

placenta was 1 lb. 7 oz., and the average length of the cord was $20\frac{1}{4}$ inches. There were eight placentæ born with single children each weighing over 3 lbs. The two heaviest weighed 4 lbs. each. There was also a single placenta accompanying a twin birth which weighed 4 lbs. 6 oz. The shortest cord measured 9 inches; the longest 41 inches.

The *forceps* was applied to complete the delivery in 17 cases, or in the proportion of 1 in 43 cases. Fifteen of these cases were primiparæ and two multiparæ. All the mothers recovered with one exception, and ten of the children were lost. Tarnier's axis-traction forceps was applied in two cases where the head of the child was arrested in the brim of the pelvis from narrowing of the conjugate diameter, and was found to work well.

Version of the child was performed twice; once in a case of presentation of the shoulder and once after failure to extract with the forceps.

Post-partum hemorrhage occurred in seven cases, or in the proportion of 1 in 103 cases. There were also two cases of accidental hemorrhage.

There were four cases of labor complicated with *convulsions*. Three were primiparæ and one a multipara. In all the mothers recovered. Three children were born living and one was still-born. In one case the convulsions preceded labor. The patient, aged 30, admitted into the hospital on the 15th of March, 1877, was seized with convulsions on the 18th March, at 8 P.M., before any symptom of labor had occurred. On examination, the urine was found to be highly albuminous. A large dose of calomel and jalap was at once administered, which had a powerful action on the bowels. Half a drachm of the bromide of potassium every second hour, and twenty grains of the hydrate of chloral every fourth hour, were prescribed. The convulsions ceased about 2 P.M. on the 19th March, up to which time she had had twenty-three paroxysms. Labor came on at 5 P.M. of the same day, and she was delivered at 8.20 P.M. Albumen rapidly disappeared from the urine after delivery, and she made a speedy and satisfactory recovery.

There was one case of *epilepsy*, which was interesting from