

Letter to the Editor

The experimental facts are related briefly, but the author wishes to draw attention to the clinical fact that there are cases of vertigo which can be explained only as manifestations of cervical rheumatism and either yield to appropriate treatment or else are a prolonged source of irremediable symptoms, until these cease spontaneously with the passage of time. The paper is long and provides striking evidence that it is well founded.

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The Journal of Laryngology and Otology.

DEAR SIR,—I was interested to read Mr. Alexander Tweedie's report of a case of Melanotic Sarcoma of the Nose in the June issue of the *Journal of Laryngology and Otology* and I thought you might like to have the following report of a case which was under my care. The following is her after-history: Fifteen months after the first operation she developed a melanotic growth of the septum of the same side, and I stripped the mucous membrane of the septum away with the diathermy knife as far as the posterior border. She remained free from symptoms until May, 1932, when she developed a recurrence in the ethmoid. I inserted six radium needles round the growth (1,000 mg.h.) which then entirely disappeared. I have since heard from her doctor that she died in December of the same year after a short illness lasting one week, in which there was marked jaundice and, I presume, secondary deposits in the liver. She would appear to have lived for about four years and ten months from the onset of her symptoms and for two years and ten months after operation. This seems to be the general expectation of life in a number of these cases. Her doctor reported there was no evidence of local recurrence as far as he could say.

Yours very truly,

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