

tions of this kind generally, and especially in the case under consideration, was the slight loss of blood.

Mr. Wood also drew attention to the condition of the man, which had much improved since he had taken the sulpho-carbolate of iron, and as he believed him to be pretty well "carbolicised," he hoped pyæmia would be averted.

The man has continued to do pretty well since the operation, and his general health has improved. The sinus leading to the tuberosity of the ischium still remains open, due to some carious bone still remaining.—*Medical Press and Circular*.

#### GAUZE BANDAGES FOR STUMPS.

"In dressing stumps, compound fractures, and burrowing abscesses," says Dr. Washburn, "I often found it difficult (as, I presume, has every surgeon) to prevent, by the ordinary bandage and compress, accumulations of pus, without at the same time running the risk of closing the orifices; or, when attempting to avoid this, I would generally have the wound and a certain portion of the adjacent flesh bulging disagreeably through the openings left in the dressing to allow of drainage. To avoid this I was induced to make use of bandages of mosquito-netting, which I found I could apply directly over a wound without interfering with its discharge. I prepare the bandage by cutting new mosquito-netting into long strips of from three to four inches in width, and rolling it upon small strips of wood, so that it can be handled as an ordinary roller bandage. It seemed to me upon trial, that the mosquito-net bandage accomplished much more rapidly the closing of stumps, etc., than the methods I had previously employed, and was, besides, neat in appearance. As the majority of stumps heal by granulation, they may be nicely compressed and supported by bandages of this material. Where the material is not strong enough, it may be used double, or the roller passed twice over the same place. After the bandage has been applied, a cloth dipped in water or spread with cerate may be laid over the openings, to exclude the air and prevent the pus drying, and so closing the wounds. I have no doubt but that a better material than mosquito-netting could be found or manufactured for the purpose; but, in the absence of a better, it