unprogressive or retrograding wounds, and I can warmly commend the method in cases under suspicion—the effort being rather to secure the benefit without reaction than to get confirmation of the diagnosis. Most of the testimony has been against the usual clinical value of opsonic determination, the difficulties of unexceptionable tests limiting the opsonic method to experts with abundant time, while the temperature and other indications usually suffice. Yet in mixed cases the opsonic test may be of great value in selecting the organism from which most value can be expected and also in warning against inoculation at the very time when spontaneous auto-inoculation may have caused a marked negative phase. In the mixed cases, however, combined vaccines are generally indicated.

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Can Stammering be Treated Successfully Through the Agency of the Public Schools? E. L. KENYON, *Jour. A. M. A.*, June 4, 1910.

E. L. KENYON thinks that stammering can be corrected to a large extent in the public schools, though he admits some dubiousness of the problem. Much will have to be learned by experience. A great advantage would be derived from the fact that the disease could be taken in its beginnings, and even in its earliest beginnings, with proper enlightenment of parents. It would also be a more universal treatment than any other when fully carried out. He thinks the wisest plan, however, would be to concentrate the efforts in the beginning to a relatively small number of cases and advance the work only in the light of painstaking trial and experience. The long-continued training would also be of great advantage. Segregation of the individuals would be advisable into classes composed wholly of stammerers. He suggests that the plan of treating stammerers by the schools be put forward first, not as a universal proposal, but as a special opportunity to be taken advantage of by the parents if they wish. Then let centralized schools be chosen for carrying on the work in the best and most economical way, looking forward to a time when with proved success all stammerers could be provided for.