

end the arm a little space, and then make another horizontal turn about it, bringing the end up under the course 2, thus finishing course 3.

Uses.—For extension of a member during reduction of a dislocation; more especially applied to the superior extremity.

M. GERDY'S EXTENSION KNOT.

Description.—This knot is executed with a cravat one and one-half yards in length; the length, however, varying according to the purposes for which it is employed.

Application—Place the centre of the cravat upon the tendo

FIG. 139.



M. Gerdy's Extension Knot.

Achillis, just above the ankle joint, having the dorsal surface of the foot towards you; then bring the two extremities of the cravat forwards, crossing them upon the front of the tibio-tarsal articulation, 1'; carry the two ends downwards to the plantar surface of the foot, recrossing them to carry them up, 2, 2', in front of the malleoli, and under the crossed extremities 1, 1'; then bring them downwards, as 3, 3', to fasten as required.

Variety.—Instead of putting the courses 2, 2', beneath the crossed extremities, 1, 1', from below upwards, carry them up across these courses, and pass them, from above downwards, beneath the courses 1, 1'; afterwards make a final fastening as desired. See, also, Figs. 133 and 134, when extension is to be kept up for any great length of time.

Uses.—For extension of the lower extremity, as in dressing fractures; the counter extension being made by the perinæal band, or inclination of the bed.

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