

Dr. Goodman reported a case of diabetes, apparently consequent upon a severe injury. As the patient recovered from the immediate effects of the accident, diabetic symptoms became manifest until eight pints of the characteristic urine were voided daily. The treatment consisted of vapor baths, pepsine to remedy the indigestion, and other usual measures, resulting in complete recovery.

Dr. Mack spoke of an intercurrent form of Diabetes observed in gouty subject, where great mental exertion was made frequently. In this modification of the disease both the glycosuria and dysuria yielded to treatment, he had known one case of this kind, extending over twelve years. Professor Rochester of Buffalo, related to him an unfortunate trial of the skim milk treatment. The patient grew rapidly worse under the regimen, took early to his bed, and sunk from the disease in a manner that shewed the treatment had no influence for good.

Dr. Comfort mentioned a case, treated by small doses of Morphine at regular intervals, persevered with, for about four months and terminating very satisfactorily in convalescence, although the quantity of urine, passed in the twenty-four hours had reached as high as eight quarts.

December 12 — Dr. Mack in the chair.

The chairman said he would occupy a portion of the time this evening, in describing his experience of the manoeuvres for dilating, incising, and dividing the cervix uteri. About twenty-three years ago, he commenced with the use of bougies as recommended by Mackintosh, to relieve dysmenorrhœa from obstruction; he had, after this fashion, attempted in many and various ways to effect dilatation of the canal of the cervix, and he could not now recall any very encouraging results. Sir James Simpson's metallic dilators were next employed, with better effect; then sponge-tents, or the tents and different dilators occasionally, between the employment of the sponges, laminaria &c. These procedures proved to be serviceable occasionally in relieving dysmenorrhœa, and sterility, and facilitating local treatment. Intra-uterine galvanic pessaries, following the enlargement of the canal and retained for a few weeks proved to be a great improvement, obviating obstructions, gently stimulating the interior of the uterus and remedying ante-flexion, yet there