

I introduced a bougie made of the dried stem of the *Laminaria Digitata*, the size of a crow's quill, first warming it a little so as to make it flexible; this is best done by immersing in hot water, then bending it to the arc of a two-inch circle so as to enable me to pass it beyond the point of constriction, which was easily accomplished, and the bougie left *in situ* for twelve hours. When removed it was found to be perfectly straight, and three or four times its former size; there was not the slightest flexion of the cervix remaining.

The patient menstruated three days subsequent for the first time in her life without pain. The flexion partially returned, but the repetition of the treatment for the three succeeding months has entirely and I think permanently affected a cure. I have tried it in several similar cases with like good results, and hope the profession will take advantage of the above suggestions and give it a more thorough trial than I have been able to do. Several of our surgical instrument makers have sent to Europe for the Sea-Tangle, and will soon be able to supply those who may want it. —*Buffalo Medical and Surgical Journal.*

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CASE OF POISONING CAUSED BY CHEWING TOBACCO.

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Richard Edmondson, aged 17 years, a piecer in a cotton-mill, was seen to leave home about half-past six on the night of Friday, October 28th, apparently quite well; he returned about half-past nine on the same night looking ill and pale. On being asked what was the matter, he said he was sick and had a pain in his stomach, after which he asked for some cold water, of which he drank, and then went to bed. In the interval between his leaving home and his return he had walked with a companion for a distance of half a mile, to a shop, and purchased half an ounce of Limerick roll tobacco, and an ounce of bird's eye tobacco. The evidence at the inquest subsequently showed that he had smoked two pipes of the bird's eye tobacco, and chewed about two-thirds of the Limerick roll tobacco. He was seen by one of the witnesses, about nine o'clock, leaning against a wall, and vomiting and trembling greatly; upon an inquiry as to the cause, deceased said *that he had been chewing tobacco, and had swallowed the spittle he should have spit*; on reaching home he complained of being stiff.

His mother saw him about six o'clock on the following morning (Sat-