



STRICTURE OF THE ESOPHAGUS.

The opaque food is arrested at the level of the top of the arch of the aorta, forming a triangular shadow from the apex downwards. From the lowest point the food trickles through the stricture in a stream so narrow that its shadow had to be slightly accentuated on the original plate so as to remain visible in this reproduction. Note how the esophagus is dilated above the stricture, from repeated efforts to force the food through the obstruction.