

**A CASE OF FOREIGN BODY IN THE ORBIT, WITH REMARKS BY R. A. REEVE, B.A., M.D.**

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**History\*.** Mr. M. a vigorous young man, employed in a saw mill, applied for treatment, May 31st, 1869, with the following history. Five weeks previously (April 26) when at work, a piece of edging shot up like an arrow from the circular saw, a few feet distant, and cut his right eye. The blow did not render him unconscious or knock him down, but it disabled him. There was sawdust on the wound, which was in the upper eyelid, but no sign externally of the presence of a splinter in the socket. The patient experienced severe pain in the part, and applied cold water to it for several days. The lids did not become discolored, and were only moderately swollen. Five days after the accident he consulted a physician, who said there was no wood in the socket, and gave him a liniment. A fortnight after the injury he resumed his work, and in two days had to discontinue it; and the pain continuing severe and unabated, he consulted a second medical man, who removed some sawdust from the wound, said there was no more in the eye, and gave him eye-drops. The pain still persisting, he saw the doctor again, when he lanced the lining membrane of the eyelids, which was red and swollen, and ordered a blister to the temple. This partially relieved the pain, but he was unable to return to the mill for nearly a fortnight. On May 29, having worked only two days, he was forced to desist by a pain in the brow and an extreme headache, which on the day prior to his visiting the city became so intense as to render him faint. He said that the wound had been probed twice, and that it discharged but little at any time, though it did not heal up as readily as would an ordinary cut. His sight was impaired during the first fortnight, and when he looked to the right he saw double, and had a prickling pain in the eye.

An examination revealed partial ptosis of the right lid, which was rather prominent, and presented in its outer half, midway

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