AN ADENOID CURETTE.

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The possibility of an adenoid mass being drawn downward into the larynx after being detached by the curette had long been considered by the writer, but the accident never occurred until after the curette shown in the cut had been designed and used for some time. Then, strange to say, while temporarily compelled to use the regular Gottstein curette, the very accident so often considered occurred, necessitating prompt measures to prevent asphyxia. The spring, attached so as to stand about three millimeters away

Dr. Chevalier Jackson's Adenoid Curette.

from the cutting edge, has never failed to entangle the detached adenoid when in a single mass of large size. After removal of such a mass, a small curette, on which no spring is necessary, may be used to clean off small masses. Usually the finger nail is better than the small curette, and may be relied upon to do a more thorough cleaning. We have, however, such high authority as Randall opposed to thorough removal of every vestige as unnecessary if not safely impossible.