

MEASLES with unconsciousness, delirium, carpalgia, involuntary evacuations, etc., was markedly improved by an injection of 10 c.c. of antistreptococcus serum.—EDGAR GILLRIE.

#### MYOCARDITIS.

Caffeine in small dose varying from day to day may be kept up for years with benefit in a great variety of chronic heart affections. It is especially indicated in weakness due to disturbance of pulmonary circulation.—LEMOINE.

#### ECLAMPSIA.

In coma introduce a stomach tube and inject a solution of chloral (gr. xlv. to lx.) directly into the stomach. If given by the rectum it is often expelled. When the mouth cannot be opened, pass through the nasal fossæ.—FOCHIER.

MORPHINE is depended upon at the Willard Parker Hospital to maintain the heart's strength in diphtheria. Small doses hypodermatically (gr.  $\frac{1}{16}$ – $\frac{1}{8}$ ) are given. Strychnine, alcohol and nitroglycerine are also employed.

#### REFLEX COUGH IN CHILDREN.

Treat the cause. Hacking night-coughs are mostly due to nasopharyngeal obstruction. Paroxysmal hacking cough in emaciated children with normal temperature is held by Warner, of London, to be due to unbalanced central nerve action.—*Pediatrics*.

#### ENTERIC FEVER WITH EXCESSIVE DIARRHŒA.

Give compound tincture of bezoin beginning with  $\mathfrak{m}$  v. in water every two hours, and double the dose if the diarrhœa does not markedly decrease within twelve hours. Besides the antiseptic there is supposed to be an antipyretic action.—J. C. POTTER.

#### TO BRING ON LABOR.

The use of the Krause sound or the Farnier balloon are means largely employed. They prepare for rather than provoke labor. The Farnier divulsor at times gives good results when the part presses upon the neck. Manual dilatation is the method of choice, for it permits of complete and rapid dilatation, and should be adopted in all cases in which it becomes necessary to terminate labor quickly.—LÉON WEIL.