

the epiphyseal junction. Whitman has also seen 30 cases of coxa vara (which is, practically speaking, fracture of the neck of the femur) in children, but in many instances there may be inherited predisposition to the deformity, or slight depression may result from rachitis. Reports are given of 6 cases, and all but one of these were treated by operation. The first essential is the restriction of abduction, whether of ligamentous or muscular origin, before operating on the bone. A wedge of bone about three-quarters of an inch in breadth is usually removed opposite the trochanter minor; the leg is held in extreme abduction by means of a plaster-of-Paris bandage, which should also include the foot until union is firm. In case of fracture of the neck of the femur it is sometimes possible to replace the neck to a certain degree by forcing the limb into extreme abduction and fixing it in that attitude by plaster-of-Paris bandage or other appropriate apparatus. During consolidation an ordinary traction splint is applied.—*Philadelphia Medical Journal Archives of Pediatrics*.

ANAL AND SCROTAL ECZEMA.

In an article on anal and scrotal eczema, J. S. Moreman, M. D., writes: In the very nature of things eczema is a most harrassing affection, but, when it attacks the scrotum or the anus or labii in females, the story of horrors would require some Victor Hugo to describe it correctly. One patient who suffered with eczema around the anus and on the scrotum declared that the punishment which in mythological story is meted out for Tantalus is nothing compared with eczema. The cases of pruritus ani and pruritus vulvæ will be found in a great many instances cases of pure eczema of these parts. Most of the classical writers on these subjects have declared this to be true, and in a practice where I have seen a great many of these cases I am forced to say that I have found nearly all cases of pruritus ani and pruritus vulvæ to be due to eczema. These patients will tell us how the attacks of itching come on, and the desire to scratch will be almost beyond the power of any human to withstand. In noitol we have a remedy that will promptly relieve the itching, and bring about a cure of the eczematous process. The remedy is a liquid, and is to be applied to the eczematous surface every two or three hours, according to the severity and the frequency of the attacks of itching. Noitol overcomes, not only the itching, but relieves the associated dermatitis.—*Wisconsin Medical Recorder*.