

his anus, and many metres of which were coiled on the floor ! Pale and frightened, she told how she had commenced to pull on it, but finally had ceased, believing that she was pulling out his intestines (*croyant à un détripaillement*, literally ‘believing that it was a *detriping*’) ! She was fooled : it was a rouleau of four tænia which finally came out, heads and all. I took them forthwith to the military hospital, and showed them, as they were, to the entire *personnel*, who will substantiate the story !”

[The doctor’s story is a tough one, and reminds the writer of a somewhat similar experience with a darkey in Arkansas some years ago. He brought to the office one day a jar wrapped in an old newspaper, and asked if I wanted to “buy a curasity ?” On being asked what it was, he took off the wrapping and I saw the biggest coil of tapeworm that up to that moment I had ever beheld. “Hits all dar,” said the darkey, “a monstrous big weyum, an’ I fotch him out whole *dis* time. Tudder one bruk all-ter-pieces, kase, I reckon, I pull too hard. *Dis* time I jes let um crawl out *heself* a little way, den I dun tuck an’ put a rock on de eend an’ jist crawl off from him on all fo’s. Gimme half a dollâr an’ call it squar !” We didn’t trade, however. F.L.J.]—*St. Louis Med. and Surg. Journal*.

—A Wolverhampton correspondent of *The Times* states that during a heavy thunderstorm recently, a collier, named Bates, who had lost his sight through an accident, was being led home, when a flash of lightning was reflected on the spectacles he was wearing to conceal his disfigurement. After a peal of thunder which followed he complained of pain in his head. The next moment, to his surprise, he found that he had regained possession of his eyesight. The occurrence has caused considerable excitement in the locality, as well it might, for such an instance is probably without parallel. It is to be hoped that the subject of this miraculous cure will be examined by an oculist, and that a full report of the case will be published.—*Hospital Gazette*.