

cured by relief of co-existent nasal affection, but probably in these instances some antecedent epileptic proclivities were aggravated by nasal irritation which acted as a prominent exciting cause. Megrin, supra-orbital neuralgia, diffuse headache, œdematous conditions of nose and conjunctiva are said by Hack to be almost invariably nasal in origin, and can be cured by galvano-caustic applications to the turbinated bodies. These views are supported by many other authorities. Stammering and stuttering frequently result reflexly from irritation in the nose and naso-pharynx. Neuroses of the pharynx are divided into impairment of the sensory and of the motor functions. As regards sensation, we get conditions of anæsthesia, hyperæsthesia, paræsthesia and neuralgia. Pharyngeal anæsthesia is a sign of progressive bulbar disease. It is often caused by diphtheritic paralysis, and is sometimes found in insane patients who have no paralysis elsewhere. Loss of sensation here generally means the same condition in larynx, velum, and surrounding structures. Galvanism to throat and nerve tonics are about all you can expect benefit from.

Hyperæsthesia of pharynx is a common neurosis in this region. The points of greatest sensitiveness are arch of palate and vault of pharynx. Cocaine and resorcin spray will probably overcome what would otherwise prevent laryngoscopic examination. Any existing chronic inflammation or diathesis calls for treatment according to indications. Paræsthesia of pharynx most frequently results from hysteria, and often follows removal of foreign body. The sensations are those of a hair, fishbone or grape-seed tickling the throat. It is also a common sign of subacute and follicular pharyngitis. If caused by a foreign body the sensation disappears usually in a few days after its removal. It is a common occurrence to have people tell you after removal of an offending substance that it is still there owing to the peripheral nerves continuing to convey the sensation. On subsidence of inflammation the paræsthesia disappears, but this does not always happen at once, so to produce a good moral effect exhibit the offending article if possible. Remember that in some cases this disordered sensation will remain for months or years, or recur at intervals, when the cure will be difficult. Treatment consists in allay-