

was removed as probably acting as an irritant, with a result that for two weeks more he did well, when suddenly all the old symptoms recurred with redoubled force, the boy rapidly becoming a mere skeleton.

The cerebellum was now opened a little further back, and pus found at once, the cavity was washed out, and two decalcified bone tubes left in. The boy now rapidly and completely recovered, but, oddly, developed now a transient optic neuritis.

The author alludes to the paper on cerebellar abscess by Ackland and Ballance (for abstract, *see* JOURNAL OF LARYNGOLOGY). [The occurrence of vomiting after opening of the cranial cavity, and also after incision of the dura, is especially noteworthy.—ED.] R. Laks.

Zwaardemaker, H. (Utrecht).—*Acoustic Railway Signals and Acuteness of Hearing.* "Arch. of Otol.," Oct., 1896.

THE writer points out that as railway drivers get older—and more experienced—their hearing power for the upper tones of the scale becomes defective. Hence the sound of a mouth or steam whistle, when forcibly blown so as to accentuate the over-tones, may not be heard. A signal horn tuned to a *d'orchestre* is more likely to be heard. As a minimum, employé's on railway duty should have hearing for whispered speech at one mètre. When engaged they should have normal hearing, or nearly so. At intervals of from two to five years they should be retested with a continuous series of tones. Dundas Grant.

Obituary.

CORRADO CORRADI.

WE regret to have to announce the death of Dr. CORRADO CORRADI of Verona, at the early age of thirty-seven. He had only recently gained the position of Liber Docent in the University of Turin. He had been Secretary of the Società Italiana di Laringologia from its foundation, and was a most ardent student and investigator in our speciality; many of his contributions have been referred to or abstracted in our pages. His devotion to laryngology and otology, and the success which he had already obtained, although practising in one of the smaller Italian cities, are both shown by the fact that he has bequeathed some £1200 to his special department in the Civil Hospital of Verona. StClair Thomson.

NOTICES OF SOCIETY MEETINGS.

AMERICAN LARYNGOLOGICAL SOCIETY, May 4th, 5th, and 6th, at Washington, D.C.

AMERICAN OTOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION, May 4th, 5th, and 6th, at Washington, D.C.

WESTERN OPHTHALMOLOGICAL, OTOLOGICAL, LARYNGOLOGICAL, AND RHINOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION, April 8th and 9th, St. Louis, Missouri.

BRITISH LARYNGOLOGICAL, RHINOLOGICAL, AND OTOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION, April 30th, London, England.

LONDON LARYNGOLOGICAL SOCIETY, April 14th, London, England.

CONGRESS OF AMERICAN PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS, May 4th, 5th, and 6th, at Washington, D.C.