CASE NOTES

TRAUMATIC KERATOCONUS POSTICUS*

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Case Report

A man aged 46 attended the Royal Eye Hospital on June 13, 1956, complaining of floaters in front of the left eye. The left eye was normal on examination.

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There was, however, a history of an injury to the right eye at the age of 4 years, since when the vision had been impaired (visual acuity 6/36; 6/18 with pinhole). On examination two adjacent central corneal nebulae were seen, and behind the larger nebula the posterior corneal surface showed an increased concavity. The opacity was largely in the superficial part of the substantia propria. The torn ends of Descemet's membrane were curled and projecting behind into the anterior chamber.

This patient is reported as an interesting companion to the cases of keratoconus posticus described previously (Jacobs, 1957). The traumatic cause is undoubted in this instance.

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REFERENCE