

VI. *A Rupture of the Navel, communicated to the ROYAL SOCIETY by H. W. Taube, (Dove) Surgeon of the Pearl Man of War.*

Read May 24.
1744.

ANN *Stubbensfull* had a very hard Labour 17 Years before her Death, and a little Rupture appeared in her Navel, and in the next Labour it increased; which she endeavoured to cure by a Bandage, but in vain; so it continued to increase more and more.

The first time I was called to her, was upon account of a Wound at *Leit. d.* where it looked as if it would mortify; which I cured, but left a Place open as big as Half a Crown, from which a great Quantity of Water would sometimes run out; but getting Cold, it stopped; and the whole *Saccus* was very much inflamed (This Wound was formerly made by uneasy Trusses). I called on the late Mr. *Amiand*; who told me, he had seen in a Work-house a Rupture of the same Kind, but not so big.

She had once an *Obstructio alvi* for fifteen Days; and nothing would do, till I order'd her a Glyster of Tobacco boil'd with Urine. The late Dr. *James Douglass* saw her; and he and I agreed to open her after her Death; to which she consented. At last, she died maniacal. Dr. *Douglass* and I would have open'd her; but the Obstinacy of her Children was so great, that they would not agree to it till the fourth Day after her Death, which happened in *July*, when the Putrefaction was so great, that Dr. *Douglass*, nor I, nor any body else, could remain by her; and so were obliged, to our great Sorrows, to desist.

References

References to the Figures, see TAB. II. Fig. 4 and 5.

- a.* The Circumference nearest to the Belly 36 Inches and an half.
 - b.* The thickest Part, 38 Inches.
 - c.* From *a* to *c*, the Length, 34 Inches.
 - d.* The Wound.
 - e.* Several great Protuberances.
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VII. *A Letter from Mr. Wm. Watſon, F. R. S. to the ROYAL SOCIETY; containing further Remarks concerning Muſhrooms: Occaſioned by the Reverend Mr. Pickering's F. R. S. Paper in the preceding Tranſact. p. 96. with Obſervations upon the poiſonous Faculty of ſome Sorts of Fungi.*

Gentlemen,

Read May 31. 1744. I HOPE I ſhall have the Reverend Mr. *Pickering's* Excuse, if I lay before you a few further Obſervations upon his Papers concerning *Muſhrooms*.

With regard to the Seeds of *Muſhrooms*, although they were never ſhewn to the ROYAL SOCIETY before, the Fact was known to many Members thereof: for the induſtrious *Micheli* did not only raiſe Muſhrooms from their Seeds, but has, in his Tables, ſhewn the daily Progreſs from their firſt Point of Vegetation, even to their perfect State.

The *Fungus poroſus craſſus magnus* is not the Muſhroom uſually raiſed in *England* for the Table,

