

which operation was made many years ago. The patient had to overcome this defect by the use of an obturator. One of the demonstrators of the College brought him to me (Dr. Brophy) to know if I could do anything for him. I would lengthen his

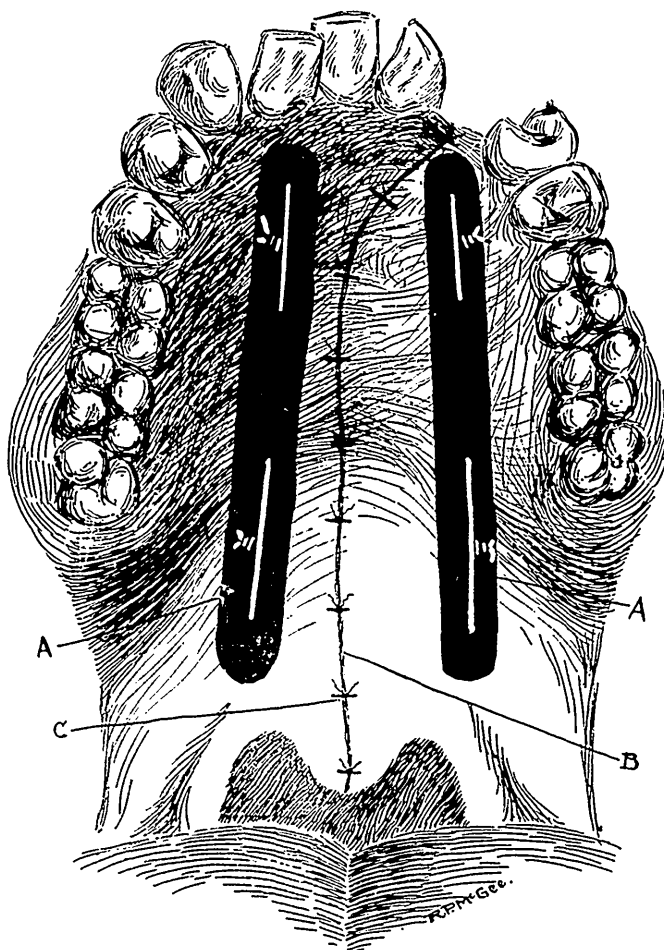


FIG. 9.

A, A. Lead plates. B. Closed palate. C. Coaptation sutures.

palate. We proceeded to lengthen his palate. In adults having cleft palate there is development of the palato-pharyngeal muscles far beyond the normal. They are broader and stronger and thicker. There is a contraction, a mobility and activity in these muscles, which we do not have in those having normal