

about 15 oz. of meconium-stained liquor. There was no blood. Along the line of the old Cæsarian scar at its right extremity was a tear which admitted the tip of the index finger.

The patient's condition did not justify hysterectomy. The liquor was removed and the patient sterilized. She made an uneventful recovery.

### SUMMARY

This is the report of a case of peritonitis caused by meconium-stained liquor amnii extruded through a rent in the scar of a lower segment Cæsarian section during the closing stages of a subsequent labour.

I would like to thank Mr. Keith Vartan for his wise counsel and help in this case.

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### Correspondence

*From Major-General R. E. Barnsley, C.B., M.C., M.B.*

SIR,

Some time ago I acquired a painting of an "unknown purveyor," the date of whose service I was informed by Mr. Carman of the Imperial War Museum was probably between 1813 and 1816. In an endeavour to ascertain the identity of this young officer I sent a photograph of the portrait to *Country Life*.

I have received a letter from a reader in Essex which may be of interest to your readers. He tells me that he has in temporary custody some papers belonging to Deputy Purveyor G. Robinson, who was desperately anxious to obtain his Waterloo medal. The papers together with the medal itself are contained in a red morocco case, and among them is: "List of Medical Staff Officers under command of the Duke of Wellington who were employed in the field at the battles of Quatrebras and Waterloo."

The document is officially certified correct by Sir James Robert Grant, who was the Duke's S.M.O. at Waterloo and later became Inspector-General, and I feel it is of sufficient importance to merit a permanent record in the JOURNAL.

I have substantial hopes that this unique exhibit may find its way into our Historical Museum.

I am, etc.

R. E. BARNSLEY.

R.A.M.C. HISTORICAL MUSEUM,  
QUEEN ELIZABETH BARRACKS,  
CROOKHAM,  
HANTS.

List of Medical Staff Officers under command of the Duke of Wellington who were employed in the field at the battles of Quatrebras and Waterloo.

<i>No. of Certificate</i>	<i>Division or Corps</i>	<i>Rank and Name</i>
1	1st Corps	Deputy Inspector of Hospitals, J. Gunning.
2	2nd Corps	Staff Surgeon H. G. Emery.
3	Cavalry	Deputy Inspector of Hospitals, W. Taylor. Staff Surgeon, R. Grant. Staff Surgeon J. G. Van Millingen.
4	1st Division	Acting Deputy Inspector of Hospitals, W. Curtis.
5	2nd Division	Staff Surgeon, John Maling.
6	3rd Division	Physician to the Forces, Dr. Damecke. Assistant Staff Surgeon, J. Dease.
7	4th Division	Staff Surgeon, J. Matthews. Hospital Assistant, W. Canning.
8	5th Division	Staff Surgeon, M. A. Burmester. Hospital Assistant, Watson.
9	(erasure)	Deputy Assistant of Hospitals, Dr. J. R. Hume. Assistant Staff Surgeon, W. Twining.
10	Field Equipment	Inspector General of Hospitals, Dr. Grant. Deputy Inspector of Hospitals, W. Woolrich. Apothecary to the Forces, W. Lyons. *Deputy Purveyor of Hospitals, G. Robinson. Hospital Assistant, J. Lough. Hospital Assistant, W. Williams.

\* This is the officer referred to by General Barnsley in his letter.