

the serous portions of the milk are absorbed slowly and the fatty matter left. The contents of a galactocoele are usually more fluid than in the case above recorded.

CASE II—*Multiple Cystoma of Both Breasts.*

Mrs. H., of Quebec, aged 40, a thin, spare woman, mother of one child aged 12, consulted me on June 7th, 1886, for a small tumor of the right breast. She had much trouble with this breast when nursing, but had not noticed this growth until a few days before. On examination, found above and close to the nipple a distinct tumor of the right breast, about the size of a walnut, freely movable, hard, and non-fluctuating. There was no retraction of the nipple and no discoloration of the skin. I regarded it as a fibroma and recommended removal. The operation was performed on June 8th, 1886. On cutting over the tumor and attempting to dissect it out I accidentally cut into it, when it immediately collapsed, emptying itself of a straw-colored fluid. On examining the breast further I found that numerous other small cysts existed, so it was decided to remove the breast, which was accordingly done. On cutting into the breast after removal it was seen to be studded with cysts from the size of a split pea to that of a bean, and containing a clear semi-gelatinous fluid. She made a good recovery, and I did not see her again until February of the present year, when she consulted me about a similar tumor of the left breast, immediately inside the nipple. As this had the same characteristics as the previous one, I diagnosed a cyst and advised removal. The breast was removed, and, as I had supposed, the tumor was cystic. This breast also was studded with innumerable small cysts. The patient recovered rapidly with two dressings and without any elevation of temperature.

In this case the tension of the cyst was so great that no fluctuation could be made out (although the case was carefully examined), and the hardness and mobility of the tumor gave it the exact feel of a fibroid. These cysts, as a rule, appear quite suddenly and grow rapidly. I have at present a similar case under observation in a young woman, where there are two cysts