

made, assisted in its action by putting the infant to the breast. Injections of iron solution are dangerous, because they may cause death by distention of the uterus, peritonitis, or septicemia. The introduction of iodoform gauze is not without its disadvantages; sometimes it is a means of allowing air to enter the veins, and it always prevents normal contraction of the uterus.—*College and Clinical Record.*

Shoulder Presentation in Primipara with Case.—On the 13th of November last, I was called in great haste to see Miss E. When I arrived I found two physicians in attendance. On examination the head of the child was resting in the left sacral iliac junction with the right arm and hand prolapsed at the vulva. Impaction strong; the mother badly prostrated and weak. She had been in labour about twenty hours, under care and guidance of a midwife. Her physicians had been unable to return the arm or turn the child, deliver and relieve the woman. The child was dead. The womb had long since been drained of its waters and contracted closely about the body of the child,

which rendered it impracticable to return the arm bring down the feet and deliver the child without great danger of uterine laceration or fatal contusion of the parts of the mother, and of failure to succeed in effecting the version. A fourth physician came to our assistance. The woman was so weak and prostrated that we decided that the only mode of procedure left us was to amputate the arm, eviscerate the chest and abdomen, then deliver. After the surgical operation of amputating the arm, eviscerating the chest and abdomen of the child, the two practitioners first in charge of the case returned to their homes to get other instruments. The woman's strength had failed to an alarming extent, and it began to look like she certainly would die without relief, for we had done everything to sustain her strength in the way of giving her spirits vini gallici. We then gave her fluid extract of ergot in teaspoonful doses every thirty minutes, and after taking the third dose her pains grew stronger, at which time another practitioner came to our assistance, and by the use of the blunt hook we delivered her of the remains of a male child. The mother, after protracted cardiac trouble, made

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