

receives attention. When the varus has been converted into valgus, then the equinus should be corrected. At this point it is of advantage in the great majority of cases to cut the tendo Achillis. Only through prolonged and painful efforts can the relation of the foot to the leg be otherwise corrected in most cases. The section should be complete, and if difficulty is then experienced in bringing the plantar surface into such a position as to allow its axis to make



FIG. 3.—Jno. S., 10 years. Treatment by open incision.

an angle of eighty degrees with the axis of the leg, the knife may be further carried forward so as to cut the posterior ligaments binding the astragalus or os calcis to the tibia and extending even to the point of cutting the internal lateral ligaments. Section of the tibialis posticus and the accompanying long flexor may also be necessary. Under any circumstances sufficient cutting should be done and force applied to quite over-correct the position of the foot in regard to all the elements which enter into the deformity,