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Toxic Amblyopia.

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THREE cases which proved to be toxic amblyopia have recently in a few weeks been referred to me, leading one to think that this affliction is of much more frequent occurrence than the authors of Ophthalmology state—a natural conclusion when due allowance is made for the additional cases which must present to specialists of larger observation and possibilities.

Toxic amblyopia when early recognized, being so very amenable to treatment, and yet when overlooked so lamentable in results, prompts me to direct the attention of the general practitioner thereto with the hope that in a simple way cases which ordinarily first come under their notice may be speedily saved from further ravages on such an important function as that of vision. When the case and cause is detected it is generally conceded by authors that whatever of sight remains, be it ever so little, can be preserved, and in the majority of cases much improved—sometimes normal vision being restored, a happy and by no means rare termination under appropriate