II. MOUTH AND NASO-PHARYNX.

Indications for and Method of Operating upon the Middle Turbinate Bone—JOHN P. DAVIDSON—*Va. Med. Semi-Monthly*, March 9, 1900.

The indications which cause a demand for operative procedures upon the middle turbinated bone are as follows:

1. For a large and well-defined class of cases suffering from nasal obstruction.
2. To remove an etiological factor preparatory to and for the further treatment of nasopharyngitis, and chronic laryngitis.
3. For the relief obtained in certain cases of chronic catarrhal otitis media.
4. For the beneficial effects procured in cases suffering from reflex nervous symptoms, either accompanied or unaccompanied by asthma or hay fever.

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III. ACCESSORY SINUSES.

Foreign Bodies in the Maxillary Sinuses with Report of a Case—R. J. WENNER, Cleveland—*Cleveland Journal of Medicine*, March, 1900.

The author's case is one of empyema of the left maxillary sinus, perforating the floor of the orbit, allowing pus to accumulate posterior to the eye ball. Pus was also found on autopsy below both lobes of the cerebellum. The floor of the antrum was found necrotic, and a growth the size of a small walnut, involving the hard palate, was reported to be a giant-celled sarcoma. On opening the antrum the curettage brought away a small tooth; another being removed at one of the subsequent dressings.

In response to a circular letter the author received the report of 3,409 cases of antral empyema, of which number less than one per cent were directly due to some foreign body. In fourteen cases teeth were found in the antrum.

STEIN.

Treatment of Empyema of the Frontal Sinus—WINCKLER—*Münchener Medical Wochenschr.*, January 16, 1900.

This paper is written as a protest against adopting any one method of operating in all cases of empyema.

Kuhnt's method, which the author thinks most in vogue, he charges with being connected with too great facial deformity. Under certain circumstances it may be resorted to, but unless there is some special indication for it, we ought to make use of one of the osteoplastic methods like Czerny's or Küster's.

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