

Gynæcologic Gleanings.

(From *The Clinique*.) Give iron when the menses are scanty and lack color; give arsenic when the flow is too profuse, prolonged or frequent.—*Fordyce Barker*.

All pelvic congestions are venous, and the term "chronic inflammation," so far as it applies to the organs in that cavity, is a misnomer, because the arterial vessels are not involved in that process.—*Emmet*.

The most common displacement of the ovary is dislocation downward into the retrouterine pouch, to which the name of prolapse has been improperly given.—*Tait*.

Cancer of the womb usually begins on the vaginal portion of the cervix, and consequently has to bear the brunt of the insults of coition and parturition.—*Goodell*.

Tepid vaginal injections, so generally recommended and inadvertently used by patients in place of the hot injections directed, have no positive therapeutic effect whatever.—*Barnes*.

Chronic leucorrhœa of long standing can be cured only by persevering in frequent local use of astringents through a speculum, together with hot vaginal injections.—*Munde*.

The ovary is simply a gland, developed as other glands and formed of similar elements; its peculiarity is that its cell-nuclei have special powers during a certain time of life.—*Tait*.

The peculiar sensation imparted to the finger on drawing a curette over the endometrium may give some hint as to the nature of the affection: if it is grating, it is vegetations or placental fragments; if soft and spongy, it indicates endometritis hyperplastica.—*Munde*.

In chronic ovaritis, pain is an inevitable feature, and nineteen times out of twenty it is worse on the left side than on the right.—*Tait*.

Distressing pelvic pains incident to flexions and versions of the womb are greatly alleviated by vaginal suppositories containing 1 grain of morphine and 2 grains of the extract of belladonna.—*Goodell*.

Vaginal injections of bromide of potassium I have found of real benefit in cases of so-called irritable uterus, diffuse pelvic pains, and hysterical neuroses in various parts of the body. Injections containing them are best administered at bed-time. I have repeatedly seen a refreshing night's sleep follow the vaginal injection of 1 dram of bromide of potash to a pint of water.—*Munde*.