

Granulation commenced and the lavage was then done from above, sixteen days after the operation the tube was removed through the nose; and as the sinus wound was closing, a small rubber tube was placed at its inner end and the lavage continued. Latterly no other treatment was followed, save to cover over the small opening of the wound and tube with adhesive plaster, to be replaced after each irrigation. The boracic solution came through the nostril freely and was soon free from pus. By April 16th, the discharge from the sinus had ceased, so the little tube was removed, irrigation dispensed with, and the wound allowed to close—the patient being warned against all nose blowing until entire healing had taken place.

One point is worthy of note as brought out in this case, that is the advantage of a reversed Valsalva in cleansing the fronto-nasal passage during the process of healing. While the little tube was in situ in the forehead, although there was no external discharge whatever, the air would whistle through the passage into the nose with each forcible effort to draw backwards; and with the effort, any mucus lodged within the passage would be removed. When the little tube was finally taken out, the Valsalva drawing backward was forbidden, in order to favor surface healing. The present condition of the patient with a healed sinus is well marked. Fig. 2.

In closing, I might make one other remark, which applies to each of these cases. Although the anterior ethmoid cells were engorged when removed and the middle turbinal pressed tightly against the septum, yet in neither case was there any indication whatever of the antrum of Highmore being affected.

NOTE.—Sept. 20. Patient following his usual occupation without any return of the disease.

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## THE LARGER RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PHYSICIAN.\*

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“**D**R. Joseph Price, Philadelphia, made a plea for the wider dissemination of medical knowledge among the laity, especially among women and young children. Our women, he said, should be improved mentally and physically; to have big men we must have big mothers. The number of specialists should be multiplied and they should abound in every-day life. Arkansas has 75 counties; she should have 75 polyclinics and 75 postgraduate schools. She has 75 poor-houses and 75 jails full of good material which should be self-supporting. Untold good is done by teaching others.”—*Journal of A. M. A.*

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