

May 19.—Slept well during the night; had slight starting of the limb; has taken freely of beef tea; the surface of the wound was hot and slightly inflamed, skin moist, tongue slightly furred, pulse full 100 per minute. Complains of fulness; as the bowels had not moved was ordered ʒ ii. of castor oil, and if necessary, the anodyne to be repeated at night.

May 20.—The oil acted gently, and gave him relief this morning; is cheerful and easy, a sense of tingling in the wound but no pain, slept well, and felt refreshed, the anodyne was not needed, healthy pus is exuding from the wound, and granulations are observable at several points. The thigh bone was displaced forward, which necessitated the removal of the dressings.



It was put up afresh, and an anterior splint applied. He bore the removal of the splints well, and after the limb was done up stated he felt more comfortable. Tongue moist and clean, appetite returning, takes freely of beef tea, pulse 90 full and soft. From this date he steadily improved, the ligatures and sutures were all removed by the 14th day. On July 1st, it is stated, the wound all but healed; slight discharge from the outer side, the bones are firmly united, but it was not thought advisable to remove the splints. The diet throughout was nourishing, and he was allowed a pint of porter daily.

On the 25.—July, the limb was put in a starch bandage; all discharge