ARNHEIM had only seen the changes in the peripheral nerves.

KATZ, in reply, maintained the exclusively central origin of diphtheritic paralysis, and insisted on the pathological character of the changes in the ganglia and nerves in his specimens. *Arthur J. Hutchison.*

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WALKER DOWNIE read a paper on the *Use of Antitoxin in the Treatment of Diphtheria*, urging its more general and early use.

With regard to the use of serum, the chief points referred to were: (1st) the serum must be fresh; (2nd) valuable time should not be lost by waiting for a bacteriological diagnosis—if the clinical diagnosis is "diphtheria," antitoxin should be used at once; (3rd) the first injection in an average case should contain not less than five hundred units of immunization, while double that dose may be given in severe cases; (4th) unless decided improvement is manifest in twenty-four hours, the injection should be repeated, and may, if necessary, be again repeated after the lapse of forty-eight hours from time of first injection.

Dr. D. had had eight cases to which he had been called with the express purpose of opening the trachea, but in which he had given antitoxin instead. "Each of these eight cases recovered without operation." He had also had cases which, after he had performed tracheotomy or intubation, and had used antitoxin, had died; but in them the disease had existed for some time, and toxæmia was advanced.

WALKER DOWNIE showed *Tonsils from a Case of so-called Mycosis Tonsillaris Benigna*—really a case of what Siebenmann calls hyperkeratosis lacunaris. He had seen five other similar cases.

Arthur J. Hutchison.

CONGRESS OF WEST GERMAN LARYNGOLOGISTS AND OTOLOGISTS.

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IN January of this year a meeting of some of the laryngologists of Rheinland and Westphalia was held, at which Hopmann, of Cologne, read a paper on ozœna, and Löwenstein, of Elberfeld, showed a case of prolapse of the sinus of Morgagni. Thereafter, by invitation of the existing committee, a well-attended meeting was held in Cologne, for the purpose of starting a new association. This new association is to be called "Vereinigung Westdeutscher Hals- und Ohrenärzte"; is to meet twice a year in Cologne, or some other town of Rheinland or Westphalia.

Hopmann (Cologne) was chosen President; Keller (Cologne), Vice-President; Reinhard (Duisberg), Treasurer; and Moses (Cologne),

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