was placed at the disposal of an American pathologist for research work on trachoma. The admirable facilities which this well equipped laboratory affords, and the abundant clinical material which is available, make it the object of a necessary pilgrimage for any pathologist who wishes to carry out a research in the aetiology of trachoma, and who has the requisite credentials as to experience in experimental work.

CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editors of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF OPHTHALMOLOGY.

DEAR SIRs,—In the December 1931 number of the Journal, on page 723, an abstract is given of Hughes's method of treating spastic entropion, taken from the *American Journal of Ophthalmology*.

The treatment of this condition by novocaine and absolute alcohol, was introduced into the Ophthalmic Department of the Royal Hospital, Baghdad, in September, 1930, and since then, 11 cases have been treated by this method. In all cases except one, the treatment has met with complete success, and in this one case, the entropion was turned into a slight ectropion. In no case was it necessary to repeat the treatment. Our procedure differs slightly from that described. Novocaine 2 per cent. is used, and may be injected in quantity up to 1.0 c.c. The needle is inserted at the outer canthus of the lid, and pushed through the lid to the inner canthus. The injection is then made, the needle being gradually withdrawn during the injection. Absolute alcohol is then injected in a similar manner, 0.5 to 1.0 c.c. being used. Hot fomentations are then applied to the eye four hourly.

Yours truly,

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SIRs,—In the review of Mr. Ernest Clarke's book "The Fundus of the Human Eye" in the February number, page 122, your reviewer has fallen into error in attributing to me the selection of the drawings and the writing of the descriptive legends. Mr. Clarke was good enough to ask me to look through the drawings and legends, which I did, but the work is Mr. Ernest Clarke's and not mine.

Yours faithfully,

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