

helpful changes which usually accompany a course of treatment.

It is refreshing to see that in the most advanced training schools for nurses, special attention is given to the culinary department. Nurses are thoroughly trained in the methods of preparing these various foods, and consequently eliminate any chance of serving their patients with food that will aggravate their trouble rather than nourish them. This is a step in the right direction, which I hope will soon be followed by the establishment of a chair of Dietetics in our universities. To-day the student is instructed in the elaborate methods of preparing tinctures and fluid extracts, and all the million and one drugs of which he is unable to remember even the names, and yet his course of instruction as to the value and action of the various foods is meagre in the extreme. He is not asked to write the formula or directions for preparing any special food; he has never prepared these foods himself, and for all the assistance derived from his medical studies he could not even say whether a food was properly prepared for his patient or not.

To the physician an exact knowledge of foods is the key to success in many cases; to the anxious mother, striving to prepare some tasty morsel, each fresh hint from the physician is seized with gratitude, and forms a further bond of union; and, as to the sick, who can measure their joy at the appearance of some fresh article of food to their limited bill of fare?

TWO CASES OF TUBAL PREGNANCY SUCCESSFULLY TREATED BY OPERATION.*

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Mr. President and Gentlemen—Ectopic gestation is by no means uncommon; cases are reported frequently in medical journals, and during the past two years a number have been brought before this Society; nevertheless, they are so important that it is our duty to record, at least briefly, every case. The two cases which I bring before you will, I trust, contribute something to aid in the early recognition of this unnatural and grave condition, and if they do I am content,

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