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ARTICLE I.—*Case of Cancer of the Tongue removed by the Ecraseur.*

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Catherine Legget, aged 30, a thin but rather healthy looking woman, five months pregnant, was admitted under my care into the Montreal General Hospital on the 5th May. States that on the 1st April last she was taking a walk on the Railroad from St. Johns, after proceeding a considerable distance she became thirsty and drank water from a swampy pool on the side of the road, which had a bad sickening taste. Shortly afterwards she was seized with an inclination to vomit, which continued for about an hour and a half; she did not feel any further inconvenience till a few hours after retiring to bed when she was affected with pain in the tongue, accompanied by a very small hard swelling beneath the tip on right side, the following morning she noticed a slight abrasion to the inner side of the tumor. From the moment she perceived the swelling she suffered greatly from a sharp lancinating pain, very troublesome by day, and still more severe by night so that she lost her rest, and was obliged to walk about her room for hours. For the first few days she could not swallow food as usual, and at the end of a fortnight the tumor had increased to such a size that she could with difficulty swallow liquids, the pain at this period was very excruciating, not confined to the part affected, but shooting back to the base of the tongue, and into the throat; touching or moving the tongue caused pain, and speaking had the same