

2. In virtue of its peculiar affinity for the urine, into which it passes unchanged, and where it parts with formaldehyde. it is apparent that its action in genito-urinary lesions is likely to be complete and certain.

3. Its decisive and lasting effect, and especially its comparative singleness of action—which latter is a most desirable property—should give it a place in the list of medicinal specifics.

4. From the observations reported thus far, urotropin has appeared to be most frequently indicated in chronic diseases, where it has produced exceptionally good results.

5. In personal experience the diuretic action of the drug was not marked enough to render it deserving of claim to such a virtue.—J. M. Thompson, in *Boston Med. and Surg. Journal*, November 16th, 1899.

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"The Uterus Again."

Under this caption Fish (*Annals of Gynec. and Pediatrics*, March, 1899) gives his reason why the uterus should not be sacrificed, if possible to retain it. He would leave the uterus :
1. Because it is an important sexual organ in its natural site, and consequently not in the way of any other pelvic organ. 2. Because it preserves the vaginal vault, and, when *in suspensio*, maintains the contour and natural length of the vagina. 3. Because it precludes the possibility of vaginal hernia, prevents prolapsus vaginae, and delays atrophy of the vagina. 4. Because it minimizes nervous shock and depressing mental manifestations. 5. Because it maintains the pelvic diaphragm and the anatomical geography of the pelvic contents. 6. Because in the event of successful ovarian transplantation it might be reinstated as an organ of procreation.—*Internat. Med. Mag.*

The Value of Posture in the Treatment of Occipito Posterior.

Green (*Boston Med. and Surg. Jour.*, Vol. CXL, No. 21) states that in the early practice he was struck with the posture assumed during the first stage by many dispensary patients of kneeling by the bedside with the body forward over the bed and resting on the arms. This position brings the anterior wall of the uterus lowermost, and in an unengaged occipito-posterior position the back of the fetus must, by force of gravity, rotate on its long axis and become dependent. He has frequently