

13th.—Ligature removed: in attempting to draw it away it broke, and rather strangely, on examining the wound attentively, a small white projection was found in the aperture left by the healing of the abscess, and this projection appearing to be also thread was pulled when the remainder of the ligature was extracted; the latter contained a distinct noose, which was the presenting part,—clearly showing the ligature had separated internally from the artery sometime previously. Hemiplegia appears rather improved; he can bend his elbow, and raise the arm of the affected side to a level with the top of his shoulder; and can partially clench his hand, but he cannot make the fingers touch the palm; while sitting he can move the leg and bend the knee, but in walking the leg drags; facial distortion not more pronounced than when last noticed; appetite moderate and general health good. Pulse 60.

26th.—Hemiplegic symptoms have grown worse; unable to walk unsupported; mental faculties decaying, is very troublesome, peevish and passionate; sometimes talks a little silly. Complaints of pains in right ear, and over corresponding side of neck and head having returned and with distressing acuteness. Of late has suffered from urgent thirst. Exhibits no febrile symptoms. When visited is generally sitting up, eating his dinner.

Dec. 5.—Continuing worse, confined to bed in dorsal decubitus, unable to help himself, seemingly much exhausted, loss of power over left arm and leg is complete; urine escapes, involuntarily; bowels sluggish; pulse small, weak and slow; tongue when protruded comes against left corner of mouth. Contain, wine, brandy, and nourishment; together with an occasional dose of oil ricini when required.

7th.—So much improved in feeling that he sat up and used food. Paralysis as before, articulation more difficult.

10th.—Another bad turn similar to that of the 5th instant, but he is now, in addition, soporose and there is a tendency to stertor in respiration; bowels costive; pulse feeble. Habt oil ricini 3ij.

12th.—Improved; more wakeful and attempts to reply to questions asked him; but, from the loss of articulation, his meaning cannot be understood. Has latterly been taking very little nourishment.

17th.—Has had involuntary startings of paralysed extremities; bowel not been opened for the last 3 or 4 days. Habt oil ricini 3ij.

19th.—Return of drowsiness; paralysed parts still retain sensation though in a weakened degree; muscular startings occasionally observed; respiration is rather blowing, and while he expires left cheek swells out. Bowels now only moved when he is given the oil.

23rd.—Sleeps most of the time; when awake is very thirsty, takes hardly any nourishment; pulse barely appreciable, there is an ossifica-

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