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1. When EAR was a child in grade school, probably in 1881, a teacher cuffed him on the ear to awaken him from daydreaming. This resulted ultimately in considerable loss of hearing and caused EAR much anguish, physical and psychological. In October 1892 he had an operation for necrosis of the inner ear. See EAR's letters to Smith for October 19 and October 23, 1892.