

4. That typhoid patients do better by keeping the bowels acting up to a certain point, rather than checking them, and will derive comfort and benefit from daily douching of the large intestine with warm or cool water.

SYMPTOMS OF RHEUMATISM IN THE ANKLES, WHICH POINT TO CANCER OF UTERUS.

In the *Charlotte Medical Journal*, September number, Dr. Engel draws attention to a symptom the import of which has not generally been recognized. In the cases he has met with, the patients, who were females, about the climacteric period complained of a painful affection of the feet, in which there was a constant and annoying sensation of tingling and pain, which was felt mainly in and about the ankles and resembled acute rheumatism; the joint was slightly swollen; no other evidence of disturbed sensation or motion existed, and no other symptoms other than some malaise and a mild hæmorrhoidal condition were present.

Such cases would most likely be treated for rheumatism, but certainly would not be benefited in the least by such treatment, no matter how long continued, for he states that, in his experience, these symptoms, where there is loss of weight and the least impression of a cachexia, generally indicate cancer of the uterus, especially where the bladder, rectum and broad ligaments are matted together and the neoplasm extends in a posterior direction, when these symptoms in the feet are among the earliest. Hence recognition of their bearing becomes important, as the serious malady they point to might be earlier recognized, and by radical operative interference life be saved.

THE MEANING AND IMPORT OF CASTS IN THE URINE WITHOUT ALBUMIN.

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A person who constantly or periodically passes urine containing casts, even without albumin, or perhaps with albumin in chemically demonstrable quantity, is not in good health. Such a person has a damaged constitution; his kidneys are, to say the least, vulnerable, and he is prone to contract and to succumb to other