

tered than ammonia carbonate, though the latter is no doubt otherwise fully as effective.

Carbolic and alkaline washes and gargles are very useful in patients who have age and sense to use them, and the same may be said of atomizing. All detached portions of exudation should be carefully removed. Forceps and scissors are often required for this work. The terrible fœtor arising from these when decomposed is greatly modified by their removal.

It is always prudent to give two or three doses of quinine every twenty-four hours. For many years I have been very careful about the use of cathartics, since the disease often progresses with double violence after active cathartics. I use only the mildest laxatives. Patients must be constantly and preserveringly sustained. Since great difficulty exists in the alimentation of children, concentrated food should be the main reliance. Egg, pure milk, essence and extracts of beef, and the malt preparations, are very good. Malted milk is an excellent and convenient preparation.

Powerful emetics in diphtheritic croup, like copper sulphate, tartar emetic, etc., I have discarded since no permanent good results from their use. My treatment is confined, when emetics are employed at all, entirely to fluid extract of ipecac, the careful and judicious use of which affords great comfort and relief. Mucous collections which gather in the throat are thus dislodged and thrown out which cannot be expelled in any other way, while but little exhaustion follows the action of ipecac.

As convalescence advances, nothing is so useful in bringing back the lost powers of the system as the syrup of iron iodide given in doses of from four to twenty drops in simple syrup three or four times daily. It is an admirable remedy.

The various forms of paralysis consequent on diphtheria are pretty sure to pass away in a few weeks, or at most two or three months. For these cases iron and strychnia with electricity are the only necessary remedies.

Do cases of true diphtheritic croup ever recover? I answer yes; three, and three only, of my patients in such cases have recovered, the last of which was a few weeks ago; all have been