

and wonderfully improved the appearance of the patient, who was otherwise quite a pretty girl. I thus established myself in the good graces and confidence of my pupils. I may here state that this operation was performed long before the days of anesthetics.

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VERMONT STATE DENTAL SOCIETY

MONTREAL CONVENTION.

"Dr. G. Lennox Curtis, of New York, described his experiences with cocaine, some of which were gruesome enough. He ascribed the gray hairs in his head to the narrow escapes of some of his patients through its use. In some cases what would be just right for one would bring another to death's door almost. He had found it safe to precede the use of cocaine by giving the patient the *homœopathic drug gelsminum*. Cocaine was a poison; it was also a heart paralyzer; and it should be used with caution. Its character and effects should be studied; and there should be an intimate knowledge of its use before it was employed."—*Wituss*.

EARLY SAW-BONES.

Hippocrates performed amputations, used forceps, adjusted fractures and operated on the leading organs for various lesions B. C. 400

Esculapius practiced surgery among the Greeks and was deified after death B. C. 950.

The Pythagoreans began visiting the sick and prescribing for various ailments B. C. 520.

The Egyptian priests practiced amputations and made artificial legs and arms B. C. 700.

Remarkable advance was made in the science of medicine by Galen in 769.

FOR THE EYES.

When the eyes ache close them for five minutes.

When they burn bathe them in water as hot as can be borne, with a dash of witch hazel in it.

After weeping bathe them in rose water and lay a towel wet in rose water over them for five minutes.

When they are bloodshot sleep more.

When the whites are yellow and the pupils dull consult your doctor about your diet.

FEEDING PNEUMONIA PATIENTS.

The following rules, it is stated, may be laid down as to feeding pneumonia patients: 1. Give no solid food. 2. Let the food be simple and nutritious. 3. Give food at frequent intervals and in small quantities. 4. Let the patient have all the pure cold water and cooling drinks he may desire. 5. Solid food, given during convalescence, will often cause a relapse.—*Medical Summary*.

OPENING DAY.

The opening of the new wing took place April 24th and 25th, and proved quite a success. Many of the friends of the hospital availed themselves of the opportunity to inspect the new premises, and expressions of approval were heard from many visitors of the cheerful appearance.

Although the work was not completed on all the building, the private rooms with their attractive furnishings were open and available for patients.

The dispensary had occupied its new and convenient rooms for some time, out-door patients being treated there daily from 12 to 1 o'clock. Besides the inspection of the building the Woman's Auxiliary had provided other attractions for opening day, as visitors found a cosy cup of tea or ice-cream could be obtained in the rooms usually devoted to more serious and less attractive dispensing.

The dining room was used for a sale of candy and useful and fancy articles. These being moderate in price were well patronized.

For several weeks diligent enquiries had been made for dolls of all kinds and conditions to be loaned for the Dolls' Show, which was on view in the Board Room. It was a surprise to the committee as well as their friends to find how generous had been the response to the requests, and that one hundred and forty dolls were on exhibition, the oldest being 67 years of age and well preserved.

That it was a good object lesson was demonstrated by the remarks of one little visitor, who thought "it was a good place for children to go to, to see how well the dolls were kept long ago."

A young lady was on hand to introduce each ancient or modern favorite, giving her family history, pleasing or pathetic as the case might be.

There were dolls for sale, dressed in correct costumes of other hospitals. A little poem which had been sent to the committee and printed, descriptive of some of the dolls, added by its sale to the funds, which amounted to over one hundred and seventy-five dollars.