

is usually severe and prolonged, unless dealt with unflinchingly, as it ought to be in such painful circumstances. The ample use of morphine, usually most effective by subcutaneous injection, should be adopted, so that although unable in any way to check the progress of the malady we may at least mitigate the most terrible accompaniment of its distressing and inevitable course.—(*British Medical Journal.*)

### **Aneurysm first recognized in Fundus of the Ear, later appearing in the Neck.**

—This interesting case was reported at the last meeting of the American Otological Society (July 15th) by Dr. Chas. A. Todd of St. Louis. Mr. C—, aged 45, came under observation complaining of pain in the left ear and symptoms suggesting furunculus. In 1858 he had had severe otitis media in both ears for one week, followed by discharge, which ceased without treatment. Some deafness has existed since. For the past seven or eight years he had noticed a pulsating sound, at first in both ears, now in the left. On examination of the left ear there was seen a circumscribed swelling on the floor of the meatus, just in front of the membrana and entirely concealing it. It was soft and fluctuating. Filling the ear with water, a distinct intra-aural pulsation could be seen. The swelling was lanced under the supposition that it was furuncle. There was a free gush of blood, and three ounces were lost before the flow could be stopped by tamponing. No pus whatever was seen. The tampon could not be permanently removed for several days. Compression by tampon was advised to be continued at home. August, 1880, it was learned that compression had afforded little benefit. Ligation of common carotid was suggested if symptoms were considered sufficiently severe. March, 1883, patient was again seen. Electrolysis had been tried with asserted diminution in size. March, 1890, the aural tumor was still present, but in addition there was a large aneurismal swelling of the neck below the ear. The patient was then referred to a general surgeon, and has not since been heard from.—*N. Y. Med. Record.*