

hyperæsthesia is not nearly so intense as before. When the case first came in the hyperæsthetic tract was very much wider; no expansion of the anæsthesia has so occurred; no depression can be discovered. He is being treated expectantly with an idea of possibly doing a laminectomy later.

The same correspondent, writing from Cape Town under date of Dec. 13, says of No. 2 Hospital at Wynberg:

There is a large proportion of perforating abdominal wounds—9 are in at present. Curiously enough, most of them have done well under expectant treatment, a result at variance with most past experience. Colonel Duke attributes this to the fact that most of the men sustained their injuries whilst fasting, and thinks that the punctures inflicted on hollow viscera close up, under these circumstances, before extravasation can take place. Five spinal cases are in the hospital, with complete paraplegia. Laminectomy has been performed on one without result. The perforating chest wounds have done well almost uniformly. One case I saw was interesting. A Mauser bullet had entered just to the right of the thyroid cartilage and emerged slightly to the right of the ligamentum nuchæ, an inch below the occipital protuberance. No symptoms followed. In another case a Mauser bullet had entered the malar bone on one side, and emerged in the temporal region on the other. The result has been anosmia and diplopia, but no loss of visual acuity.

Surgeon C. Marsh Bradnell, R.N., with Lord Methuen's force, writing under date of Nov. 30, 1899, at the Battle of Modder River, says:

*The Mauser and the Lee-Metford.*—The next morning we quietly marched into the town and occupied it. The day was spent in burying the dead. The field hospital was very crowded this morning, over 400 dead and wounded. The wounds produced by the Mauser bullets are all that could be desired; the entrance and exit are practically of the same size and very minute. Most of the patients make an uninterrupted recovery. It is a more humane bullet than our own Lee-Metford for two reasons: its calibre is less and its velocity is considerably higher.

Under date of December 13th, the same correspondent writing of the battle of Magersfontein, says:

Yesterday we attempted to oust the enemy from their position in the Spytfontein and Magersfontein kopjes, but