

APO MORPHIA.—Dr. George H. Peddle in the *New York State Journal of Medicine* describes some experiences in the use of apomorphia. He gave from 1/10 to 1/20 of a grain in cases of nervous excitability following alcoholic excesses. In each case its use was followed by refreshing sleep. He also used it in cases of alarming clonic and tonic spasmodic seizures in hysterical contortions and fits, with satisfactory results in relieving the conditions. It relieved the convulsions following poisoning by oil of tansy and even relaxed rigidity of the muscles in a case of tetanus. He suggests its use in hydrophobia.

DIPHTHERIA ANTITOXIN EFFECTIVE IN SCARLATINA.—Lopez in *American Medicine* states that in his experience early curative doses of diphtheria antitoxin administered in scarlatina abort the disease, curtail suffering and lessen the risk to the patient, one dose of 2,000 units being sufficient in the average case of sore throat due to bacterial infection to effect a speedy cure. He also finds the serum equally effective in all anginas, be they scarlatina, tonsillitis, quinsy, etc., through neutralizing the toxins and reducing the fever and local congestion which contribute to the patient's suffering and the element of danger. There are no contraindications. Lopez says that it should be remembered that the largest quantities of serum the most severe cases may require, from 20,000 to 100,000 units, are not depressing to the heart, are not attended with any bad results or sequelæ and are without a single element of danger.

SIMPLE BANDAGE FOR FRACTURED CLAVICLE.—The bandage employed by Colomb and recommended by him in the *New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal*, is made from one piece of stout cloth, three yards long for a child and from two and one-half to three inches wide. Enough of the bandage is folded over at one end to extend the full length of the forearm. This is sewed along the bottom, the lapel end and greater portion of the top, leaving an opening into which the hand and arm can be passed easily. Once the arm is inside the sleeve, a safety-pin closes the opening more snugly around the arm, so as to prevent its removal. A few safety-pins where the folds cross make the bandage secure.

ACTION OF TEA AS A BEVERAGE.—Dr. Lauder Brunton, in the *Practitioner* (London) says: Tea may interfere with nutrition in three ways. By lessening the feeling of hunger, by rendering food less