The Antique Art of Proctology

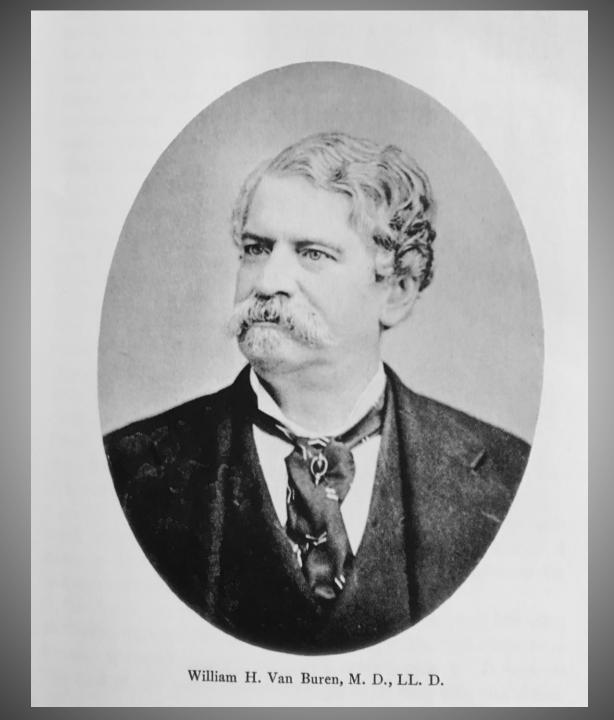
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Dinner Conversation with Dr. Goldberg

- Me: I don't think there has been a significant advance in proctology since the 1950s.
- Dr. Goldberg: That's ridiculous. What about the LIFT procedure?
- Me: Okay, I'll give you the LIFT procedure. What about the stapled hemorrhoidectomy?
- Dr. Goldberg: That should never be done.
- Me: That's my point.

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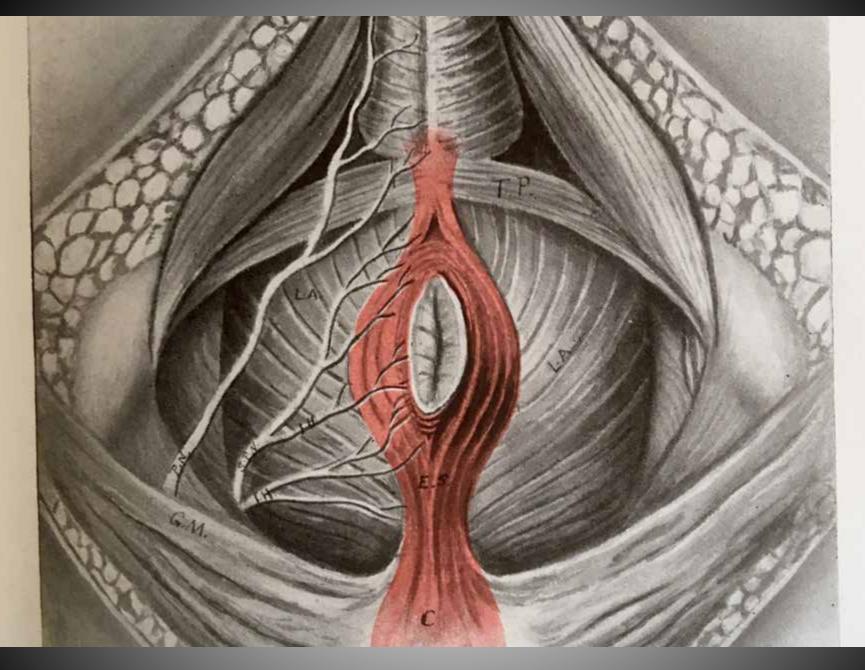
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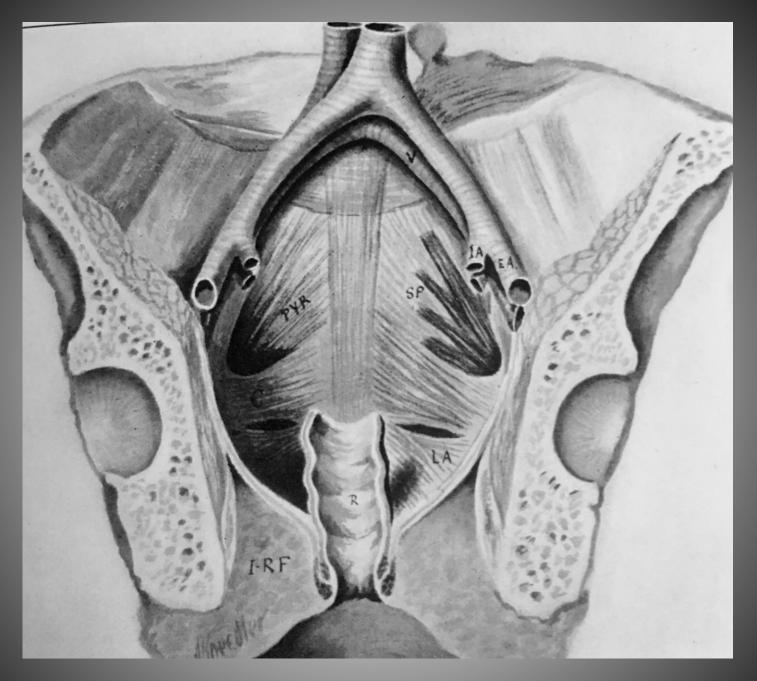
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Obsolete?

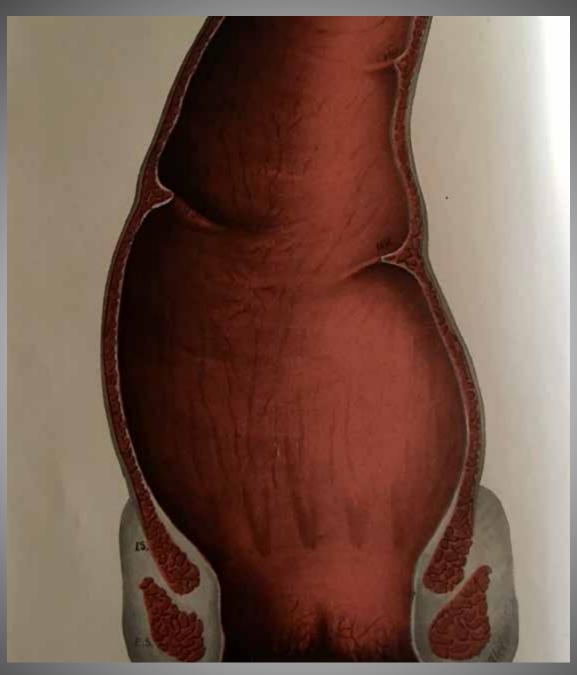
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Pelvic Anatomy

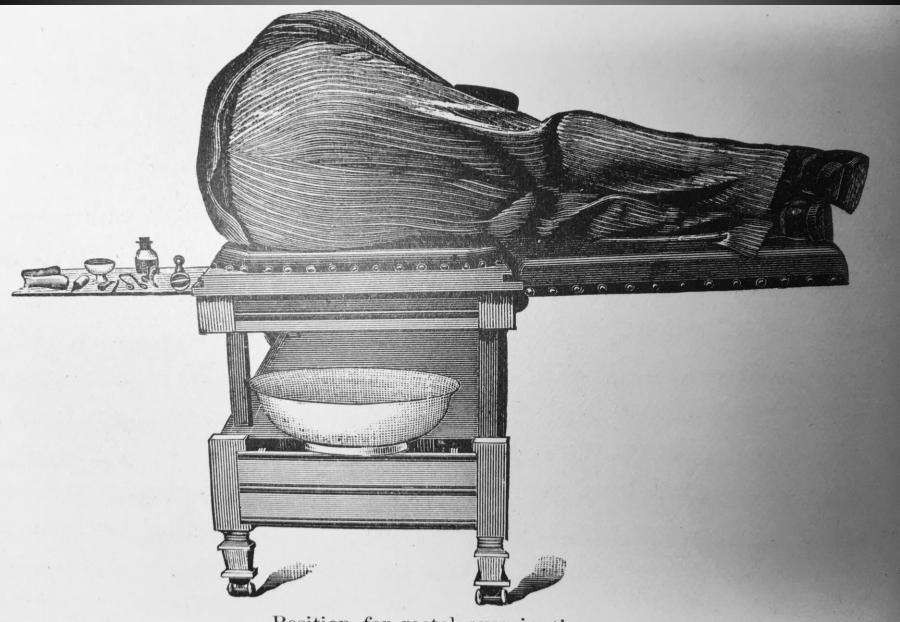


Pelvic Anatomy



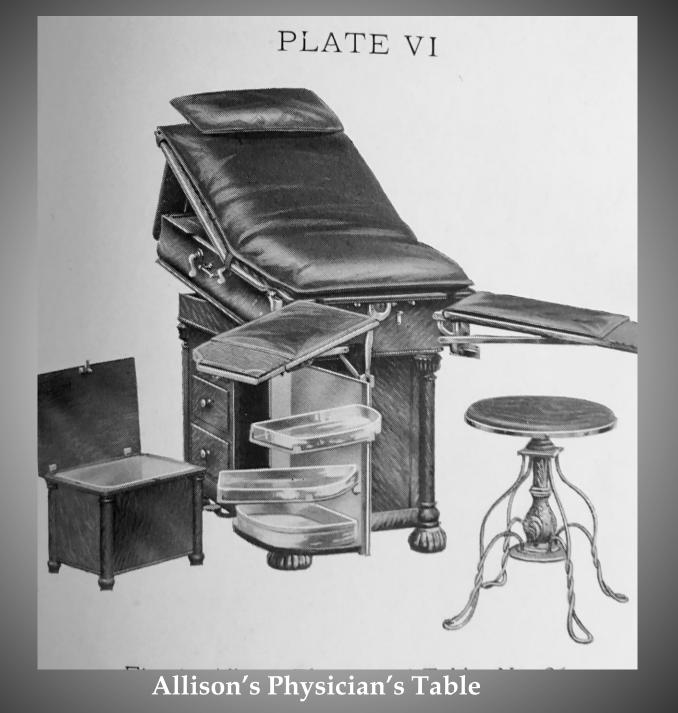
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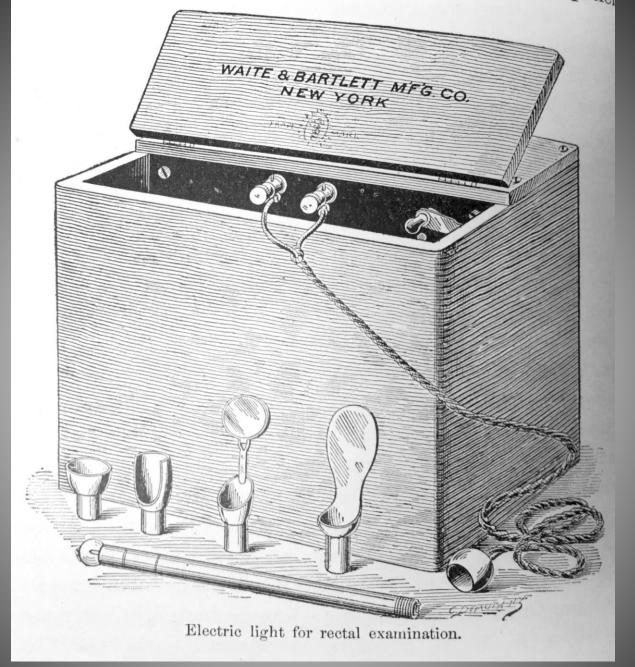
Tools of the Trade



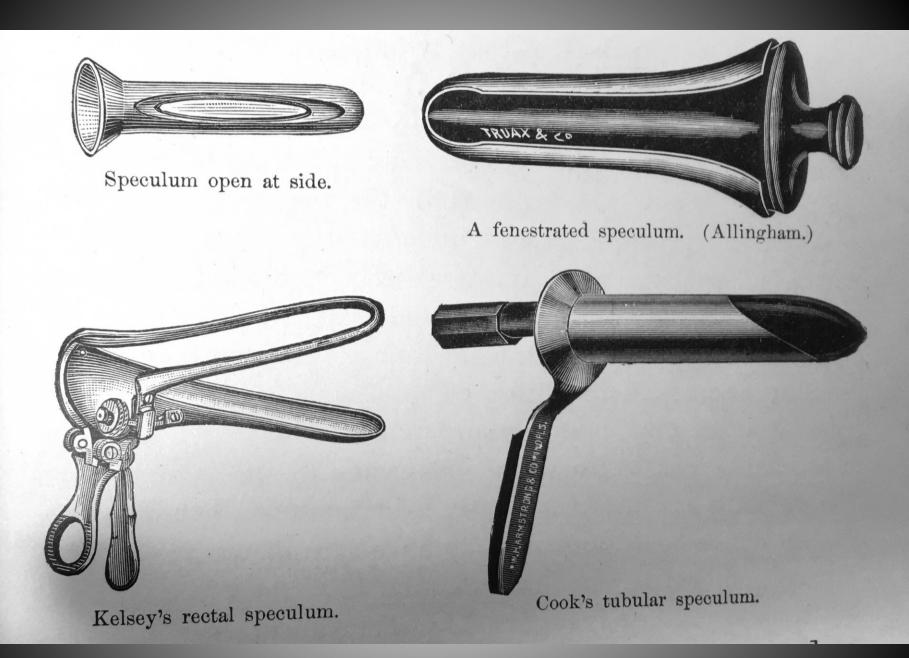
Position for rectal examination.

Proctologic exam table





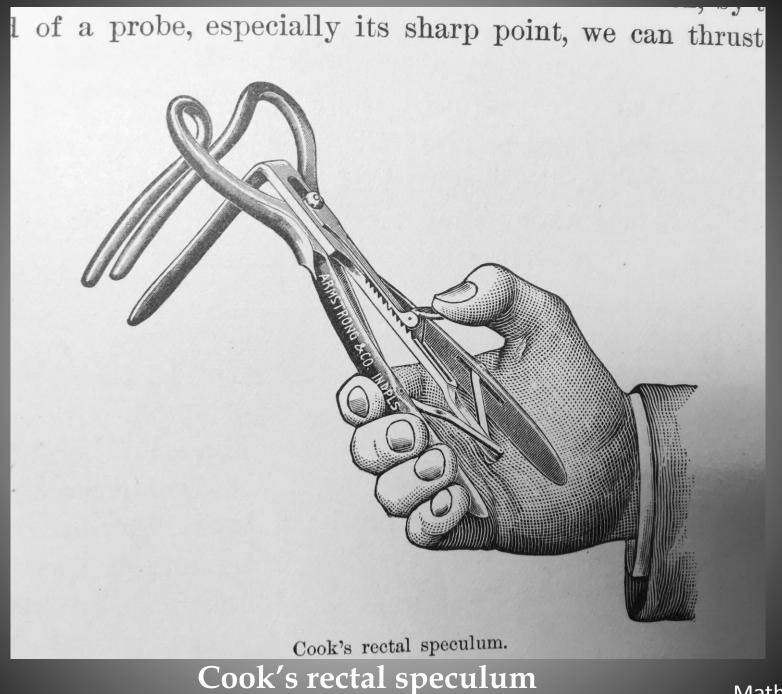
Proctoscope with battery light source.

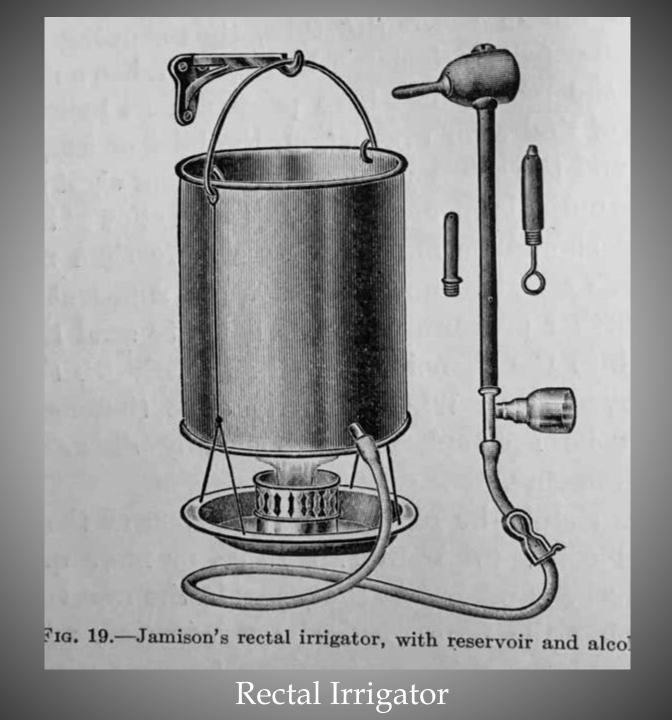


Anoscopes



The Albright Improved Rectal Set



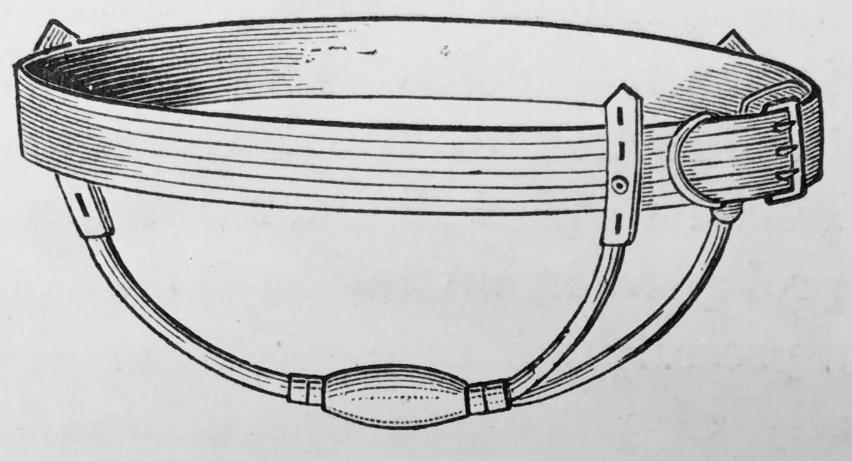


Hemorrhoids



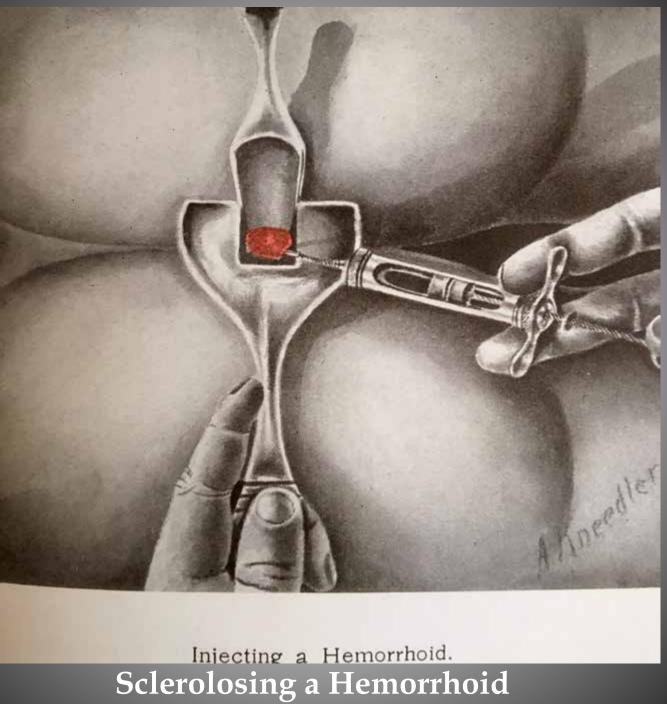
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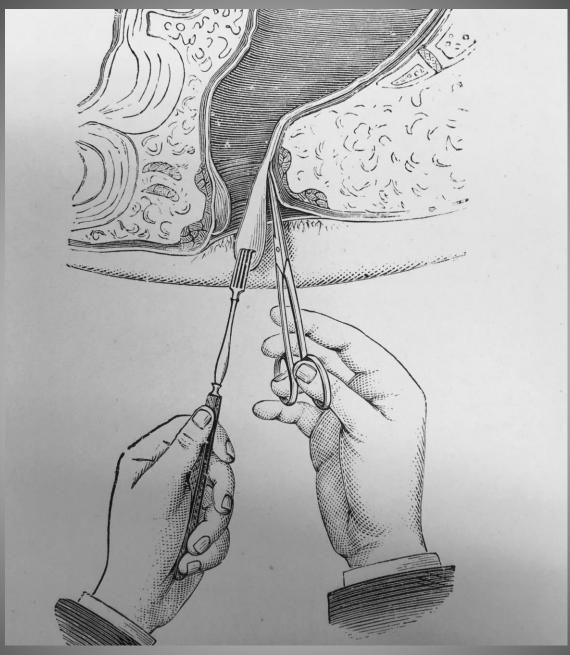
of the bowel and blood-vessels



Pile supporter elastic.

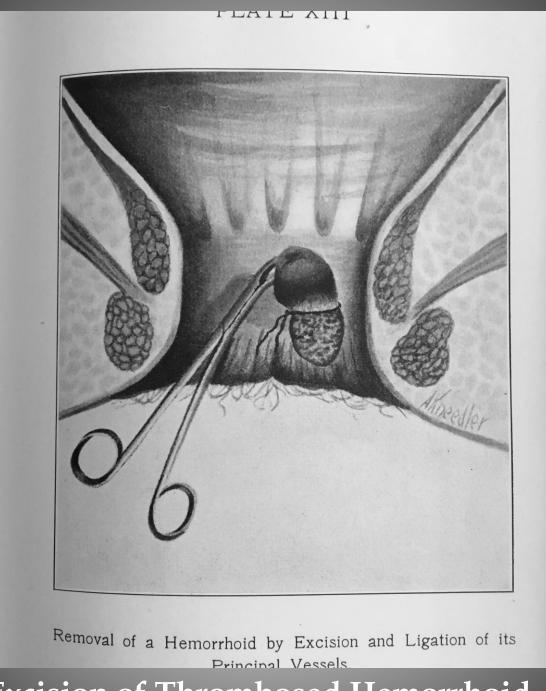
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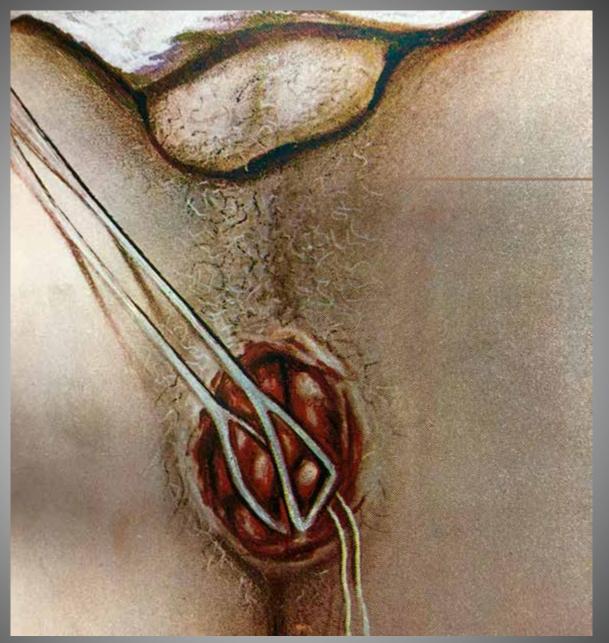


Hemorrhoidal excision

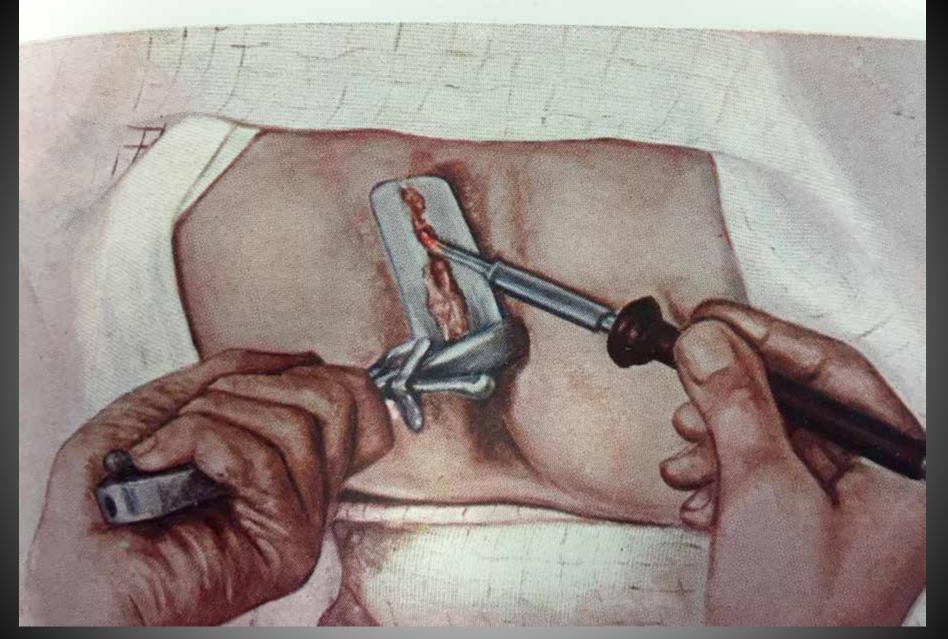
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Excision of Thrombosed Hemorrhoid

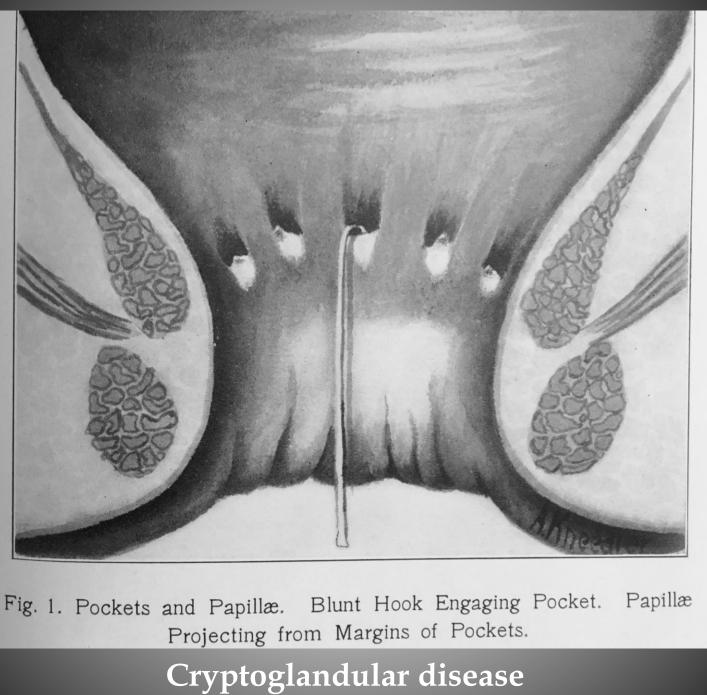


Sutured hemorrhoidectomy.

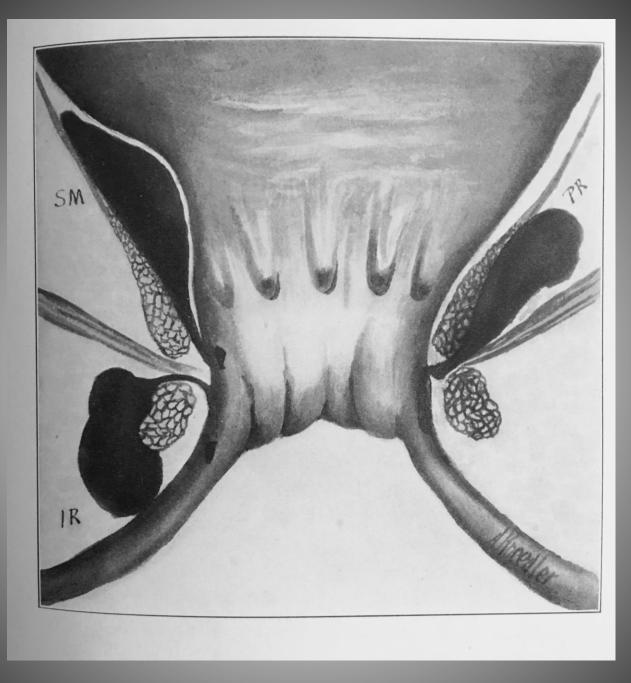


Hemorrhoidectomy

Fistulas and Abscess

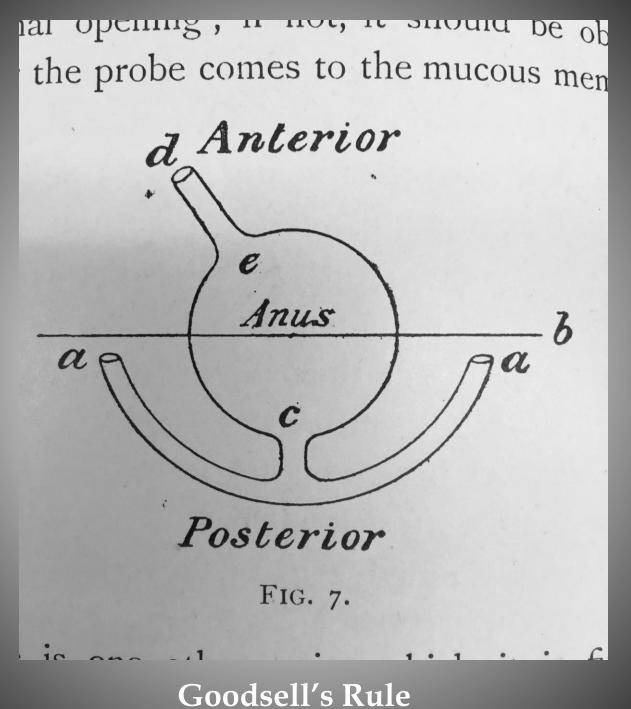


Van Buren

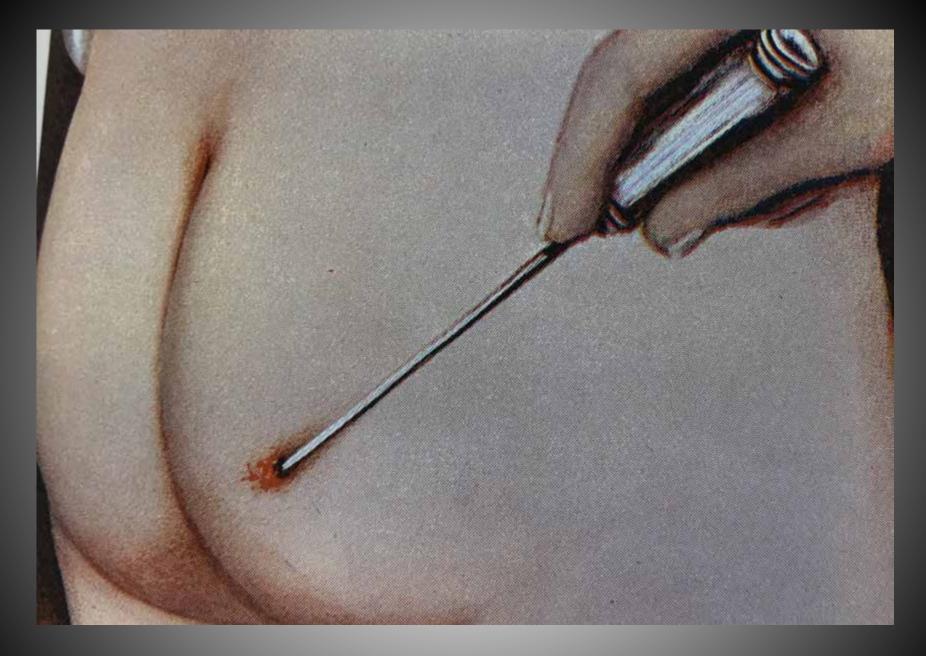


Perirectal Abscesses

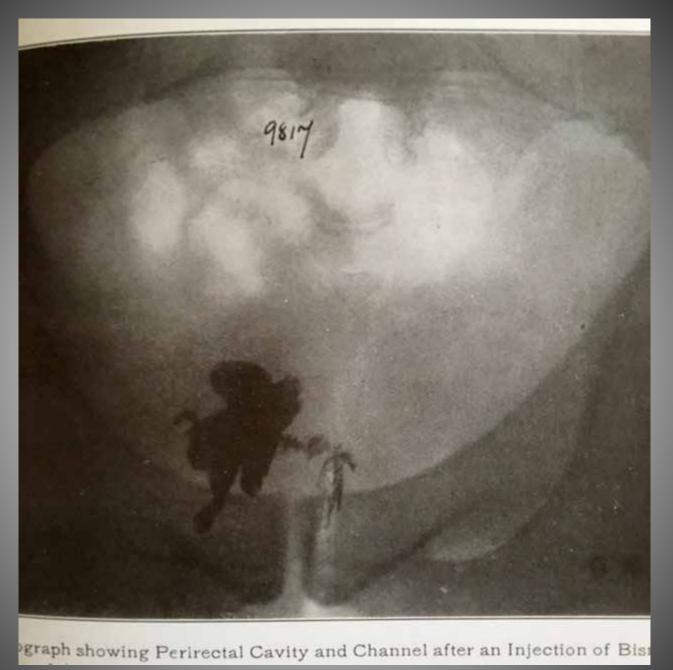
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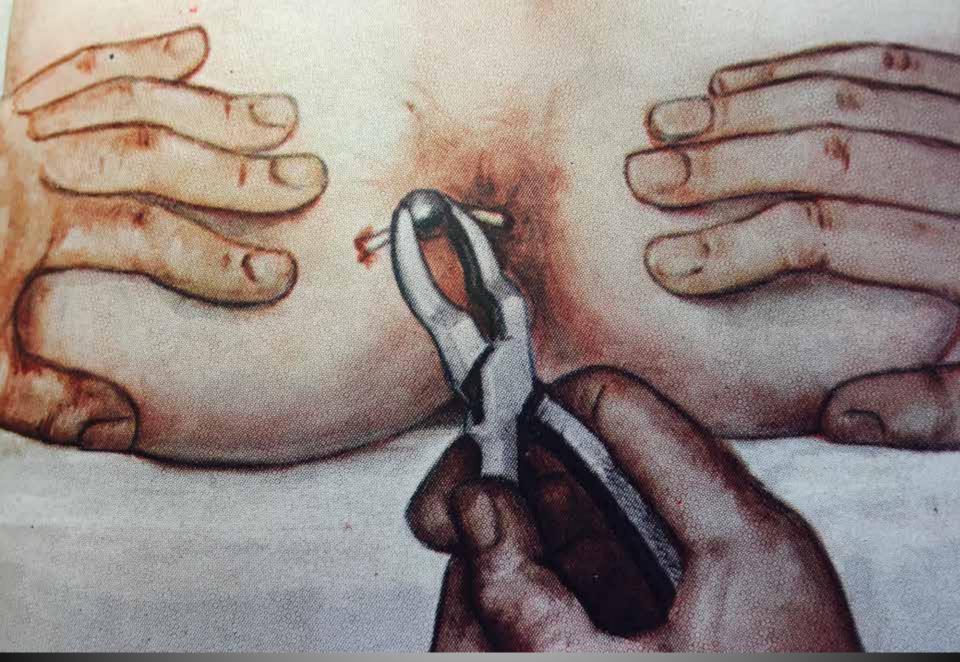
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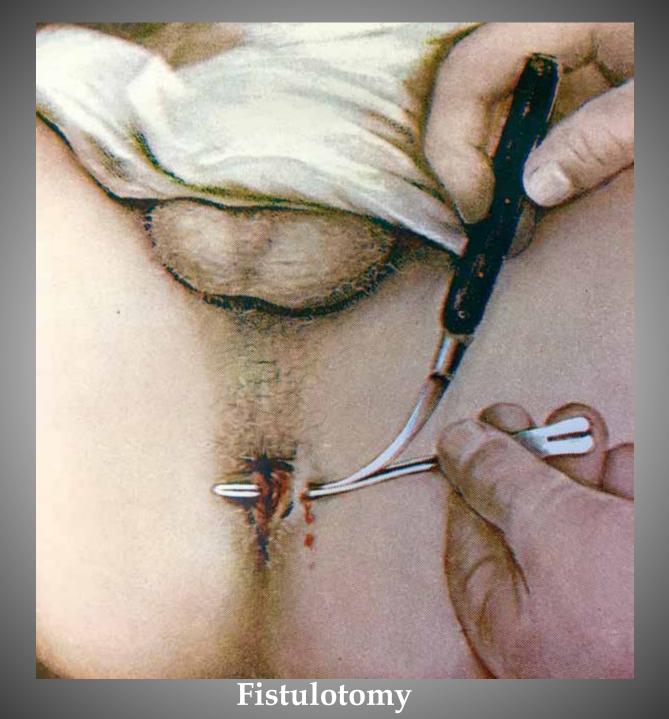
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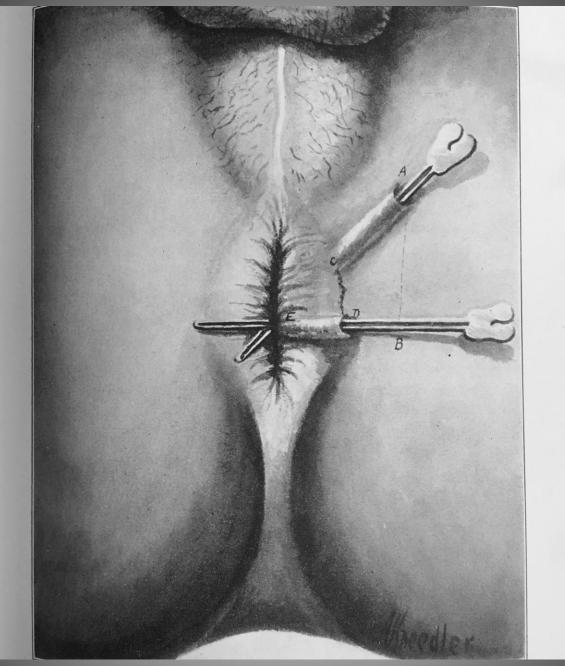


Fistologram Radiograph

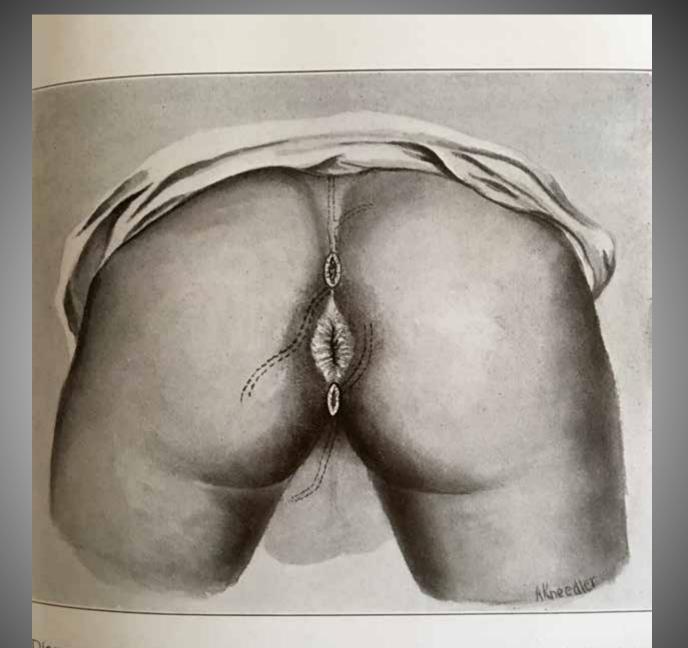


Seton placement





Fistulotomy



Diagrammatic Illustration showing Subtegumentary Channels as found in Fistula tracts found in Chronic Proctitis

Fissures

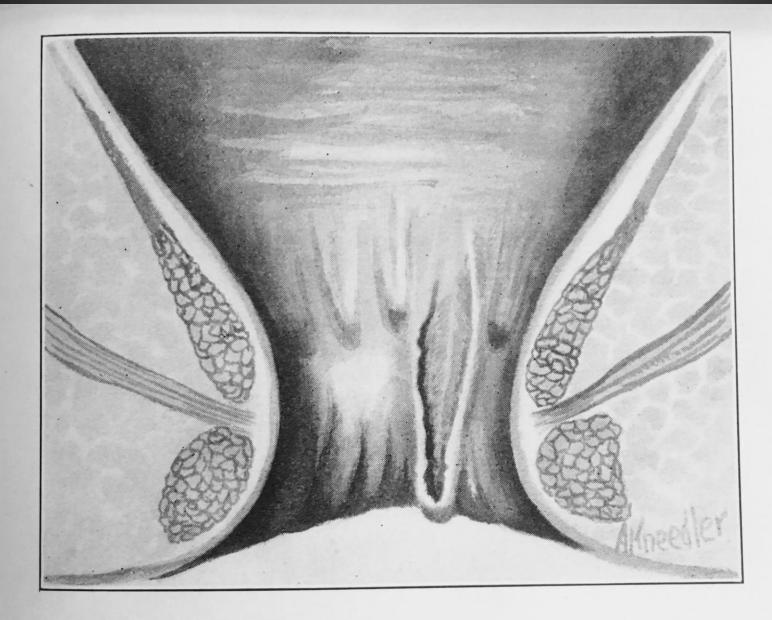
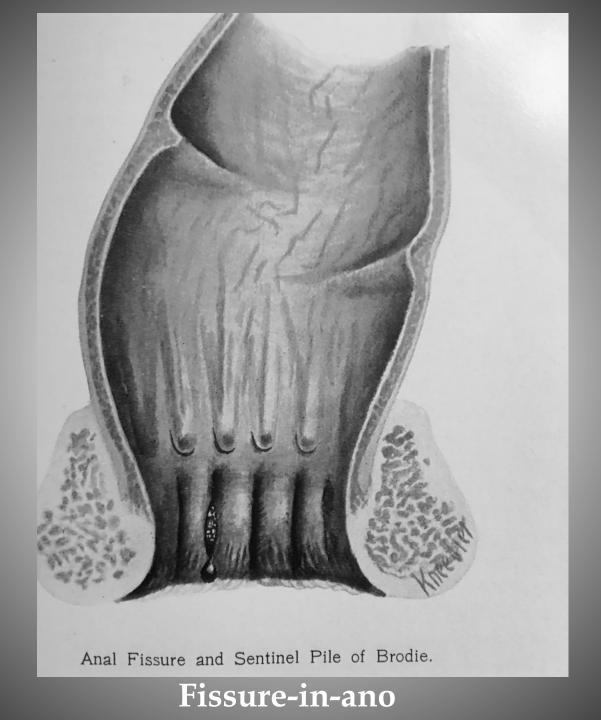


Fig. 2. Irritable Anal Ulcer caused by Tearing of Ulcerated Pocket.

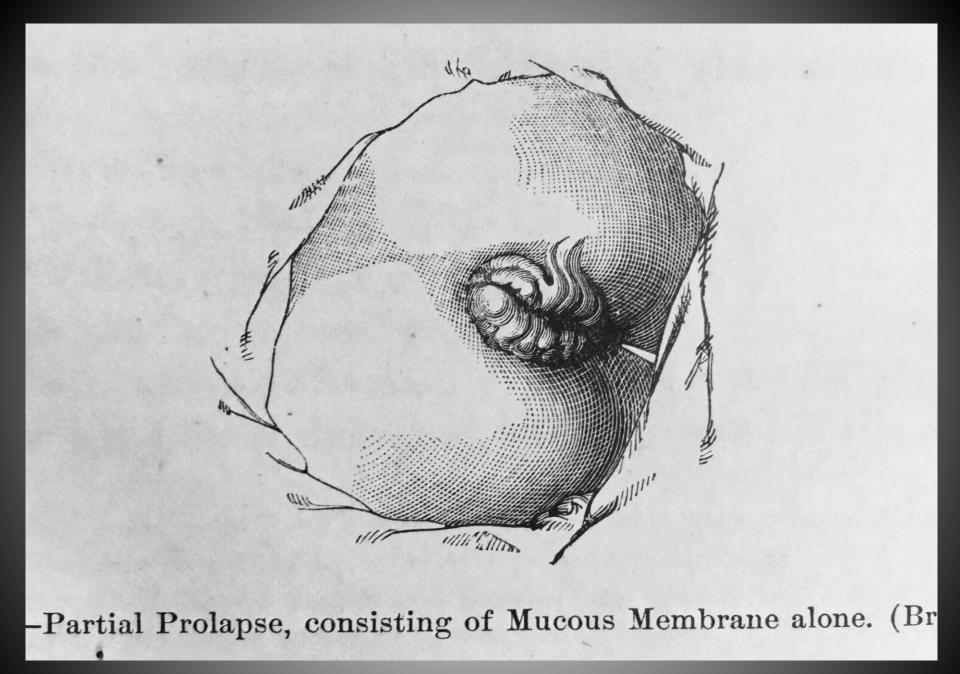
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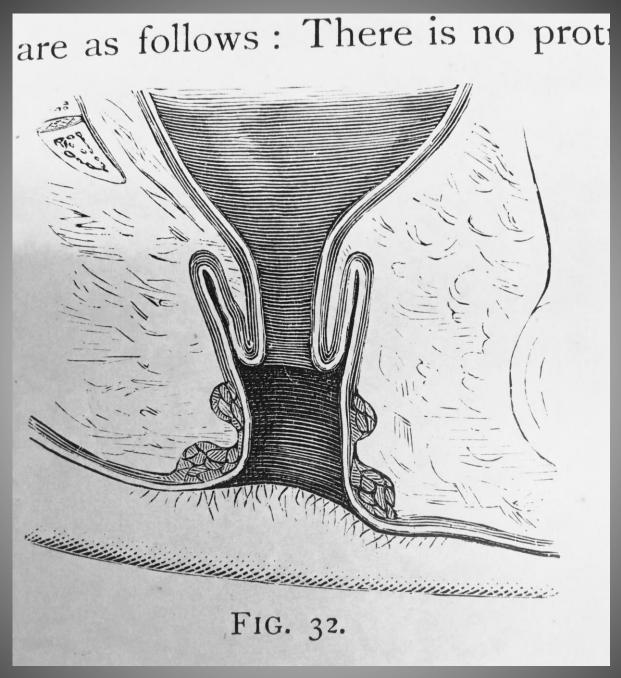


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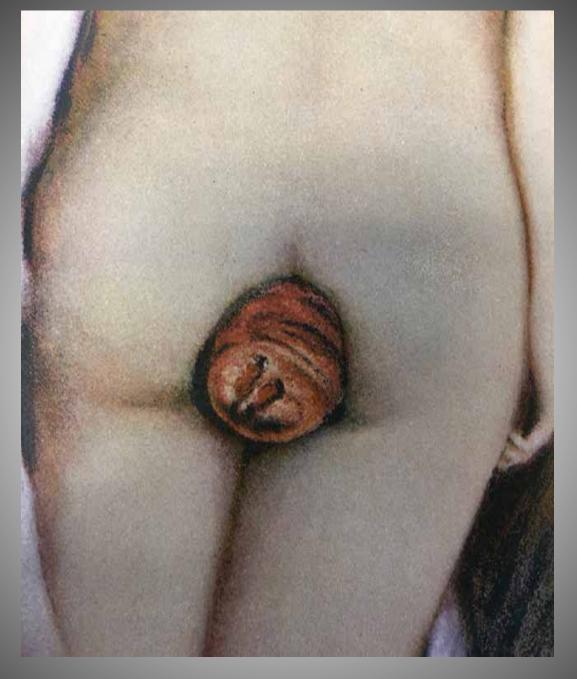


Procidentia 1st Degree



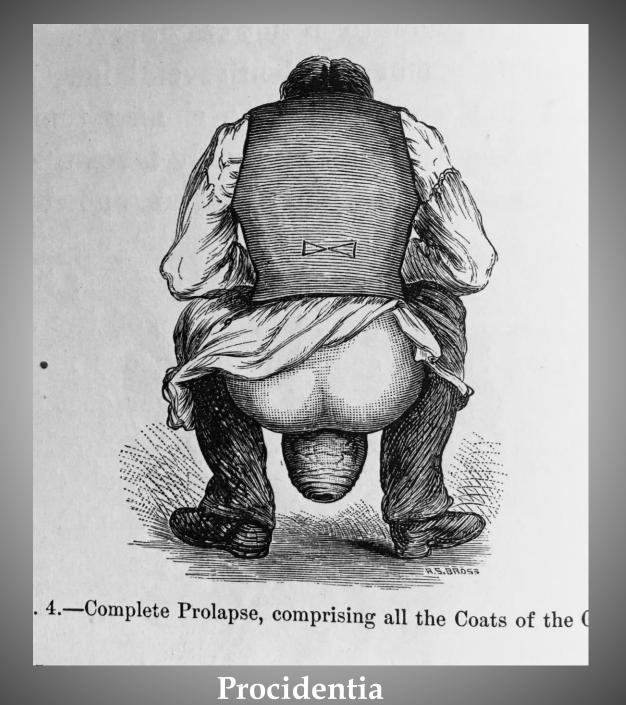
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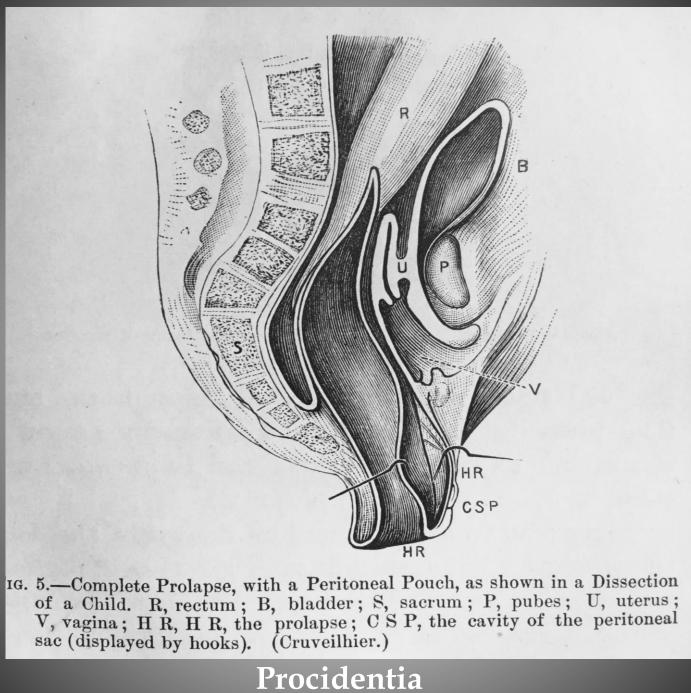
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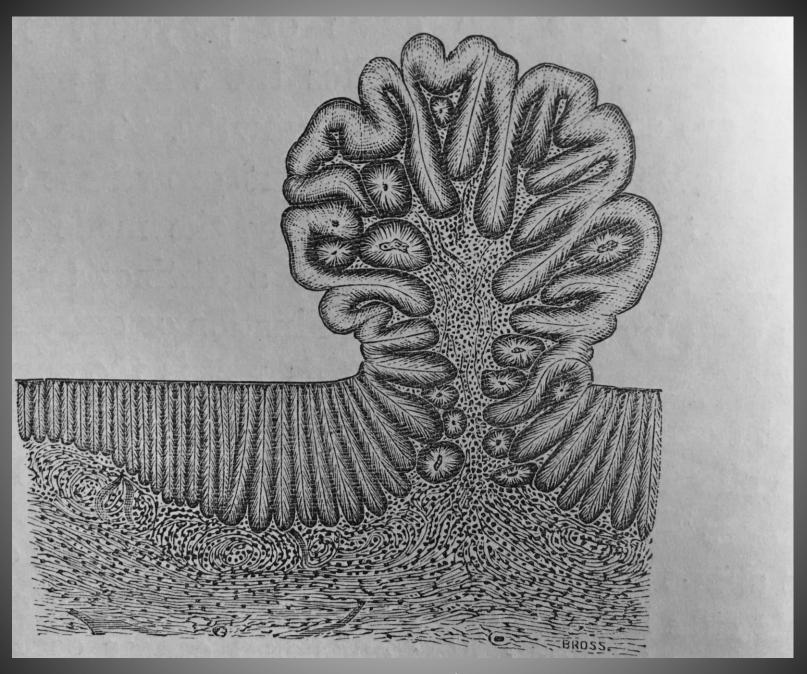
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Mathews

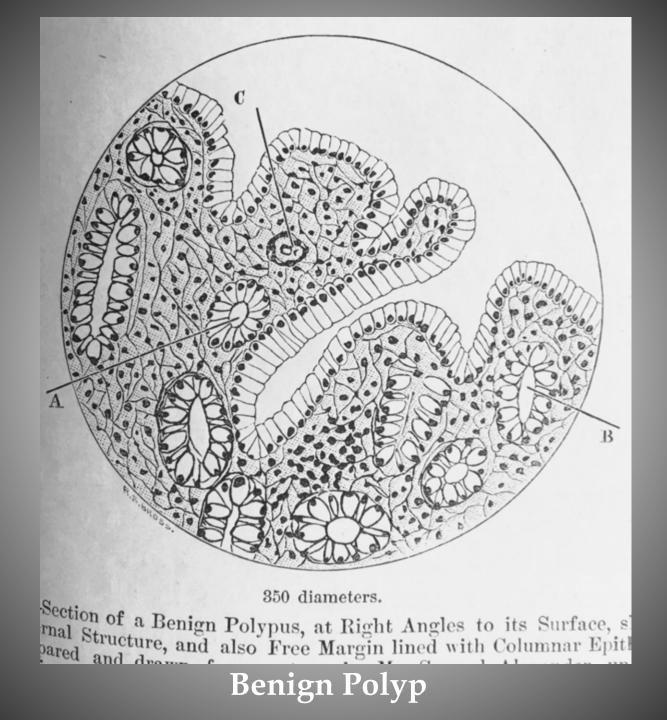




Polyps and Tumors



Benign Polyp



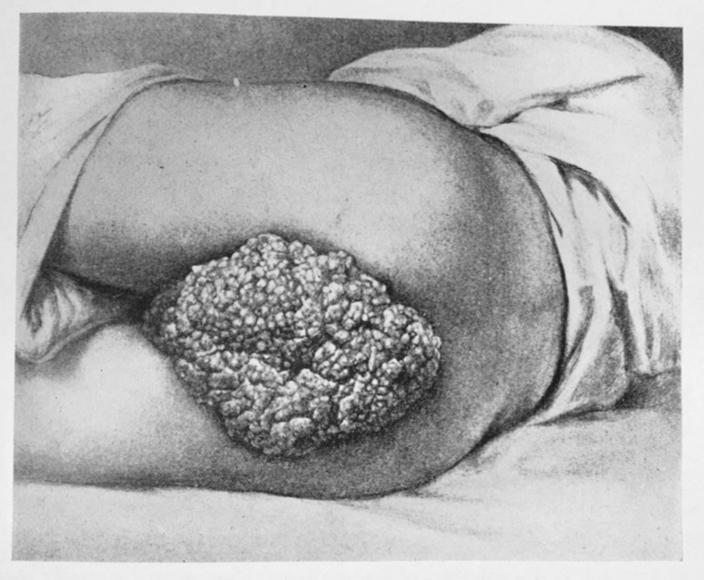


FIG. 12. HUGE PAPILLOMA OF THE ANUS.

Giant Condylomata/Squamous cell

Mathews

Conclusions

- By the early 20th century, there was a sophisticated understanding of proctologic diseases and their treatment.
- This foundation provides the basis for most of current therapy.
- There have been many innovations in the interim, but few actual improvements.