

*November 18th.*—Dr. Howard also saw and examined her with me to-day, and found the same conditions as described on the 14th instant.

*November 22nd.*—She was tapped again to-day, and 19 pints of fluid withdrawn. After tapping, a distinct flattened tumour was felt in the right iliac fossa, freely movable, and about the size of a small placenta.

It now became a serious question what to advise, whether to urge her to undergo the risk of an operation, which at that time proved fatal in about one case in every three, or to attempt a cure by injecting the sac with a solution of iodine, the latter alternative being attended with comparatively little danger and with a reasonable hope, in the event of the growth being monocystic, of effecting a cure. After careful consideration, and placing the matter as clearly as possible before the patient herself and her friends, it was decided to allow the cyst partially to refill, and to tap it and inject with iodine.

*December 4th.*—With the assistance of Drs. Campbell, Fraser, Howard and Drake, I again tapped the tumour, and drew off 20 pints of thick fluid, containing, towards the end, flakes of lymph. A long elastic tube was then introduced through the canula, and, after washing out the cyst with tepid water, five and a half ounces of a solution of iodine (containing a scruple of iodine and half a drachm of iodide of potassium to each ounce of water) was injected. The tumour was then manipulated, and some of the fluid allowed to drain off. An ounce thus escaped, leaving four and a half ounces in the sac. The tube and canula were then withdrawn, the puncture closed, and the patient placed quietly in bed.

*7 p. m.*—Has had a rigor and is very restless and feverish; pulse 132. Has passed about 15 ounces of coffee-coloured urine, containing iodine and blood globules in considerable quantities. To be sponged repeatedly with tepid water and to have a drachm of solution of morphia immediately.

*December 5th.*—Has passed a comfortable night, complains of heat in mouth and throat; pulse 150 but regular, soft and distinct; tongue coated brown but moist; skin natural; urine still contains iodine and blood. The morphia draught to be repeated to-night and twenty grains of bicarbonate of potash with two minims of Flemming's tincture of aconite to be given every two hours.

*December 6th.*—No blood in urine since yesterday afternoon; pulse 164, soft and regular. Slight tenderness in right iliac fossa.

*December 10th.*—Pulse 146.

*December 20th.*—(Sixteen days since last tapping.) Tapped her again to-day taking away 18 pints of fluid much thinner than formerly, greenish in color and towards the last, looking rather purulent.