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EXPERIMENTAL CACHEXIA STRUMIPRIVA (THYROIDEC-
TOMICA).*

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AS a result of new methods, new facts, and an altered point of view, the face of modern medicine is being so changed as to be scarcely recognizable. Within a few years we have passed through two phases of the microbic theories of disease: one in which the microbe was thought to be directly the cause of morbid conditions; the other, and later one, in which the direct effect of the microbe is subordinated to the results consequent on the action of such products as it may originate within the organism, usually denominated toxins. But concurrently with the reign of the microbe there developed clearer views of biological, physiological, and chemical processes both in health and in disease. The metabolism of cells as such,

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