the effects of the absorption of the toxic elements which they produce. It is next to impossible to lay down any routine plan, and each case should be treated on general principles. The sick room should be well ventilated and lighted, a temperature of about  $70^{\circ}$  maintained and the air saturated with steam which is impregnated with some volatile antiseptic, like the following combination, viz.:

> Acid carbolic, 3i. Ol. encalypti, 3ii. Spts. of turpentine, 3iii.

SIG.—Add a tablespoonful every half hour to about a quart of water, which is kept simmering over a flame.

The throat should be kept free from debris, and I think peroxide of hydrogen diluted with listerine, which I have used myself for many years, or perhaps better still, the peroxide diluted with lime water, is the best remedy known for this purpose. An objection to the peroxide is the pain it sometimes causes and it occasionally produces fresh lesions in the healthy mucous membranes. I give you this on the authority of Dr. Dillon Brown; I have never noticed it myself. Dr. Brown says if considered necessary to use the peroxide pure, neutralize the excess of acid with an alkali. In laryngeal cases inhalation must be depended upon, and the fumes from subliming calomel are said to be most destructive to the Klebs-Lœffler bacillus. It usually takes about 10 minutes to sublime 15 grains of calomel. This treatment is believed to protect the bronchi and was first suggested by Corbin, of Brooklyn, and is said to obviate tracheotomy or intubation on many occasions. Twenty years ago, during a severe epidemic in Hull, I used sulphur as a local application by insufflation and gave internally a mixture of chlorate of potash, tincture of iron and glycerine. I had better success than with many remedies since tried. Speaking of chlorate of potash I may say of the drug that in my hands for 25 years it has proved an excellent remedy.

Dr. Coghill, of the Isle of Wight, at the International Medical Congress at Washington, read a paper on the drug and sums up its value as follows: It is useful in cases of deficient