

there was a man in town with a set of teeth in his throat, and he wanted to get the particulars. She reported this to Dr. Agnew and asked what she should say. He said: "Tell him that if he doesn't go away from here promptly there will be another man in town in a few minutes with a set of teeth in his throat."

A SAD and unusual accident is reported to have occurred recently in the operating theatre of one of the London hospitals. One of the surgeons was engaged in sewing up the wound after a laparotomy, and, while in the course of doing so, he seems to have given a flourish to the needle in his hand, which penetrated one of the eyes of his assistant. The latter continued for some moments to attend his duties, but was afterward compelled, owing to the pain in his eye, to leave the side of the operating table and sit down on one of the benches in the theatre. As soon as the operation had been completed, the surgeon examined the injured eye of his assistant, and found that the lens was lying outside the organ, the sclerotic extensively torn, and the vitreous protruding.

NO "SUN-DOWN" MEDICAL STUDENTS IN NEW YORK.—The *Sun* has made a fitting answer to the following query:

"Will you, please inform me if there is a medical school in New York in which the lectures for the first year are given in the evening or any time after 3 p.m.?"

DUFFY."

The *Sun's* reply is as follows: "Duffy, you and dozens of other 'would-be doctors' think you can study medicine in a happy-go-lucky way the law-pills study law—lectures in the afternoon, office work in the morning. You must give up that idea at once. Medicine requires twenty-five hours out of twenty-four, and more on Sundays and holidays. The lectures in every medical school are given when the professors and lecturers can find time for them. They're given in the morning, and in the afternoon, and in the evening; and some of the private 'quizzes' begin at 10.30 or 11 p.m., and stop in time to get ready for breakfast, if you dress quickly. Now, Duffy, if you ask because you think medicine is a snap like these afternoon law schools, you'd better keep out of it; but if you can stand the pace, and ask simply because you're ignorant, why, go ahead, and with good health and hard work you may get your license to 'kill, kill, kill, kill, kill.'"

A NEW TREATMENT FOR CHLOROFORM SYNCOPE.—The method of treating cases of chloroform syncope resorted to in the clinique of Prof. Koenig, of Gottingen, is said to have given very good results, and as it is simple enough it may be worth trying. It consists in applying manual compression over the cardiac region some thirty or forty times a minute, another assistant compressing the thorax as a whole at regular intervals in order to facilitate respiration. The compression is claimed to have for effect to empty the right ventricle, which, in these cases, is engorged with blood, and thus to bring about a return of the circulation. Prof. Koenig's assistant, Dr. Maas, recommends pressure more frequently repeated, and at much shorter intervals, and by this means he succeeded in reviving two patients who had shown no signs of improvement.