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The Antitoxin Treatment in Diphtheria, With a Report of Four Cases.

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THE treatment of Diphtheria with Anti-Diphtheritic Serum has during the past four years become so wide-spread that the mention of the disease suggests the remedy to be applied, and a testimony to its efficiency in combatting this dread disease seems as little called for as an argument on the value of food in sustaining bodily vigor, were it not for the fact that one occasionally meets with practitioners even yet who refuse to make use of this "specific" in the treatment of so formidable a malady. One has only to discover a case of Diphtheria in the community to learn the extent of the fear and anxiety that at once fills the minds of the people who know but too well its extreme virulence and fatality. We are glad to think that in the treatment of this disease with Anti-Diphtheritic Serum the death rate is very materially lowered and the people have a great protection in its use.

Besides being an additional testimony to the efficiency and value of the Antitoxin treatment, there are several points connected with the