

Chloroform was then administered. I made gentle traction on the foot at the same time pushing the os up, and peeling it backwards as it were, over the child and finally delivered the patient of a fully matured child. The uterus now receded and the os reached the inferior strait. By adopting Crede's method and making traction on the cord the placenta came away. There was very little hæmorrhage. This was about five hours after the membranes broke. I kneaded the uterus for some time but there were no contractions. I gave an antiseptic douché and bandaged very lightly, and left our patient resting very comfortably. About twenty hours after she had a few slight after pains which gradually became more severe and lasted for three days. These were the only pains she had and she made an uninterrupted recovery. I saw her a few nights previous to writing, Dec. 9th, and found the uterus well contracted the os in the middle of the inferior strait, firm, and conical in shape with a cervix about an inch and a quarter in length.

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CLINICAL NOTES IN SURGICAL PRACTICE.

RECURRENT APPENDICITIS.

THERE is one form of appendicitis, viz : the *recurrent*, which, while offering no obstacles to the attending physician in making a diagnosis or in estimating the dangers consequent upon delay, yet from the comparative mildness of the symptoms—from the patient's stand point—permits him to pass from one attack to another without heeding the warning of his danger until the final attack of septic peritonitis makes operative interference too late. The following case fully illustrates the gravity of such conditions :

Mr. H., aged 45 had his first attack in February last, characterized by the usual symptoms of a mild form of appendicitis, and after a few days was up and about again. From that date he had eight attacks all comparatively mild with one or two exceptions. His physician on each occasion warned him of his danger and endeavoured to persuade him to submit to operation, but without avail until the attacks became so frequent as to make him think more