

the splint, a spasmodic twitch of the muscles, causing slight motion in the joint, made it bleed; the bleeding appeared to be from the granulations, and soon stopped, only about  $\frac{3}{4}$  iss. of blood was lost. A large quantity of pus escaped; the slough along the flap is extending; dressings to be applied at ordinary temperature; lemonade, 1 pint porter, mutton chop.

June 7th.—Pulse 86; much more comfortable; passed an easy night, there is a greater amount of discharge and it contains some coagulated blood; the tendency to sloughing in the flap is arrested.

June 9th.—Pulse 88; sleeps well; has very little pain; the discharge is diminishing, and becoming more healthy.

June 11th.—Pulse 88; very restless; slept but little last night on account of the pain; the discharge is about the same in character and amount; an opening has formed in the popliteal space through which the greater part of the pus escapes; tongue lightly furred; bowels opened to-day.

June 14th.—Pulse 88; is much better to day, but complains of shooting pains through the whole limb; the amount of pus is diminishing.

June 18th.—Pulse 96: Is very irritable; says he did not sleep any last night; appetite is gone; shooting pains through the whole limb, from the hip downwards; about the same amount of pus, but it is more ichorous.

June 20th.—Pulse 100; tongue clean; appetite better; complains still of the shooting pains; the inner extremity of the wound has ceased to discharge pus; there is still a little from the outer; it seems to form in, and occupy a sac at the outer side of the knee, about an inch and a half above the wound; there is some discharge from the opening beneath, but not so much as before; the slough which had formed on the margin of the flap is entirely removed; the wound there shows a tendency to gape; brought the edges together with a strip of adhesive plaster.

June 21st.—Slept well last night; shooting pains are nearly gone.

June 22nd.—Pulse 100; says he did not sleep last night on account of the intense pain; he got a draught of morphia at 10 p.m. and another at 4 a.m.; Dr. Ross changed the dressings to-day; the union appeared to be tolerably firm; two strips of plaster were applied to bring the wound together.

June 28th.—Appetite good; sleeps well; occasional shooting pains; rather more discharge from the popliteal opening, but scarcely any from the others; the sac is diminishing in size, and the part feels firmer; the swelling in the knee is going down; ordered to dress with red wash.