

of destroying the fœtus, which would not have much improved matters, and might have occasioned a fatal delay before resorting to laparotomy.

As far as I can recall to mind, I do not remember any published record of removal of a tubal foetation while another child was present *in utero*. The latter would probably have been carried on till full time had not my patient acquired the habit of abortion, for it was not expelled for a month subsequent to operation, and was not, therefore, a result of it.

Finally, we direct attention to the severe pain felt in Case 1 in the tops of the shoulders. If this pain, in one or both shoulder-tops, be a symptom of perforation of some abdominal viscus, (as it seems to be,) then it may in some instances of tubal pregnancy aid in determining the question of rupture, and consequently the propriety of immediate laparotomy. The same pain has been noted by others as well as myself in perforation of the stomach from gastric ulcer. Two such cases are reported by me in the *New York Medical Record* of January 5th of the present year, in one of which the diagnosis was verified by successful suture.

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## Clinical Notes.

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### A Case of Malingering.

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SOME months since I was consulted by a young woman, aged 22 years, who complained of rapidly-failing vision, dating from an attack of meningitis, the result of a sunstroke. Upon examination I found her vision for distance to be  $\frac{1}{6}$ th in each eye. The field of vision was but slightly affected, though she gave very contradictory answers to all tests. The pupils were widely dilated and fixed, and she was unable to read ordinary print at the usual distance, except by the aid of a strong convex lens, pointing to a paralysis of accommodation. Upon using the ophthalmoscope no departure from the normal was seen in the disc or retina, the blood vessels being of proper calibre and appearance. There was, however, a considerable amount of photophobia, which interfered with the examination to a certain extent.

Upon inquiry she told me she had not been using any belladonna, or drops of any kind in her eyes, which made me doubt the exact nature of the case. The dimness of vision for the distance looking like retro-bulbar disease, a sequelæ of the meningitis, I put her upon