

nication between its meshes, and filled with albuminous matter, varying in consistency from the white of egg to that of honey or jelly. The viscous nature of its contents explains the difficulty or impossibility of evacuating it after tapping. These cases may be regarded as absolutely incurable, not from their nature, which is not malignant, though they greatly resemble in appearance gelatiniform and areolar cancer, but owing to the viscous nature of their contents. Another incurable form is the multilocular cyst, having numerous and non-communicating cells, the contents of which are almost always albuminous. The millocular ovarian cysts, which are alone amenable to palliative and curative treatment, are fortunately those oftenest met with. M. Cruveilhier approves of leaving them alone as long as possible.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF EMIGRATION OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1856.—The surgical department of the Emigrant Hospitals at Ward's Island, is under the charge of Dr. J. Murray Carnochan, as Surgeon-in-Chief, assisted by two salaried and constantly resident surgeons; the medical department is under the charge of Dr. H. B. Fay, as Physician-in-Chief, assisted by two resident physicians. Dr. Carnochan performs all important operations. There were cared for in the Hospitals during 1856, including 776 in Hospital on 1st January, 1856, together with 406 births, 6,147,—of whom there died 388. There were discharged, cured, or relieved, 4,979; remaining on 31st December, 1856, 780. The percentage of mortality was 6.31 per cent. on all cases treated, but calculated on the discharges, 7.32. The surgical practice embraced many serious cases, requiring important operations. The whole number of surgical cases was 1856, the number cured and discharged, 1401, and of deaths, 53, or about three per cent. on all cases treated.

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