

examined, it was found that where a covering had not yet formed, union had taken place. Fortunately, however, a sufficient cavity had been secured to allow the jaw to be opened rather more than an inch. During the past fortnight the mobility has somewhat increased. The *result* now is a complete removal of external deformity, the mouth being no longer turned to one side, and the cheek presenting a natural appearance. The patient can eat with comfort; and, what she prizes very highly, can clean her teeth within the mouth, a luxury to her before unknown. Also, she can speak far more fluently.

Belleville, 14th April, 1865.

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## REVIEWS AND NOTICES OF BOOKS.

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*Answers to the Various Objections against Acupressure, or the Temporary Metallic Compression of Arteries*, adduced by Professors Miller, Erichsen, Neudörfer, Spence, Fergusson, and Syme. From Dr. Simpson's work on Acupressure, pamphlet pp. 34, from the author.

We have to thank Professor Simpson, Edinburgh, for a copy of this reprint from his work on acupressure. In his prefatory note he says:

"The following two chapters were originally written in answer to the chief objections urged against acupressure by various surgical authorities. They are reprinted in the present form merely in self-defence against the reiteration of some of these objections. I have retained the enumeration of the chapters and cases, the references to pages, etc., as they exist in my volume on acupressure; and have only altered a few of the paragraphs, and added two or three footnotes, to fulfil better the objects of this reprint."

This, we believe, is the objectionable pamphlet which led to the undignified conduct of Professor Syme in his class-room on a recent occasion. It is to be regretted that a man of such acknowledged surgical skill as is Mr. Syme, and who occupies such a prominent and eminent position in his profession at the Scottish capital, should have so far forgotten what was due to himself as a gentleman.

Mr. Syme is certainly handled without gloves, and may probably, with justice, have felt somewhat irritated at being compared to the ancient surgeon Gourmelen, who so factiously opposed the introduction of the then novel method of ligation by Paré, to the exclusion of hot irons and canteries. This pamphlet is an extract from Dr. Simpson's work on