

operation I suffered for years with backache, excruciating headaches, loss of appetite, insomnia, a depressed feeling and lowness of spirits, besides other troubles which you are well aware of. Now I am happy to tell you that I feel like a new woman. No more aches or pain, have fair appetite, rest and sleep well.

"I remain, yours most thankfully, R. L. McL."

"*Dear Dr. Alloway*,—Allow me to express my gratitude for the happy results of the operation performed by you some time ago. I may say that the result was far beyond my anticipations.

Yours truly,

M. H."

CASE OF MUMMIFIED FŒTUS.

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Early on the morning of 30th January, 1890, I was called to attend a primipara, æt. 24, presenting symptoms of threatened abortion. She had last menstruated about the beginning of August, and reckoned herself in the sixth month of pregnancy. About 1 A.M. on 30th January she was awakened with a sharp hemorrhage, followed in an hour by expulsive pains. About 4 A.M. I saw her and found the abdomen of normal size and appearance—foetal movements distinct—foetal heart-sounds 160 per minute, head midway between the umbilicus and the middle of Poupart's ligament. On vaginal examination a slight flow was found still persisting, the parts were moist and soft, the os slightly dilated. Rest and full doses of opium were prescribed; in consequence the pains soon subsided and the flow ceased for a few hours. At noon she had a severe rigor, followed shortly by strong expulsive pains. When I saw her again at 4 P.M. it was quite evident that abortion could not be prevented, so I stopped the opium, dilated the os with the finger, and ruptured the membranes; in an hour a living child was born, but died in a few minutes. The placenta and membranes were delivered *entire* by expression. The uterus, however, remaining abnormally large, I made a vaginal examination and found another foetal head protruding through the os; I hooked my finger over the neck and brought