

if I remember rightly, in his work on functional muscular disturbances, the first work in which he brought this subject prominently before the public. He admits, I think, in that work, that there is a difference in individuals, and that a man may be allowed a certain difference of muscular power in different ocular muscles, and that what may be normal for one man is not normal for another. In other words, that the relative strength of the ocular muscles has to be taken into account in considering what is the normal standard.

I said, from five to eight degrees for abducting power and twenty-five to fifty for adducting power. Now the relative proportion between these is pretty much the same, and if a man is comfortable with five degrees of abducting power and twenty-five degrees of adducting power after a good many trials as to the strength of the muscles, surely that is sufficient evidence that, as far as he is concerned, we may regard this as a normal condition or a fairly normal condition.

On the other hand, there are a large number of people who I am perfectly convinced cannot get an abducting power of eight degrees excepting by long-continued exercise of the external muscles, and I believe that the abducting power, if increased by exercise, will lapse back into the original condition unless the exercise is maintained, so that it is exceedingly difficult to establish an absolute standard, if indeed it is possible.

As for the method of testing for deviations or the relative merits of the Maddox rod or Stevens' tropometer, I must say I have not found the tendency to confusion with the Maddox rod that Dr. Stevens claims to exist. I have, however, found a somewhat greater degree of deviation by the use of the Maddox rod than by Stevens' tropometer.

Now as to Dr. Mittendorf's remarks concerning the frequency of operating. I would have no objection to doing frequent operations, and getting very little effect at a time, and repeating the operations as often as seemed necessary to achieve my results little by little; indeed I would prefer to do it in that way if I had such control over