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CICATRICIAL ECTROPION CURED BY TRANS-PLANTATION OF SKIN BY THIERSCH'S METHOD.

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Walter C., aged 5, fell against a hot stove in February last, severely burning left side of face. Admitted into hospital June 19. A dense cicatrix occupies a large surface below left eve. drawing the lower eyelid directly downwards fully half an inch. The exposed conjunctiva is somewhat thickened and in a state of chronic inflammation. The great disfigurement caused by this condition is still further increased by large cicatrices on the outer part of cheek and on the left temple, and it would be difficult to obtain a flap of healthy skin from the vicinity to restore the everted eyelid. For this reason, and in order to avoid additional cicatrices, it was decided to adopt the Thiersch method of transplantation. The patient being placed under ether, the face and right thigh were thoroughly washed and then cleansed with solution of perchloride of mercury 1 in 2000. The edges of both upper and lower lids were pared at two corresponding points and an incision through the partially cicatrized skin was made parallel with the edge of the lower eyelid, about 3 mm, from its border. The dissection was continued until the lower lid could readily be pushed into its proper place without traction on the cicatrical tissues below. This left a triangular raw surface extending the whole length of the

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