

gently away, one by one, until it begins to come out freely. In my second case, where the fingers were used, the ligament broke, and the canal had to be opened up before it could be again seized.

5. In this region, an elastic bandage put round the waist and thighs will be found more effective in keeping the wound aseptic than a large dressing with an ordinary flannel bandage, as the former adapts itself to the varying position of the limbs, and prevents air from being drawn under the dressings.

Dr. Reid then goes on to say :—

“ Referring to the results of the cases only, it seems to me that we cannot promise much in the way of certain and immediate relief from this operation. It remedies the *position*, but not the *condition*, of the uterus. I caught at it because, although often using severe means, I have been very unsuccessful in curing chronic hypertrophy of the womb, especially when accompanied, as it so often is, by some form of displacement. The results of this operation, as I have given them, although far from brilliant, are such as to lead me to continue practising it in obstinate cases, in the hope that, the malposition being remedied, the disordered condition may be more readily subdued.”

Dr. Elder's case was most satisfactory in its results. It was a well-marked case, had resisted all ordinary methods of treatment, and was completely relieved of her symptoms.

Mr. Burton of Liverpool stated that he had operated in 14 cases, and was well satisfied with the results obtained, believing that he had produced benefits not to be achieved by any other method in so short a time.

Dr. Alexander, who was also present, referred to several points in connection with the operation. 1, The ligaments were delicate structures, and difficult to find ; and operations might fail in the hands of inexperienced surgeons, from failing to catch them up properly or separate them. 2, The ligaments must be made to adhere to the parts effectually before the patient was allowed to get up. Some had objected to the long time before the patients were allowed to get out of bed. This was intentional, not dependent on the state of the wound. To allow the patients to get up earlier would have destroyed the effects of