

in the back and lumbar region. Catamenia normal; no cough; general health good. Gave a guarded diagnosis. Considered it either a case of incipient ovarian enlargement, or one of psoas abscess. Owing to the apparent good state of the general health, inclined to consider the ovarian disease as most probable, though rather staggered by the occasional pain in the back and regularity of the menses. Prescribed no medicine, but recommended special care as to the preservation of the general health, and promised to see her again in a month. Saw her again in November. Tumour enlarged to size of half a goose-egg, or nearly so, as far as could be judged, as it was difficult yet to isolate it. It felt very hard. Diagnosed ovarian disease. General health pretty good, but patient rather thinner and had not very good appetite. Prescribed potassii iodid gr. iij., infusi gent. ʒj. ter de die. Recommended the patient to go, as soon as the winter roads were established, and see Dr. Worthington of Sherbrooke, and obtain his opinion on the case. She saw Dr. W. the beginning of January 1858, who agreed with my diagnosis, and concurred in my prescription, wishing however to add the use of the compound iodine ointment locally. I saw the Doctor soon afterwards, and told him I thought it would be advisable to continue the medicinal treatment for some time, in hopes to arrest the disease, in which he fully concurred; but I expressed the intention,—if the patient were willing, as I believed she would be,—in case of the medicinal treatment failing, to attempt the extirpation of the tumour, provided it increased so much as to render it certain there would be no other means of saving the patient, and requested Dr. W.'s assistance, which he promised to afford.

Saw the patient January 24th. Found the tumour enlarging slowly, and I fancied softening. Continued treatment. Feb. 3d, saw her again. Tumour somewhat larger, and fluctuation I thought perceptible. Feb. 20th, saw her again, and was somewhat surprised by the appearance of a soft tumour, or, more properly speaking, an enlargement of a portion of the upper arm (left), apparently attached to the bone and surrounding tissues,—not very large, probably about an inch in diameter. The ovarian, or supposed ovarian tumor apparently about stationary. March 1st, ovarian tumour about the same; swelling on arm considerably larger, and having a good deal the appearance (particularly owing to its attachment to the bone and surrounding parts) of medullary sarcoma. If so, then in all probability the supposed ovarian disease was the same. Was a good deal concerned, but considered it best to continue the treatment as before, and wait some further development. March 24th, found the ovarian tumour still stationary, but the swelling on arm much en-