

CURE FOR BLINDNESS.

An Operation Which Reduces the Head and Restores Sight.

English surgeons have devised a new and beneficial operation by which the sheath of the optic nerve, tunneling the eye is exposed and not only is the pressure upon the nerve removed, and usual or almost total blindness cured, but the brain itself is relieved. The membranes which invest the brain and are continued down to the eye in the form of a sheath which surrounds the optic nerve, secretes a very amount of fluid, and whenever there is an excess of this secretion, or by means, as by the growth of a heavy tumor, the pressure within the cavity of the brain is increased, a severe abundance of fluid is apt to find its way down the nerve sheath to the base of the eye, subjecting the optic nerve to injurious pressure and finally destroying the sight. This disorder may be permanent, even though the pressure in the brain cavity which caused it be only temporary and is cured. Dr. Dussek, of Paris, sixteen or seventeen years ago, suggested that it was possible to open the optic-nerve sheath, and thus not only to relieve the nerve from pressure, but also to drain the brain cavity and relieve the brain pressure there. He made two experiments at this time upon two nearly hopeless cases, but he tried to find his way to the nerve without the aid of sight, and to cut the sheath by means of an instrument carrying a concealed blade which was projected by means of a spring. Only one other attempt of this sort was made, and the results not being satisfactory, the experiment was dropped until last year. Dr. Boudinot Carter, of London, devised a method of operating by which the sheath was exposed to view, and every step of the operation was guided by the surgeon's eye. In one the result was negative, so far as the sight was concerned; in the other three the patients were not only quickly restored to sight, but were relieved of headache and sickness arising from pressure on the brain. Dr. Carter claims that the new operation could be performed with certainty and without risk either to life or to any important structure.

Dr. Bickerton, of Liverpool, at the same meeting said that after hearing of Dr. Carter's first case, he has performed the operation himself in two cases, in one of which temporary restoration of sight was followed by a relapse, but in the other one the result was favorable. —*N. Y. City, Chicago Journal.*

TRAINED SENSES.

Some Instances of Extreme Skill With Eye and Hand.

We hear a great deal about the wonderful precision and accuracy of machinery in these days, and of course it is wonderful, but the degree of accuracy to which the human hand can be trained is equally wonderful.

Playing cards are required to be cut with the sides quite parallel to each other, because if a pack be trimmed by the machine slightly wider at one end than the other, and they become turned "end for end" in dealing, the excess in width of some cards over others at the end of the pack will be double the variation in any one card, which would facilitate cheating, a very minute variation being perceptible. The men who test these cards for this, make calipers of their finger and thumb and by passing them along from one to the other, detect a difference in width between the two ends which it is difficult to measure by any other means.

There are men employed in factories where dried yeast is made whose business it is to put the yeast into packages weighing a certain amount each. It is on a table in front of them in a large plastic mass, and there are the scales for weighing it. But the men do not use the scales. They simply separate from the mass with their hands a lump of it and put it up, and you may choose at random and put it on the scales, and it will weigh exactly the right amount, the scales being just balancing.

Where large numbers of eggs are handled and shipped to market there is a process known as "candling" eggs, which consists in taking them up in the hands (usually two eggs in each hand at a time) and holding them up before a lighted candle. The light shining through them reveals to the practical eye the exact condition of the contents. But some of the men soon get so that they do not need to use the candle; the mere contact of their hands with the shells denoting the condition of the egg just as infallibly and much more quickly. And they distinguish in that way not merely eggs, which are decidedly bad, but those which are just beginning to lose their freshness.

Here are three different ways in which extreme skill of the hands is shown by persistent training: First, in detecting slight differences in magnitude; second, in weight, and lastly, in texture or character of surface handled. American Machinist.

He Was a Clam, Sure Enough.

"Laura," exclaimed the youth, as he laid his arm timidly on the back of her chair, "now that you have promised to mine it surely does not seem like asking too much if I—"

"Well, George?"

George took her hand in his, swelled once or twice spasmodically, and proceeded:

"As your affianced husband, Laura, whom you will some day promise in the sight of high Heaven to love, honor, and—cherish, you will not think me presuming, dearest, I hope, if—I—"

"Well, George?"

—If I venture to claim the privilege of a k—of a kiss?"

The lovely maiden laid her head trustfully on the young man's shoulder, a tender light shone in her dreamy eyes, and her fragrant breath swept the cheek of the rapturous lover as she softly murmured:

"George, don't be a clam!"—Chicago Tribune.

VISITING CARDS.

Their Production Not a Work of Matter of Invention as of Evolution.

It is not easy to determine with precision where and when visiting and invitation cards originated in Europe. In reality they were not so much a matter of invention as of evolution. The first person who striped the white book of the playing card to write his name on when he failed to find his friend at home, or to leave a message for him, would, were he allowed, be entitled to the title of inventor. We know that in England playing cards took their origin in the sixteenth century. In Scotland, in English Monarchs Queen, it says that in examining a set of old papers he came across a number of such cards dated 1730-1750, many of which were printed by English copper-plate on the backs of old playing cards. The visiting cards were small, the size having been cut, the size of the hand and the necessary accommodations not yet requiring expansion. In those of America, the fine maker, The American machine-made card is as finished and accurate as its foreign competitor, and is, of course, much stronger.

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—In the course of some experiments made under the direction of the North railroad of France, it has been ascertained that soft steel plates may be covered by a process of rolling with steam, and so effectively as to render them as valuable for lamp reflectors as silvered copper.

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