

placed in bed, cold water dressing applied and ordered an anodyne at bedtime.

March, 25.—Patient passed a very comfortable night and the wound looks very well. Ordered beef tea, oatmeal gruel, and anodyne at night. Continue water dressing.

March, 26.—Doing well. There is a slight discharge of healthy looking pus from the lower portions of the wound. Continue treatment.

March, 31.—Everything has gone on favorably since last note. The wound has nearly all united by first intention, except the dependent portions on either side, which are purposely kept open to allow any matter to escape. There is also a small abscess in the anterior portion of the thigh, which empties itself through the original opening, which communicated with the joint. Two of the sutures removed to-day. He is now allowed a more generous diet, with a little wine whey, and citrate of iron and quinine. Appetite improving.

April, 4.—All the sutures removed. The anterior portion of the wound is now completely healed and the discharge which is tolerably free and healthy, finds exit from the lower portions of the wound.

April 14.—Since last note patient's general condition has gone on improving. He had a slight chill and passed a rather uncomfortable night a few days ago, owing to the formation of a small abscess on the outer portion of the leg, just below the line of incision. The abscess was freely opened and a poultice applied, and he is now quite easy. To-day the limb was removed from the splint for the first time, and a considerable amount of union was found to have taken place. It was changed to a well padded wooden box, the outer side of which extended up nearly to the axilla, and the foot was secured to a footboard. Water dressing continued.

April 16.—The wooden box was not found to answer so well as the tin splint, and he has not been so comfortable since the limb was moved. It was accordingly replaced in the original splint to-day.

May 24.—Patient has gone on progressing favorably since last note nothing worthy of record having occurred. His appetite is good, sleeps well at night, tongue clean, pulse soft and about 75, and there is now very little discharge from the wound. Union has taken place so that the limb can be moved with little or no pain. He was allowed to sit up a little while to-day, the limb having been first placed in a splint, made in such a manner that, as he gets stronger, he can walk with it on. It consists of a strap of iron, about half an inch wide and one-eighth of an inch thick, extending from the buttock to the foot, where it is turned up, and a wooden foot piece fastened on. It is covered with leather both above