region. In view of the increasing frequency of operations in this region in cases of perityphlitis it is worth remembering than an inflammatory condition in the region of the appendix may exist when that structure is itself free from disease and the possibility of the condition being due to tertiary syphilis is instanced by this case.

## TWO CASES OF PNEUMONIA IN PUERPERAL WOMEN.

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CASE I.—Pleuro-pneumonia.—Patient, aged 36, VIII-para, epileptic, miscarried at the seventh month; breech presentation. Child, placenta and membranes came away together. Child dead and had a disagreeable odor (reported by nurse).

I saw her a few hours later and found her feeling well. Pulse 80; temperature 99½°. I gave a vaginal douche and ordered a few doses of quin. sulph. gr. v. She progressed nicely till the fourth day, when, after some chilly sensations, she was seized with severe "stitch" in right side, beneath the last three ribs, pressure on which aggravated the pain. Examination of the lungs revealed nothing except shallow respiration, probably due to pain. There was no abdominal fulness or tenderness; the uterus was well contracted; the vagina was not hot or tender; uterus freely movable, not tender, and no infiltration about it. Lochia normal, scanty. Pulse 100; temperature 1002°; respirations 32. Next day she was somewhat better; but on the following day she was seized with very severe pain in the right shoulder, extending downward. There are a few small râles (or friction sounds) near base of right lung; expansion restricted and respiration weak on right side. Pulse 84; temperature 101; respirations 36. Next day, pulse 80; temperature 99.5°; respirations 30; feels better. In lower third of right lung there is consolidation, blowing breathing, and subcrepitant râles. On the following day, pulse 70; temperature, 98°; respirations 25. No pain or distress, and she rapidly recovered.

At no time was there cough, except an occasional hack during the last two days of the febrile stage, and there was no expec-