

hallucis, abductor hallucis, etc. Having secured the vessels, I drew the foot nearly to its normal position and filled the wound with picked lint dipped in carbolized oil, ten per cent. I then applied adhesive plaster and bandages, holding the foot nearly in its normal position. I omitted to state that I made a subcutaneous division of the tendo Achillis. I performed the operation on May 7th, and on June 11th the wound was healed, and the foot when bandaged was brought into a position of slight flexion and abduction, that is, not only as far as the normal position, but a little beyond. The result was satisfactory in the highest degree. No tractile force was employed, except normal extension followed by a roller bandage and strips of adhesive plaster. The second case was that of a little girl two and one-half years old, under the care of Dr. Jacobi, at Mt. Sinai Hospital. Dr. J. requested me to operate, and I did so, following substantially the same course as in the former case. The case is not under my own care, and I have not been able to follow it up closely; but it is, on the whole, doing well."—*Transactions, Med. Society State of New York*, 1881.

**On the Origin and Cure of Scrofulous Neck.**—By T. Clifford Allbutt, M.A., M.D., F.R.S. (Leeds): The purpose of the paper was to insist upon the local causation and the local development of many cases of scrofulous neck. While giving due weight to the undoubted influence of the heredity in favouring this malady, yet that such states might be, and often were, set up in young persons by local causes alone was equally indubitable. Moreover, local causes played a large—perhaps chief—part in producing the malady in those originally strumous. Artificial scrofula was at least as common as the natural. Of local causes, irritation of neighboring mucous membranes was the most common; pharyngeal and aural-pharyngeal irritations being far the commonest antecedents, and the septic kind of these the most effective. The glandular enlargements were thus bubonic, and by caseous degeneration became themselves the foci of further like mischief. After minute inquiry into possible morbid influences acting through the mucous membranes, a rapid and complete cure without disfigurement must