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CLINICAL NOTES ON METHODS AND NEW REMEDIES IN THE TREATMENT OF DISEASES OF THE UPPER AIR PASSAGES.

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These observations are taken from histories of cases seen in private and hospital practice during the past two years. They are intended to place briefly before the general practitioner the most approved methods and remedies which, in the special experience of the writer, have been the most satisfactory in the treatment of the affections under consideration. The results from other remedial measures have been carefully compared and tested, so that, only those drugs which were found to possess superior value are mentioned.

New drugs employed:—Camphoric Acid, Mono—and Para—chlorophenol, Pyrozone, Lysol, Tannigen, Argentamin, Thiol, Guaiacol, Alumnol, Aluminum Aceto-tartrate, Ichthyol, Creasote carbonate, Tartarlithine, Cocaine saccharinate, Antipyrin, Benzoinol, Ferropyrin, Iodic acid and

Ethyl Bromide.

Of these, Tannigen, Lysol, Iodic acid and Thiol, did not prove to be of special service. The other drugs are worthy of distinct recognition and will be considered under the diseases which were most relieved by them.

For brevity and clearness the subject may be considered under the following divisions. 1st, Nose and Accessory Sinuses. 2nd, Pharynx. 3rd, Larynx and Trachea.

1. Disease of the Nose and Accessory Sinuses.

The methods used in the treatment were douches, sprays, applications, operative measures and semi-fluid preparations. The latter are formed by the combination of 3 parts benzoinol and 1 part oxide of zinc ointment, well rubbed together and forming a white creamy base, to which may be added any remedy that the nature of the case indicates. This oily base will be spoken of as oleum hydrocarbon co. whenever its employment is recommended.

(a) Acute rhinitis or influenza. Without doubt this is one of the most frequent nasal affections to claim our attention and often with indifferent success. To be of any marked service the treatment must be commenced within twenty-four hours of the onset of the symptoms; and internal