

rice, and especially so in abdominal cases, but as a penetrating wound of the abdomen is a rare occurrence in civil life, the information derived from so many cases cannot fail to be of the greatest value and may modify the views at present held, but where a wound is received after a meal and by a bullet of low velocity, as the cases in civil practice, and patient can immediately be surrounded by every facility for modern aseptic proceedings, there is no doubt his chances for recovery are better when operated upon.

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