

**Watson, William J.**—*Report of a Series of Cases of Mastoiditis, with Operations.* "Journal of Eye, Ear, and Throat Diseases," May and June, 1901.

This paper consists of short reports of fifteen cases operated on at the Presbyterian Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital, Baltimore, during the years 1898 and 1900. Those operated on in 1899 have already been recorded in the *Maryland Medical Journal*, October, 1900. The cases are shortly reported in the order in which they occurred, not classified in any way; the conditions as to hearing-power, etc., before and after operation are given in some cases but not in others. In short, the majority of the reports are too incomplete to be of much value.

One case, male, aged seventeen, with discharge from left ear off and on for fifteen years, had much pain, but no tenderness over the mastoid, and a painful fluctuating swelling in the neck. On opening the mastoid, the tip was found to be perforated, and pus extended thence down the neck. The necrosed bone was cleared away, and the neck opened almost to the clavicle. Recovery uneventful. Another case with thrombosis of the lateral sinus ended fatally. The thrombus was cleared out till the blood-stream was restored. The clot was found to contain a focus of pus. The symptoms on admission were severe pain in the head, and some tenderness over the left mastoid; temperature 102°. No optic neuritis.

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### THYROID, Etc.

**Packard and Hand.**—"American Journal of the Medical Sciences," September, 1901.

An interesting case of sporadic cretinism is reported occurring in a child of six, who manifested continuous improvement under thyroid therapy for the two years during which he remained under the author's observation. On several occasions it was necessary to diminish the dose of thyroid owing to the indications of the therapeutic limit (weakness and rapid pulse). The marked improvement brought about in the case is shown by numerous illustrations accompanying the article.

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### REVIEW.

*Atlas der Nasenkrankheiten.* Enthaltend 356 Figuren in 475 Einzelbildern, auf 38 Tafeln. Von Hofrath Dr. ROBERT KRIEG. Lieferungen fünfte, sechste und siebente. Mit Deutschem und Englischem Texte by ALPHONSE ROMAN, Med. Kiel., M.R.C.S. Eng., L.R.C.P. Lond. Stuttgart: Ferd. Enke; Glasgow: F. Bandmeister. Price 6s. per Lieferung. 1901.

The three last parts of Dr. Krieg's already well-known atlas are chiefly devoted to those nasal and naso-pharyngeal conditions due to the ravages of syphilis and tuberculosis, and, as such, need but little comment, though the rare conditions depicted are of most value in a