

symptoms followed the operation, and the lady is now able to take moderate exercise. Dr W concurred with us, that the inflammatory attack had so thickened the structure of the organ, as to account for our want of success. We had, however, not then received the lesson, of the amount of force that may skilfully be employed without rupturing the vagina.

In conclusion, I would express a hope that, among your numerous subscribers, there may be found many who will be willing in the future to chronicle their failures, equally with their triumphs, being well assured that frequently the former will afford the more instructive lessons of the two.

MEDICAL SOCIETY FOR MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT.

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Dr. Goodman offered some remarks upon the treatment of croup. He had seen two cases of true inflammatory croup within a few days. In one case he was called in when the patient was nearly in articulo mortis. The child had previously been under the care of a homoeopath. In this instance great relief was afforded by keeping the patient in an atmosphere of vapour, but the disease terminated fatally. The other case was that of a child of three years of age, seen immediately after the occasion of grave symptoms. A canopy and vapourizing apparatus were promptly arranged, and the patient was kept respiring the moist warm air for several days, at the same time mercurial action was sought to be induced by calomel and half drop doses of Fleming's Tinct. of Aconite every two hours and mercurial inunction, as improvement became manifest a short dry cough was relieved by small doses of chloral hydrat. Zinc sulph. relieved the laboured breathing and promoted the expectoration of false membrane. The aconite was an excellent calnative, and promoted the action of the skin.

Dr. Mack recommended sulphate of copper in emetic doses very highly.

The Chairman, Dr. Oille, had employed the steam freely, and found the best results from the action of tartar emetic at the onset of the complaint, with hot baths, and emetics of alum to facilitate the expulsion of false membrane as the disease advanced.

Dr. Sullivan recommended iodide of potassium when mercurial action was tardy.