

Monday, February 23

54 DAYS PAST

311 TO COME

Diagnostic Pitfalls (Continued)

"Rheumatism" has sometimes turned out in my experience to mean: aortic aneurysm, cancer of the pleura, tabes dorsalis, osteomyelitis, spondylitis deformans, bone-tuberculosis, syphilitic periostitis, lead-poisoning, morphine habit, alcoholic neuritis, trichiniasis and gonorrhoeal infection. "Rheumatism" is one of the most dangerous of all diagnoses of the conscientious physician.

"Cystitis" is usually a symptom, not a disease. It points to disease below the bladder (stricture, obstructing prostate, etc.), or above it (renal tuberculosis and other renal infections) as is the cause.

"Hemorrhoids" often mask cancer of the rectum.—Cabot; J. A. M. A.

Weather

Temp.

S. below

X I took the girls to school & Eugene went for them. We washed Maude & Boyde Thompson came home from St Thomas. Got a letter from Mrs Teeple, North East wind sewed one pound paper bags. Old Ann cleared out this morning X

Bill & N. Golia &