

Dr. Simpson, late of Bruce Mines, then read an interesting paper on a case of neglected shoulder presentation, in which he was forced to practice decapitation. This paper illustrates more forcibly than words can express the incapacity of women to manage or to be trusted with the management of cases of labour, other than the most simple forms of parturition. (This interesting and instructive paper will be found in our Original department.)

This was followed by a few remarks by some of the members present.

Votes of thanks were then tendered to Dr. Ross and Dr. Simpson for the very interesting and instructing papers just read, after which the Society adjourned.

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In the early part of the last month we had a regular Canadian snow-storm, a most unusual circumstance at this season of the year. The weather was miserable, the cold penetrating, and the houses comfortless. The cold was not great, as registered by the thermometer, but if gauged by one's own feelings it was considerable. The streets were, during the greater part of two days, almost deserted; here and there a solitary cab might be seen toiling along at a snail's pace. The traffic was almost entirely suspended, but towards evening of the second day the snow had been cleared away from the principal thoroughfares and waggons and carts running much as usual. I never suffered more in Canada from cold than I did during those dreary days, and to add to the discomfort and misery coals advanced eight shillings per ton. Only fancy paying forty and forty-two shillings a ton for coal in London.

There was another excision of the tongue at University Hospital, performed by Mr. Erichsen. The disease, epithelioma, was situated on the left side of the organ, far back. Mr. Erichsen began the operation by an incision through the left cheek, from the angle of the mouth to about opposite the upper molar. After arresting the hæmorrhage by ligating the vessels divided, he passed the wire of the galvanic ecraseur through the middle line, near the base of the tongue. The battery being applied, it was split up from behind forwards to the tip. The wire was again applied at right angles and the diseased mass severed. A considerable portion of the tongue was thus left, and although several