

nourished, any color from that of acute coryza to a dirty gray is found. The surface is granular and the turbinals are more or less destroyed by atrophy. There is also abundant mucopus and crusts in atrophic rhinitis, while in functional collapse almost no secretion is present. Authors generally think that vascular collapse very rarely ends in atrophic rhinitis. The diagnosis is important because the collapse is curable by proper means, it being only of temporary character, while the treatment of the atrophic disease is discouraging.

As to treatment of atrophic rhinitis, the two main indications are local cleansing and stimulation. In children little can be done because they will not as a rule submit to treatment. Alkaline solutions are best to use, and they should be used both before and after a spray of peroxide of hydrogen. Oils should be used sparingly. Menthol improves the quality of secretion and lessens the quantity. The solution should be as strong as the patient can endure, beginning with weaker solutions. Formaldehyde is an ideal remedy for this disease—one part to 5000, and weaker or stronger may be sprayed after the saline spray. Borolyptol is a good form of this drug, and can be diluted 10 to 15 times. Ichthyol in the form of Keroline-Ichthyol 2 and 5 per cent. solutions is advocated, and I can testify to its benefit. The antitoxine treatment formerly advocated has been abandoned. As one-fifth of the subjects of this disease are in ill health, some constitutional treatment is essential. Any existing dyscrasia has to be specially regarded. Change of climate to suit any defect in constitution is called for where it can be done. Iron, arsenic, iodine, cod liver oil, is often needed, and even inunction of oils has given good results. Mechanical means, such as tampons, plugs and bougies, are often useful to stimulate the shrunken glands to secretion. Curetting the diseased membrane has been advocated and the various forms of electricity often are useful. Vibratory massage is thought by some to deserve a leading place amongst remedies, but this demands prolonged applications, and most patients cannot devote as much time as is required for good results. In this connection prevention is dwelt upon as being worth everything, and the care of nasal diseases promptly when they