

tissue, and suture the lips of the wound, introducing gauze into the canal.

If, besides subinvolution, I find the tubes and ovaries diseased, I make no promise until I know what result will follow the treatment of these organs. If no good result follows, then I advise a laparotomy. If dysmenorrhœa exists combined with retroversion, the first thing for you to do is to restore that uterus, if possible, to a normal position, and if it is bound down by adhesions, then surgical interference is at once indicated.—Dr. A. Palmer Dudley, in *Internat. Jour. of Surg.*

### MEDICAL NOTES.

Many cases of *Aortic Regurgitation*, Prof. Hare says, will be benefited by *digitalis*.

The best way to treat *Abscesses of the Liver*, Prof. Keen says, is by abdominal section and not by aspiration.

Dr. Wolff advises the use of calomel during the early stages of *Pneumonia* on account of its effect on the exudate.

In no other disease than *Pneumonia*, Prof. Wilson says, is the chill at the onset of the disease so constant and severe.

Prof. Keen says *Papillomata*, or warty tumors, very often, during the cancerous age of life, degenerate into epitheliomatous growths.

Prof. Brinton says the adhesive straps in a case of *Fracture of the Ribs* should be applied to the chest during the time of expiration.

Bromides combined with opium, Prof. Hare says, will often prevent the nauseating effects which *Opium* has on many persons.

*Lavage of the Stomach*, Prof. Montgomery says, will sometimes dislodge wind in the small intestines and also set up peristaltic movements.

In cases of *Alcoholism* in which nervous irritability is such as to require chloral as a sedative, Prof. Hare says strychnine should always be combined with the chloral.

The milk of *asafoetida*, with the addition of a few drops of turpentine and well mixed, Prof. Hare says, will often prove very useful in relieving *Flatulence* occurring in typhoid fever.

Prof. Parvin says *Tuberculosis*, if in the early stage, is often interrupted in its progress during a pregnancy; but if it be in the later stages it will be increased in its progress by a pregnancy.

Prof. Parvin says a *Thrombosis* of the vulva, which is due to varicose veins, should not be opened until at least three days after labor has

taken place, on account of the great danger of a hemorrhage taking place, which may prove fatal.

Prof. Hare does not believe that ergot possesses any value in the treatment of cases of *Hæmoptysis*, but that in many other cases it is a powerful drug to administer.

Dr. Da Costa says the *Radical Operation for Hernia* does not, as a rule, prove successful in patients who are past middle life, on account of the atrophy which the tissues have already undergone.

Prof. Parvin says the best local application for *Thrush* in the infant is to freely pencil the patches three to four times a day with a solution of borax, of the strength of twenty grains to the ounce.

Prof. Parvin says if *Leucæmia* develops in a pregnant woman, it is best to terminate the pregnancy early, as the ending of pregnancy seems to exert a favorable influence on the disease.

Prof. Parvin regards the fact that the presenting part, either late in pregnancy or early in labor, in the pelvic cavity is a strong proof that the presentation is neither face nor pelvic, but vertex.

Dr. Parvin says *Albuminuria* in the primigravida occurs generally at the end of the seventh or beginning of the eighth month, while in the multigravida it occurs generally at the beginning of the ninth month.

Prof. Keen says when there are chills and sweats, accompanied by high fever and other signs of the presence of pus in the economy, if no cause can be found the liver should be carefully examined for the presence of an *Abscess*.

Prof. Wilson does not think that caustic applications should be applied to the membrane in *Diphtheria*, nor does he think that the membrane should be detached by the aid of instruments. He prefers the application of a mild antiseptic spray.

The use of purgatives during an attack of *Puerperal Infection*, Prof. Parvin thinks, is seldom advisable excepting in the beginning of a peritoneal inflammation, when it will be beneficial to have a free and copious evacuation of the bowels by the use of salines.

As a spray to the membrane of *Diphtheria*, which will act as a solvent, Prof. Wilson recommends:—

R.—Olei eucalypti, . . . . . f ʒ ij.  
Sodii benzoatis, . . . . . ʒ j.  
Sodii bicarbonatis, . . . . . ʒ ij.  
Glycerini, . . . . . f ʒ ij.  
Aquæ calcis, q. s. ad . . . . . Oij.—M.

Sig.—Apply as a spray to the membranes every half hour for from three to five minutes at a time.