

# Sunday, August 13

226 DAYS PAST

140 TO COME

## Diuretics in Nephritis.

W. Langdon Brown notes that caffeine, theobromine, theocin sodium acetate, and diuretin act as direct stimulants to the renal epithelium, and for this reason should not be used if this epithelium is damaged. The use of these drugs should be restricted to those cases in which the kidneys are not organically diseased. An exception is made in the case of theocin sodium acetate, which in doses of 2 grains twice a day seems to render the kidney more permeable. Digitalis should be used as a diuretic only in cases in which the heart is failing. A useful diuretic is Basham's mixture which also corrects the secondary anemia.—*Clinical Journal.*

Weather

Fine & Cool

Temp.

Last night had a big rain storm & this morning our cistern was full to the top. The alleys & corn fairly jumped up during the night. Everything looks green & lovely this morning. Got breakfast & dinner so far. Dr. Pickering was here at 9.30 to tend to Polly's neck. Didn't go to church in morning nor to Sunday School. Cooked apple sauce which was as black as a stove so had to dump it out. Cold as the island to - night. Mr Cox had on his Rubbers & Leggins  
By arach no miles at all to - day.