

cysts, I was enabled to withdraw the rest of the tumour external to the abdomen. The attachments were few but strong, none of recent date, and principally to the omentum. The peduncle was long, the veins large and turgid, and not having one of Spencer Well's Clamps, I determined to secure it by the double whip-cord ligature, the ends being brought out at the lower angle of the wound and transfixed by a long needle which was passed through the whole of the abdominal walls. Two other long needles were also used, and several points of interrupted suture; long strips of adhesive plaster, and a flannel bandage completed the dressings.

Nothing of moment occurred during the operation; she rallied well, but complained more of pain in the back, and situation of the peduncle than is usual after these operations. Before the operation the pulse was rapid, an hour afterwards it had fallen to 80, but rose again in the evening to 112—and vomiting also took place. One grain of opium was given and ordered to be repeated until sleep was induced or the pain relieved.

May 1st, 1868, 7.30 a.m.—She passed a restless night from the pain in the back and lower parts of the wound, both of which have now passed away and she feels comfortable; pulse 104, soft; skin moist; tongue whitish; and urine secreted in good and normal quantities. 10 p.m. The opium caused vomiting and was consequently omitted, the stomach is now comfortable, she has no pain, is cheerful, and inclined to talk—I injected a quarter of a grain of morphine subcutaneously.

May 2nd, 8 a.m. She passed a good night, sleeping about seven hours, but now complained of griping pains flying from place to place, with general tenderness of the abdomen and slight tympanitis. Her countenance is good; skin moist; pulse 100 soft; respirations not increased, urine secreted in healthy quantities and she feels no pain when the griping passes away. To have one grain of opium immediately and repeated in an hour, and Turpentine Mix, in mucilage occasionally.

May 2nd, noon.—The opium caused vomiting again, but was used because the syringe was not at hand. She is quite free from pain; pulse 94, skin moist; and she is cheerful.

10 p.m. Quite easy and feels inclined to sleep. There has been a quantity of dark coffee-ground looking discharge from the uterus all day.