pubes covered with a thick crop of dark-brown hair, presenting the appearance of a youth of seventeen or eighteen; hair is also commencing to grow on his upper lip. His height is about four feet nine inches, and he is big and muscular in proportion. His voice, for more than a year, has been gruff and hoarse, as that of puberty, and he has had hair on the pubes since he was three years of age. He was so wild and mischievous that the magistrates placed him in an industrial school. He has now been committed for five years. He took away a tradesman's cart, upset it on the roadside, cut the harness into pieces, and galloped the horse about till he was tired of the fun, and then let it go. His clothes were taken away from him, and he was put to bed, to keep him from further mischief. He, however, managed to find his grandfather's best black trousers, cut off the bottoms, so that they might fit him, and escaped through the window. One day recently he found some pigs straying, and drove them some miles to a butcher, and tried to sell them; failing to do so, he gave them away to some one he met. It required three policemen to take him to the workhouse (to which he was sent until arrangements could be made for his removal to the industrial school), and when they had carried him there, face downward, as they were compelled to do he smashed a bedstead into atoms, kicked the plaster off the walls, cursed and swore in a most fearful manner, and had to be removed to the police-station for safety. He was not a large baby at birth, but grew rapidly after twelve months. He commenced to cut his permanent teeth between four and five years of age. His father is in a lunatic asylum, a melancholiac. This is one of those "queer children of insane parentage" whom Dr. J. P. Gray has never encountered, although Drs. Godding, Nichols, Hughes, and every American and European alienist of repute have.

PSYCHICAL SYMPTOMS AND EAR-DISEASE.—Fürstner (*Berliner klinische Wochenschrift*, No. 18, 1883) describes cases in which ento-ic sounds due to anæmia produced a sharp melancholia. The patients' anæmia was cured; the sounds disappeared, and then their psychosis vanished. In other causes aural disease furnished support for insane ideas. In another class of cases periods of excitement accompanied middle-ear suppuration. In one case a profuse hyoid aural discharge brought a melancholia to an end.

SIALORRHEA IN THE INSANE is often a very disagreeable complication. Among the measures prescribed for its relief is atropine. Dr. E. Duiat (*Giornale Internazionale de Science Med.*, July, 1883) has had very good results from the hypodermic use of one to three milligrammes of atropine.

FAMILY COLONIES FOR THE INSANE have been found of most benefit in the case of incurable cases. Helweg (*Hospitals Tidende*,