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It has for many years been the aim of this *Journal* to stress the clinical side of Otolaryngology and it is with regret that the Editors find that there is a great lack of papers or notes describing unusual cases, symptoms, complications, etc. It is, of course, true that many such cases are brought before meetings of our specialty in various parts of the country from time to time, but there must be many cases of great importance and interest from one point of view or another which are not presented or, indeed, are not able to be presented at meetings.

In order that this *Journal* shall present a satisfactory and representative record of current work, the Editors would urge Laryngologists and Otolologists to submit more clinical notes of cases—not necessarily only those which might be classed as rare—from which valuable lessons could be learnt either with regard to methods of investigation or of diagnosis and treatment.

They would welcome such clinical records and in this connection would point out that it is by no means necessary that these accounts should be accompanied by a lengthy commentary, although, of course, this is most valuable in some instances. It is more important that there should be a clear abstract of the notes of the case, with details of the history, diagnosis, treatment, progress and results.

The Editors, therefore, look forward confidently to a response to this appeal and trust that the suggestion will tempt the younger members of the specialty, in particular, to begin their contribution to these records.

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