

patient cried out, which, however, occurs in many instances with chloroform, where, as in this case, the patients afterwards declare they have not felt any pain.

To resume the foregoing observations, we may say in the first place, that vaginal compression generally produces a state of asthenia very suitable for the reduction of dislocations, &c., and that its application in such cases presents several advantages over chloroform, and is attended by none of its dangers. Its use may be considered as indicated in all cases of difficult reduction previous to the employment of any of the ordinary anaesthetics.

Secondly, in the case of tooth extraction, its employment produced, according to the patient, insensibility to pain, and it may probably be employed with advantage in many cases of the sort, and also in minor operations, such as for phimosis, &c.—*Practitioner, Dec. 1870.*

THE WONDERFUL TWINS—TWO HEADS ON ONE BODY.

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Seven miles east of Ashloy, Morrow county, Ohio, lives a Mr. Joseph Finloy, the father of the most wonderful living children known in the annals of history. The Siamese twins compared with these sink into insignificance. If there has ever been, either still-born or living, such a monster or monsters (I hardly know whether two or one), I have never heard of it. Mrs. Finloy was delivered of these children the 13th day of October, 1870. The actual period of labor lasting only twenty-five minutes, or at least they were born in twenty-five minutes after she awoke. A midwife performed the duties of the accoucheur, labor being so precipitate as not to permit the calling of a physician. She stated to me that labor was much more painful than with any of her three former children.

Mrs. Finloy met with no injury during pregnancy of any moment that could have anything to do with this strange malformation, with the exception that, about the middle of the third month of utero-gestation, while going into the house, she fell on the steps at the door. She states that from this time until she was delivered, "she never felt right." There was but one pla-