

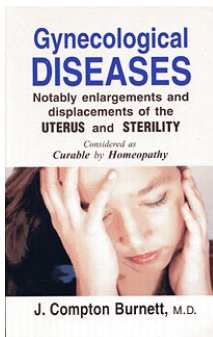
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Organ Diseases of Women.

INTRODUCTION.

THE uterus or womb being a living organ adapted for special purposes has peculiarities all its own. In its early life—in fact at any time in its maiden state—its main function is, so to speak, to keep out of the way and obtrude itself upon its owner as little as may be: it has to bide; its day is not yet. Hence the virgin womb is—at any age—if quite healthy,

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and a normally undisturbed part of a normal person—a very small affair, and it finds no great difficulty in keeping out of the way and out of the reckoning. In shape and appearance, and, indeed, in size it may fairly fitly be compared to a pretty big inverted pear, but not so oval: the stem of the pear corresponding to the neck of the womb, and the thick end to the body and fundus. The normal virgin womb balloons about within the abdomen out of harm's way: it is light and hollow, and somewhat supported laterally, and so long as it is in this happy state of unawakened life, and so long as it is normal in its health, so long is it without trouble and giving none.

THE HAEMORRHOIDAL UTERUS;
STERILITY.

On October 8, 1889, a married lady, 28 years of age, consulted me for what I sometimes think of as a hemorrhoidal Uterus, viz: the period is disturbed, and the haemorrhoidal veins seem to bleed vicariously for the endometrium, the period itself being scanty. This lady had only one little girl 5 years of age, but she was most desirous of having more family, and her husband very desirous of having an heir, he possessing large estates. I began the treatment with *Nux* 30 and *Sul.* 30 night and morning in alternation. Patient had been to Schwalbach to no purpose.

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A baby girl came in due course, and all went well.

October 13, 1891.—Patient did not suckle her little girl, and the uterus is now subinvoluted; the piles are again to the force, and her husband is most anxious for a son and heir. *Nox* 30 and *Sul.* 30 were given, as on the previous occasion.

January 9, 1892.—Is weak.

Rx Levico (strong), 10 drops in water at bedtime.

Feb. 11.—Period four days late.

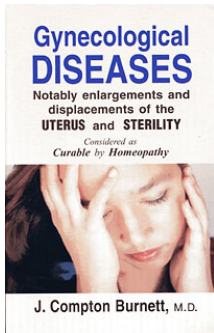
Rx Thuja 30.

March 14.—Period one day late.

May 5.—*Bellis perennis* .

September 26.—Piles rather worse, *Nux* 30 and *Sul.* 30.

January 10, 1893.—Patient is depressed, and despairs of ever



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