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soluble in oils as were the corresponding carbomethoxy, carbo-*n*-propoxy- and carbo-*n*-butoxy compounds (Boots Pure Drug Co. Ltd., Pyman and Fasson, B.P., 381, 362 of 1932).

There are thus a number of basic bismuth salts readily soluble in oils suitable for inoculation in the treatment of syphilis.

Yours faithfully,

G. M. FINDLAY.

THE EDITORS "THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF VENEREAL DISEASES."

The Administration of Arsenic—regularity of dosage.

DEAR SIRs,

Re Col. Harrison's letter in the July number of the "B.J.V.D."

The point that I intended to make was that in the course given at the Seamen's Dispensary regularity is essential. It has been proved again and again that total dosage given in a course is of no avail if the course has been broken, and that a dose of 0.75 gm. will not make up for the absence of a 0.3 gm. dose due four days previously. From Col. Harrison's articles I had not gathered that he regarded regularity of dosage as an essential. In fact his article on the treatment of seamen published in "THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF VENEREAL DISEASES," January, 1930, would appear to refute this idea.

I am,

Yours, etc.,

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