

emplastrum cantharides two inches long by one inch wide (first moistened with carbolized oil). Vesication was produced in six hours, when the plaster was carefully removed. The epithelium was detached at the edges of the blister, washed in boric-acid solution, after which all moisture was absorbed with sterilized cotton, and it was suspended in a four-ounce salt mouth-bottle (aseptic cotton being used for a stopper), and kept at a temperature between 55° and 70° F. (12.8° and 21.1° C.). It was thoroughly dry in three days, when a piece one inch square was divided, making twelve grafts, which were applied in the usual way. The results were extremely gratifying. Nine of the twelve grafts took nicely and grew rapidly, so that in one month this ulcerated surface was healed, having a substantial epithelial covering.

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THE EFFECTS OF LACTATION ON MENSTRUATION AND IMPREGNATION.

1. Of suckling women, 57 p.c. only have absolute amenorrhœa.
2. Forty-three per cent. menstruate more or less, but twenty have absolute regularity.
3. Impregnation does not take place so readily during lactation as at other times, but this is not true to such an extent as has been imagined.
4. If absolute amenorrhœa is present during lactation, the chances of impregnation occurring are only six out of one hundred.
5. If menstruation occurs during lactation, the chances are sixty in one hundred.
6. The more regular a woman is during lactation the more likely is she to become pregnant.
7. During a menstruating lactation the changes in the uterus are presumably similar to those connected with the ordinary monthly periods, and the mucous membrane forms a nidus for the ovum.
8. In the woman who does not suckle at all, the menses appear as a rule some time in the first six weeks after delivery.—Abstract of a paper by Dr. L. Remfrey before the Obstetrical Society, London.

VOMITING OF PREGNANCY.

A writer in the *Lancet* says: "I have not failed once for many years, by a single vesication over the fourth and fifth dorsal