

# DIPHTHERIA.

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Diphtheria may be met with any where, but it is a matter of experience that it exists, often in a most malignant form, in houses badly built and badly kept, in those in which fresh air and sunlight do not have free access, in those with damp cellars and defective drainage. Diphtheria also prevails in localities where the water supply is unwholesome.

## DIPHTHERIA IS AN INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

It is a well established fact that diphtheria is catching, that is to say, a patient suffering from it can communicate disease to a healthy person, either by contact with the emanations or discharges of the patient or by the inhalation of infected