

consideration his subjective symptoms, is that a sufficient guide to justify an exploration? If the symptoms are such as not to endanger the man's life, certainly I should say let him alone, because if the missile is anywhere near the place he describes as being the seat of pain, it is not a good situation to apply a trephine. It is just to the left of the large sinus, and would probably necessitate the involvement of this sinus to extricate the bullet. But in view of the fact that trephining under aseptic precautions is, practically, a harmless procedure, it seems to me it would be justifiable, with a full explanation of the case to the patient, the doubtful character of the operation as far as giving relief is concerned, to make an exploration to the left of the point where he locates the pain, and by gentle manipulation to determine if the missile can be located, and attempt to remove it if possible. I believe the

bullet is not far from the point where he locates the sensitiveness, as the evidence shows that it has passed through the arm centre, which is not a favorable place to trephine, and we recognize the very doubtful utility of trephining under such symptoms as mere sensitiveness of the head without any localized manifestations.

There are arguments for and against an operation, but if the man persists in getting up while suffering from these attacks, and going about the country, it seems to me his life is endangered by such a course more than it would be by an exploration in the manner I have mentioned.

Dr. H. H. Grant: I would be disposed to think twice, and study this case very thoroughly before attempting any operative interference. In the first place, I do not believe an exploration would be justifiable. It occurs to me that to trephine and search for the bullet would be entirely

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