

### THERAPEUTICS.

**Voelker, A. F.**—*The Treatment of Diphtheria, with special reference to the Dosage of Antitoxin.* "Clinical Journal," October 12, 1904.

The author summarises his conclusions as to the use of antitoxin as follows: (1) It should be used in every case of diphtheria, whether mild or severe; (2) in cases of faucial diphtheria use 3000 units; (3) in cases of nasal diphtheria use 6000 to 9000 units at once; in laryngeal diphtheria use 6000 units, and repeat the dose in twenty-four hours if the symptoms of obstruction are not diminishing; (4) when symptoms call for intubation or tracheotomy use 6000 units at once and repeat the dose within twenty-four hours if there is not a distinct improvement in the patient's condition; (5) in cases of faucial diphtheria if the membrane does not show signs of separating after twenty-four hours, repeat the injection; (6) the injection should be made with antiseptic precautions into the subcutaneous tissues of the abdominal wall.

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### THERAPEUTIC PREPARATIONS.

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