

These favourable indications continued. Catheterism was used twice daily; the sedative enema was administered for a few nights, and then gradually discontinued. The bowels were relieved by emollient enema on the fifth day, after which the wound was dressed with carbolyzed pledget of lint and the patient placed on a more comfortable bed. Up to this time milk diet and gruel was the only nutriment allowed, but a more generous diet was now permitted. The pedicle sloughed away on the 14th day, and convalescence might be said to be perfected about the fourth week. The sac was found to be bilocular, without any fibroid degeneration, the hardness above referred to having been caused by a second cyst lying, as it were, on the surface of the main sac covered by a very dense membrane of about the diameter of four or five inches and about one inch in depth, and contained a fluid such as has been described above; it added so little to the size of the emptied sac, it was not found necessary to evacuate its contents prior to removal.

On visiting my patient in September, soon after my return from attending the Canada Medical Association at Halifax, I found her free from complaint and much improved in flesh and general appearance. There is, however, a most singular fact to record. On the return of the catamenial period, a very small blister, of a dark colour, appears over the cicatrix just where the pedicle was secured, and which has been perfectly healed long since; the skin gives way and enough blood oozes therefrom to stain her linen to the size of a quarter dollar or English shilling. It causes no further inconvenience, and quickly heals up again. The circumstance itself is very singular and unique, as far as my knowledge goes. Whether it will continue or increase, possibly, is a matter for future observation, and I shall endeavour to keep posted on the matter.

The following suggestions occur to me, a "Septuagenarian," which may be of some benefit to my younger *confrères*:—

1stly, I consider a private residence for this operation is much to be preferred to a hospital, as there is a largely diminished risk of septic influences in the former case, provided the locality is healthy in character, and cleanliness and comfort is the order