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This dislocation is very uncommon, which is my only excuse for bringing this case before the Society. The tibia rests in these cases from half an inch to three-quarters of an inch in front of its proper place.