

on this subject in the *Practitioner* (London), states that he has used serum in 75 cases with decided advantage. In his cases secondary angina was not observed in a single instance. Glandular enlargements were reduced from 22.6 per cent. to 2.6 per cent., and no examples of suppuration. In one case the serum appeared to check the spread of gangrenous angina. In 300 cases treated on ordinary lines *otitis* with discharge occurred in 20 per cent., while in the cases treated with the antistreptococcic serum, it was met with in only 8 per cent. Scarlittinal rheumatism appeared in 4 per cent. as against 8 per cent. Rhinitis very seldom appeared and was mild. The serum rash was seen in two cases and was urticarial in character. The acute stage of the disease was reduced both in time and severity. There was only one death in the 75 cases treated with the serum. The patient suffered from broncho-pneumonia and was also infected with diphtheria.

The dose varies from 10 c.cm. to 40 c.cm. In severe cases never less than 20 c.cm. were given, and the dose was repeated twice or three times. In presence of marked sepsis as high as 40 c.cm. were given to quite young children, and repeated if required.

THE VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES.

Earl Grey, Governor-General of Canada, presided at the Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Victorian Order of Nurses, which was held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, Toronto, on 12th February, 1909. His Excellency was introduced by Hon. J. M. Gibson, Lieutenant-Governor, and Mayor Oliver. Earl Grey said it afforded him much pleasure to be present and assist in any way at his command so worthy an order.

Mr. D. R. Wilkie, the honorary treasurer made his report. He stated that the amount brought forward from the previous year was \$248.36, the contributions from patients was \$1,666.55, the grant from the city was \$300, and from subscribers the receipts were \$2,824.40, making a total of \$5,039.31. The disbursements for the year were \$4,793.92, leaving on hand \$245.39.

The Toronto staff of Victorian Nurses number eight. There are many demands for these nurses from outlying places, and it is thought that it may be well to locate some of the nurses in suitable districts. Attention was called to the great interest Lady Aberdeen had taken in the Order, which owed its foundation to her efforts. The amount of work done by the nurses of the Order had very much increased during the year. No less than 371 obstetrical cases had been cared for. The number of free visits amounted to 2,218, or 88 more than double