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A CASE OF EXTRA-UTERINE FŒTATION.* OPERATION AND REMOVAL AT THIRTEEN MONTHS.

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Mr. President and Fellows,—Originally, I intended merely to exhibit this specimen and make a short report of the case; but on looking back over the past ten years, I can now see many cases that have gone “the way of all flesh” undiagnosed, consequently puzzling and most vexatious, causing unhappiness, for the time at least, to myself and no doubt to some of the friends of my patients. And having had the subject brought most forcibly before my mind recently by two cases—one where the post-mortem showed a ruptured tubal pregnancy to be the cause of death, and the other where a suspected tubal pregnancy led to operation when the condition present proved to be one of pyosalpinx and an enlarged ovary—I determined on dilating more fully on the subject.

I find, on reviewing the writings of the best authors on this subject, that many prominent men differ in their opinions, and very unflattering epithets have been used, even by the first men in the profession, over such differences. “*Extra Uterine Gestation*,” “*Ectopic or Ectopian Gestation*,” is the development of the impregnated ovum outside its normal locality. To trace out the pathological conditions existing one must of necessity

* Read before the Medico-Chirurgical Society of Montreal.