

The condition of the patient to-day is that of returning health and vigor. In washing out the antrum, the water as it comes away is usually clear, showing but little discharge from the antrum. There is considerable discharge from the nasal passages. The last microscopical examination made a few weeks ago showed the same bacilli in both antrum and nasal passages.

Trans-illumination of the antrum shows slight hypertrophy in one or two places. No trace of caries of the bone can be found.

It is my opinion that if the nasal passages were in a normal condition, it would be safe to take out the drainage tube and close up the antrum.

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PAINLESS EXTRACTING WITH CHLORETONE.

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I have had an experience in painless extraction which may be of interest to other dental operators, and which I therefore submit for perusal and consideration.

I was called upon in February last by a man who requested me to extract eighteen teeth for him. I asked Dr. R. M. Stone, who has frequently employed the Schleich method for me, if he would give the man the injections of the Schleich Solution. A single glance seemed to satisfy Dr. Stone that it would not be advisable to do so, since the patient was somewhat cyanotic—his nails and lips being blue.

We thereupon proposed to use Chloretone, which had been brought to our notice a few days before, and highly recommended as an efficient local anesthetic. I injected a few drops of a saturated solution of Chloretone around the roots of the teeth designated, eighteen in all, and proceeded to extract them.

The patient sat quietly in the chair during the entire time, opening his mouth to receive the forceps, as requested, and said, after all the teeth were out, that he had suffered no pain worthy of mention during the whole procedure.