accompanied by supraorbital neuralgia, some apparent slight paresis of the upper lid and some nasal catarrh, after a cold motor drive. By the time the author saw her every trace of abnormality had disappeared. He suspected that some mydriatic had been used, but there was no history of any drops. After further questioning Macdonald found that she had been ordered by another practitioner some liniment for a sprained knee. This was found to contain belladonna, and gave the explanation of the mysterious attack.

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MERCANTILE MARINE VISION TESTS.

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

SIR,—I shall be glad if you, or any reader of this Journal, will let me know what action the widowed mother of a cadet should take in order to recover the expense she has been put to in having her son trained on the training ship "Conway," under the following circumstances:—

On June 12, 1918, at Poplar, he was examined by Board of Trade in Form and Colour Vision—Exn. 16A—and given a certificate as having "Passed" in both. On completion of his training when presenting himself for examination by a steamship Company he was rejected owing to defect of vision of *one* eye. This defect is due to oblique hyperopic astigmatism of one dioptré, which was no doubt present when examined at Poplar, but not detected, as the candidate assures me he was examined with both eyes open.

NORWICH, *October 31, 1921.*

Yours faithfully,
ARTHUR GREENE.

AN APHAKIC HUMAN EMBRYO

To the Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

SIR,—In an account of a condition of aphakia in a human embryo which I gave in this Journal last summer I implied that the condition of the central nervous system in that embryo was, so far as the indifferent condition of the embryo allowed one to judge, more or less comparable with that of a normal 13 mm.