

causing pain in the orbit if the pressure is great. He recommends a little bicarbonate of soda, or chloride of sodium in the solution to relieve pain; recommends Thiersch's solution, and hot water as hot as can be borne.

Concerning the anatomical difficulties on account of the septum which sometimes entirely divides the antrum, the doctor overcomes it, much as Alexander overcame the Gordian knot. He cuts the septum entirely away with a curette. He mentions one point in diagnosis, that of placing the finger upon the palate above the roots of the teeth. Tenderness and inflammation may be noticed there when pressure over the thicker malar bone may not be pronounced.

THE INFLUENCE OF PREGNANCY ON THE TEETH.

Under the head of the "Medical Department" we reprint an editorial on "The Influence of Pregnancy on the Teeth" from the *New York Medical Journal*. The attention which this excellent weekly frequently gives to the relation of the affections of the teeth with general diseases, and *vice versa* is only equalled, so far as our observation goes, by the *British Medical Journal*. The object of our medical department has been to interest medical men specially in those important questions; and it has been gratifying to learn from many sources that it has been much appreciated by individual practitioners.

UNAVOIDABLE DELAYS.

A lot of valuable matter, mailed as usual to the printer, has been lost in the mails. It is surprising that this occurs so seldom; but it is most provoking that it should occur at all. Everybody blames everybody else, and it is really the fault of nobody. For the future we shall register everything we send to the printer. This ought to be as safe as if we carried it personally by a special train to Toronto.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

THE grievances of overcrowding are not by any means confined to dentistry, or to Canada. The complaint is as general at home in England as it is at home in Canada. There is hardly an industrial trade that does not feel the woeful result of overcrowding. They call it over-competition, but it is one and the same thing. Young men in medicine and law, as well as in dentistry, think they are forced to use business methods, which their prede-