

considerable post-partum hemorrhage. Shortly afterwards she had an attack of typhoid fever. The history of the present pregnancy is uneventful, except that she suffered a good deal from morning sickness during the first five months, and had gushes of blood every week or two. Her matrimonial relations have not been happy; she was deserted by her husband and had to seek refuge in the Sheltering Home some time before confinement. The authorities of that institution report her as being capricious and violent-tempered, subject to outbreaks of ungovernable passion on slight provocation.

On admission into the Maternity there was no œdema of feet or ankles; the bowels were regular, but micturition was frequent and painful. The urine contained neither albumen nor sugar, and showed a specific gravity of 1012. Labor was short and uneventful, lasting altogether six and one-half hours. There was slight post-partem hemorrhage; a few calcareous plates were found on the maternal face of the placenta. Convalescence went on normally for the first week; but about the seventh day she was noticed to be fretting about something, which turned out subsequently to be an expected letter that failed to arrive. On the morning of the eighth day (Oct. 17th) the temperature was 99.4°; it rose in the evening to 100.6°, and next morning to 102.2°. The urine was examined and showed a trace of sugar. Lactation had then been well established for several days, the tongue was clean, the lochia normal, the urine not increased in amount, and no marked thirst. The diet had been chiefly milk, gruel, broth, and light farinaceous puddings. The temperature rose during waking hours and fell to the normal during sleep, while the pulse did not show any corresponding change. The sugar increased to five per cent. and the specific gravity to 1028. As the temperature subsided the sugar slowly diminished, and by the eighteenth day (Oct. 27) had entirely disappeared. She was then preparing to leave hospital; but on making my daily visit I requested her to remain a few days longer. She thereupon began again to cry and fret, and although her temperature did not rise, sugar reappeared in the urine and persisted for a week. On 2nd November more fretting ran up