

been insane, in whose intestinal canal was found three reels of cotton partially unwound; two roller bandages, one of them  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches wide and 1 inch thick, the other was partially unrolled, one end being in the ileum, the other in the rectum; a number of skeins of thread, a quantity being packed tightly in the cæcum; and finally a pair of braces.

**NEW TEST FOR TRICHINÆ.**—A Holstein peasant, uninstructed in microscopical research, and not possessing the requisite instruments of precision, has devised for himself a new test for the presence of trichinæ in pork. When he killed a pig, he was careful to send a portion of it—a ham or a sausage—to his pastor, and then waited the consequences for 14 days. If his pastor remained healthy, then he felt perfectly easy in his mind, and well assured that his pig fulfilled the requisite conditions of soundness of food, and he proceeded to dispose of it accordingly in his own family. This ingenious method of research has not been considered satisfactory by the district physician.

**BISHOPS AND DOCTORS.**—“I am not ashamed to say I have a son a doctor.” (*Speech of the Bishop of Liverpool to medical men.*)

How kind of the Bishop, and how patronizing,  
 And yet to his *Punch* 'tis a little surprising,  
 That speaking to medical men there in session,  
 He dared speak of shame and a noble profession.  
 A Bishop looks after our souls, but how odd is  
 The sneer that's implied at the curers of bodies;  
 For surely it would be no hard task to fish up,  
 A hundred brave doctors as good as the Bishop.

—*Punch.*

**GENERAL PRACTITIONERS AND SPECIALISTS.**—Dr. George Johnson, at the introductory address of the King's College Medical School, said some pretty severe things regarding the abuses which had grown about specialism. After referring to the indiscriminating way in which the public often looks at the matter, he related the following anecdote of Dr. Latham: “Dr. Latham, as you are aware, was a very eminent, learned, and accomplished physician of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, but he had published more on the diseases of the heart and lungs than on