

From the product of this reaction the meta compound is indirectly obtained. It boils at 206–207°.

VI.

Dimethylmetatoluidine,  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{C}_7\text{H}_7 \\ \text{CH}_3 \\ \text{CH}_3 \end{array} \right\}$  N, is obtained by treating meta-

toluidine with iodide of methyl, in the presence of an alkali, and the ethereal solution yields the pure base. It boils at 206–208°.

VII.

Monomethylparatoluidine,  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{C}_7\text{H}_7 \\ \text{CH}_3 \\ \text{H} \end{array} \right\}$  N, is prepared by Thomsen's

method, or the method described by the authors for the preparation of monomethylaniline, may be followed.

VIII.

Dimethylparatoluidine,  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{C}_7\text{H}_7 \\ \text{CH}_3 \\ \text{CH}_3 \end{array} \right\}$  N, may be prepared by several

methods.

The products of oxidation of these aniline and toluidine compounds, and the coloring matters thus obtained, are discussed and arranged in tabular form.

*On the Serpentine of Venayes (Vallee d'Aoste)*, ALFONSO COSSA.—The result of the analysis is as follows :

Silica . . . . .	40.86
Phosphoric anhydride . . . . .	trace.
Magnesia . . . . .	41.37
Oxide of Iron . . . . .	4.59
“ Chromium . . . . .	0.03
“ Nickel . . . . .	0.09
Lime . . . . .	0.03
Oxide of Manganese . . . . .	trace.
Water . . . . .	13.08

*Idem, No. 4.*

*Synthesis of Uric Derivatives of the Alloxan Series*, EDOUARD GRIMAUX.—By the action of oxichloride of phosphorus upon a mixture of malonic acid and urea, malonylurea, or barbituric acid, is formed. This may be represented thus :

