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**THE NON-INSTRUMENTAL TREATMENT OF DISEASES OF  
WOMEN.**

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The sphere of the gynæcologist is large, his power for usefulness and the accomplishment of good is great, and, I might add, his power for harm even greater. Not one word would I say or write in opposition to the legitimate operative procedures practised by these benefactors of humanity, but yet a comment. Their sphere, as said, is large, but at the same time limited. I would not essay to draw the line of limitation, were such a thing possible; yet it remains that "tinkering," as some have called it, is far too prevalent. The gynæcologist, perhaps blinded or dazzled by the glittering array of silvered instruments that constantly surround him, may at times do too much, and the number of ills that result from such work is legion. When gynæcologists advertise by circular-letter to the profession that ovaries will be removed for from \$25.00 to \$50.00 per pair, for simple dysmenorrhœa, it is highly necessary to call a halt. Painful as this affection may be, it is rarely of such gravity as to warrant such rash measures. Volumes have been written on the different forms of this affection, and yet up to a few years ago it was a problem that few could solve, treatment being simply palliative, and ineffectual as to permanent results. The majority of young women, both single and married, are subject to pain, more or less severe, at their menstrual periods, and on the whole, I daresay, functional derangement of the reproductive organs causes more suffering than any other one cause to which the female sex is liable. If this paper succeeds in attracting the attention of the readers of this journal to a mode of treatment that will in the majority of cases give excellent results, it will have accomplished its purpose. Such treatment is herewith mentioned,