

neal wound. As it was being withdrawn, the capsule burst, and a creamy fluid escaped; a flattened amber nucleus, about a line and a half in diameter, hung in the section, and was lifted out with the cuvette. The corneal flap having been adjusted, the common bandages were applied, and the patient sent to bed.

"Examined with the microscope, the disk-shaped nucleus presented the ordinary fibrous appearance of lens. It was enveloped by the collapsed capsule, which was transparent, or nearly so, among the folds of which were entangled some oil-globules, granular matter, and broken fragments of lens-fibres.

"14th.—The eye being inspected, the cornea was found clear, and the section united. The pupil was very large, and its margin had dropped backwards, as always happens after a large escape of vitreous humour. The patient had scarcely any perception of light, and this may have arisen from rupture of some vessels of the choroid or retina, consequent upon the sudden escape of so large a portion of the contents of the globe. The patient remained quite free from pain, and left the hospital on the 8th of July, with the eye in the following state:—The cornea clear; the pupil large and immovable; the sclerotic and conjunctiva free from unnatural vascularity; vision limited to mere perception of light. The woman was, however, quite satisfied at having been freed from pain, and restored to the free use of her right eye at the expense of the other, which, as I have stated, had been useless during the greater part of her life."