

The influence of these conditions on the heart, blood vessels and the blood and its effects on the eye, ear, nose and throat are dilated on in this paper, and in support of these statements quotations are culled from the literature that has appeared on this subject during the past five years.

The writer further briefly mentions a few more of those conditions that are supposed to arise from chronic constipation with auto-intoxication, and concludes by agreeing with the trite observation of Boardman Reed that, "When we except the exanthems, malaria, syphilis, tuberculosis, and the diseases caused by traumas, by metallic poisons, and by a few other toxic agents or infections from without, practically all the remaining maladies which afflict us and cut short our lives are now directly or indirectly traceable to auto-intoxication."

DIPHTHERIA.

G. I. Cumberlege (*B. M. J.*) is in favor of the oral administration of diphtheria antitoxine. The usual dose is 2,000 units followed by another dose. He has never given more than 4,000 units at a time. He has never seen a sign of serum sickness under the oral method of administration.

CARBOLIC ACID POISONING.

A cupful of alcohol and water, four ounces each, given by the mouth and at once removed by stomach tube, is, according to Burke (*N. Y. M. J.*), the best antidote in carbolic acid poisoning. Apomorphine hypodermically if the tube cannot be used. If alcohol is not at hand, a cupful of clear whiskey, brandy, gin, rum or cider vinegar. These should be repeated every five to ten minutes from four to eight times. Then administer sodium or magnesium sulphate, one-half to a two ounce dose in cupful of water. Stimulate heart, respiration and circulation by atropine sulphate, 1-100 to 1-60 grain. Demulcents as eggs and milk as after treatment.