

Case 9.—R. P., 56 years. Seen October 11, 1901, in consultation. Earache and pain on pressure over antrum. Advised free incision of drum and ice locally. Some improvement for a time, then got worse. Operation October 14, 1901, at which I assisted. This was type of sclerosed mastoid, and made operation difficult. Antrum contained much pus. Wound healed in about two months.

Case 10.—W. D. 37 yrs. the same patient as case 7. Seen June 14 1902 for ear-ache following use of salt water snuffed up nose, prescribed by some kind neighbour for nasal catarrh. Advised hot irrigation of canal, as congestion of drum did not look severe. Next day ear was discharging, pain gone, June 28/02 the pain returned and some pain in, and tenderness on pressure over antrum. Discharge from ear still free. Ordered ice locally. Operation June 30/02, some swelling over mastoid and much tenderness on pressure. Found antrum full of pus. Wound healed in six weeks.

Case 11.—W. A., 42 yrs. Seen January 12/03. Had been sick with lagrippe, and on improving had ear-ache, which steadily got worse. Found pain in and tenderness on pressure over antrum. No discharge from canal, but marked bulging of drum. Incised drum freely under nitrous oxide anaesthesia. Ordered ice locally. Immediate improvement. [Discharge from ear ceased completely in ten days.

Case 12.—G. H. 8 yrs. Had occasional attacks of ear-ache and discharge from the ear for several years. Had adenoids and tonsils removed about December 15/01. Had another attack of ear-ache about a week later, and early in January was seen by Dr. Hallett, of Weymouth, who found a large fluctuating swelling behind the ear. This he opened and much relief was experienced. Operation January 19/03. Found sinus behind ear and free discharge. Had to expose sinus for 3/8 inch, since it was covered by granulations. Wound healed in two months.

Case 13.—A. P. 19 yrs. Seen January 31/03. He had a severe attack of lagrippe and ear-ache. Was discharging freely. Had pain behind the ear, but little tenderness on pressure. Canal conditions usual to O. M. P. A. Ordered ice locally. Well in a week. Possibly not mastoiditis.

Case 14.—D. W. 4 yrs. Seen March 7/03. Had been in house with a cold for a week. Seen by her physician first on March 5/03. Had had ear-ache for five days and on that day there was some dis-