

incision to the outer side of the sterno-mastoid and reaching to the clavicle had to be made ; from this quite a number of glands were removed—in fact, all that in any way were enlarged. Several were open and discharging pus, these being situated at the upper part of the wound ; lower down they were small, but all had softened, and contained cheesy matter. With some considerable difficulty they were all removed, the edges of the skin pared and brought well together, and the wound dressed in the usual way after Lister's method. The spray was used throughout the operation and subsequent dressings. On reference to my note-book, I find that the wound had quite closed on the 15th May, but she did not leave the hospital for several days thereafter. I may state that this young woman is at present in robust health, and from being a weak anæmic girl, she is now making rich blood, and has greatly improved in appearance. The scar is white, but perfectly free, soft and pliable, and unattached to the deeper parts.

I have the notes of some eight cases in private, besides ten or twelve performed at the Montreal General Hospital, making over twenty cases that have come under my own observation. In all, the results have been quite satisfactory. The general health of all these patients has been greatly benefited by the removal of the glands. Several, from presenting an appearance of decided ill-health, ex-sanguine, anæmic, and in a state in which you would suppose a general break-up was threatened, have markedly changed for the better, and assimilation has greatly improved. Several of these patients have become quite healthy and robust, have increased in weight, and have in no way suffered from the removal of these important organs, which were in verity, before their removal, so damaged as to possess little, if any, functional activity. I cannot do better, in this connection, than endorse the conclusions of Mr. Pridgen Teale, in some very excellent clinical remarks made by that surgeon in reference to tuberculous glands : " That surgery can secure the healing, in a very few weeks, of sinuses and cavities leading to diseased or tuberculous glands, even though they have existed for years, and that in cases of caseous and suppurating glands, the action of the surgeon should be vigorous and thorough."