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HEAD AND NECK.

I. Perforation of the Eyeball by the Knot of a Whip. By H. P. DUNN, F. R. C. S., (London.) P. C., an attendant at the Paris Hippodrome, received a severe blow on the left eye causing an inverted jagged wound of the globe, on the inner side at the corneo-scleral junction. This was found to be due to the penetration and lodgment of the knot end of a whip. Panophthalmitis set in almost immediately but the patient would not consent to enucleation until the second day. Enucleation was then performed, the after-treatment was strictly antiseptic and the case ran a perfectly normal course. No meningitis occurred. On dissection of the extirpated eye, the knot end of the whip was found embedded in the vitreous.—*Illustrated Medical News*, Nov., 1888.

J. ANDERSON SMITH (London.)

II. Fifty Excisions of Goitre. By DR. D. G. ZESAS (Berne.) These statistics are compiled from the material offered by the clinic of Dr. Niehaus of Bern. Of the fifty cases there were 27 females. Most of the cases occurred in females ranging from 10 to 40 years of age. There was only one fatal cases as a result of operation. There were no severe complications or injuries of nerves recorded. The typical symptoms of myxœdema, cachexia, etc., appeared in 3 cases, 32, 19, 55 years of age respectively, all female. There is nothing brought to light by these cases not already discussed in the literature. In some cases the isolated symptoms of cachexia appeared but after 3 or 4 months the patients for some unknown causes began to improve—have had no return of threatening phenomena. The method used in all cases was that of Socin. This was followed not only in cystic but also