

was followed by the opening of the frontal sinus and the removal of the anterior wall with thorough curettage of the cavity and breaking down of all the anterior and posterior ethmoidal cells, gauze could be carried down into the nose and the external wound closed. Packing could be removed in thirty-six or forty-eight hours. He himself had not observed any great tendency to contraction of the drainage channel.

Dr. J. H. BRYAN believed that there was a very great tendency to closure of the channel between the frontal sinus and the nose.

Dr. T. P. BERENS, of New York, said that the whole proposition could be expressed in the statement that the success of any operation upon the frontal sinus depended upon complete drainage, and this could be secured only by complete removal of the anterior ethmoidal cells.

Dr. L. A. COFFIN referred to a case of large retention cyst causing exophthalmos. On opening the anterior ethmoid cells by resection of the frontal process of the superior maxillary bone he found a cavity as large as an English walnut, the contents of which were sponged out in one gelatinous mass. The orbital wall was necrotic and the cavity connected with the orbit. As to drainage-tubes, they were unnecessary in the Killian operation. He had been called upon to do a secondary operation but once, and that was owing to the overlooking, in the primary intervention, of a very narrow supra-orbital recess.

(To be continued.)

Abstracts.

NASO-PHARYNX.

Clark, J. P.—*Anomalous Folds in the Naso-pharynx*. "Boston Med. and Surg. Journ.," April 2, 1908.

Two very interesting cases detailed in which symmetrical folds passing from the Eustachian cushion to the vault of the pharynx were found, one in a boy, aged ten, one in a man, aged twenty-one. Clark considers them to be of developmental origin. *Macleod Yearsley*.

LARYNX.

Delacour (Paris).—*The Local Treatment of Laryngeal Tuberculosis with Mono-iodised Guaiacol*. "Revue Hebdomadaire de Laryngologie, d'Otologie et de Rhinologie," January 11, 1908.

Mono-iodised guaiacol is a chemical body recently discovered. The