

ation was the one selected. On sawing through the bone it was found to be completely separated from the periosteum, and the latter peeled off readily for some distance above the site of the operation. In consequence of this another piece of bone about one inch and a half long had to be removed, so that when completed only a very small portion of the shaft of the femur remained in the stump. The patient ultimately did well and will soon be able to leave the Hospital. Upon cutting into the joint after amputation it was found in a complete state of disorganization. The cartilages were entirely ulcerated away, and the ends of the bones bathed in unhealthy pus. The tissues around were much infiltrated and had a whitish appearance, highly characteristic of white swelling.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION,

(From our own Correspondent.)

The Association met on Tuesday the 7th May, in the Horticultural Hall, Philadelphia. Dr. Yandell, Kentucky, President, took the Chair, and the meeting was opened with prayer, after which Dr. Rogers welcomed the delegates to the city on behalf of the Committee of reception, and Dr. Hartshorne announced the programme for the entertainment of the distinguished visitors. The president then delivered his Annual Address in the course of which he approved of the migratory character of the association. He next referred to the present defective system of Medical Education in the United States. He reviewed the plan adopted in Germany, and said that the great demand in this country was for practical physicians, and laid great stress on the importance of Clinical Teaching. In regard to "Women Doctors," he said that their own sex did not incline to them, and he did not believe they would ever become very numerous, and he hoped they would never embarrass the association by application for membership. In the evening the delegates were entertained at the Biological and Microscopical section of the Academy of Natural Science, where about one hundred microscopes had been arranged with slides containing many interesting specimens of Natural History. Music was also provided for the occasion.