

ones, and he mentions the fact cited by Bauer, that the vertical axis of the trachea in children deviates backward, and the tube should be curved to conform to it.

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Albert H. Andrews.—*A New Objective Test for Mastoiditis, with Report of Case.* "Journ. Amer. Med. Assoc.," January 26, 1901.

A small-belled stethoscope is used on the tip of the mastoid, while the handle of a vibrating tuning-fork is held over the mastoid antrum. It is found that when the mastoid is filled with pus or granulations the sound waves are transmitted to the ears of the examiner more distinctly than on the normal side. Care must be taken not to stretch the skin between the stethoscope and handles of the tuning-fork. He has examined a number of persons, and has found no perceptible difference in the normal cases; but in those where mastoid trouble was present the affected mastoid transmitted the sounds with greater force than did the mastoid of the opposite side. In the case reported, a cholesteatomatous mass filled the attic and upper part of the middle ear. The tuning-fork was heard on this side for thirty seconds, while over the normal side it was heard only sixteen seconds. He uses a C 512 tuning-fork so made as to vibrate about thirty-five seconds, and a stethoscope with a $\frac{5}{8}$ -inch bell.

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BOOKS RECEIVED.

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The Asphyxia Factor in Anæsthesia. By H. B. GARDNER, M.R.C.S. Eng., L.R.C.P. Lond. London: Baillière, Tindall and Cox. Price 3s.

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NOTICE.

The tenth meeting of the German Otological Society will be held this year on May 24 and 25 in Breslau. Titles and subjects of communications and demonstrations (which must not have been published elsewhere) should be forwarded by April 30 to the secretary, Dr. Arthur Hartmann, 8, Roonstr., Berlin.

It is intended to hold in connection with the meeting an exhibition of preparations, etc., for the teaching of otology and rhinology. Contributions for the exhibition are to be directed to Professor Kümmel, 53, Thiergartenstr., Breslau.