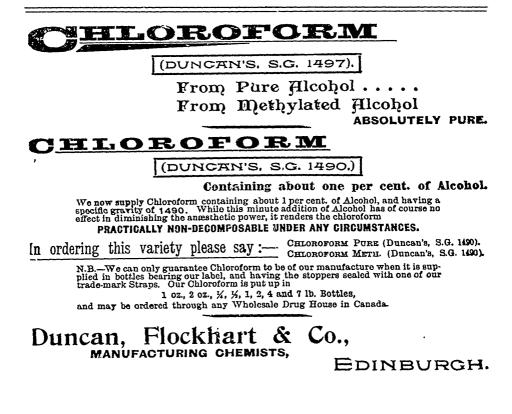
Recovery was interrupted by febrile disturbance, but was finally complete. Some six weeks after the operation an examination of the blood showed 486 red corpuscles to one white, and 4,860,000 corpuscles to the cubic millimetre, the normal being estiinated at 5,000,000. One singular feature in the patient's case is the family history. One sister (deceased) was known to have had an enlarged spleen, although she does not appear to have died from splenic disease; one brother has an enlarged spleen, likewise a sister, whose child is also affected in the same way. Lendon adds that he is giving his patient bone marrow with the view of counteracting the cachectic state which is regarded by some as certain to become developed in patients who have had their spleen removed.

THE preliminary programme and announcement for the meeting of the

Mississippi Valley Medical Association at St. Paul, Minn., September 15th to 18th, has just been issued. Dr. Harold N. Moyer, of Chicago, will give the address on Medicine; and Dr. H. H. Grant, of Louisville, Ky., the address on Surgery. Amongst those giving addresses are the names of the best known men in the United States and Canada. The meeting will be of the greatest interest to all, and will more than repay for the distance travelled.

OPERATION FOR ATRESIA VA-GIN.E. — Mackenrodt (*Centralbl. f. Gyn.*, No. 21, 1896) points out that attempts to keep the artificial vagina open by tampons after operations for this condition are seldom permanently, if even temporarily, successful, and states that he has recently in two cases successfully substituted a vaginal wall by transplantation of flaps obtained in operations for prolapse



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