

Monday, October 16

290 DAYS PAST W E D N E S D A Y 76 TO COME

Factors in Abdominal Operations.

Rough handling of the abdominal viscera and needless dragging or pulling upon the mesentery favor both post-operative tympanites and abdominal pain and discomfort. Gentleness in the separation of adhesions so far as possible along natural lines of cleavage will lessen the number of new adhesions that will form, and reduce the incidence of pulmonary and cerebral emboli.

Complete hemostasis should always be sought. Whenever important vessels are ligated, if they cannot be thoroughly isolated, a suture should be introduced which will include enough proximal tissue to prevent slipping.—Raymond Wallace; *Southern Medical Record.*

Weather

Temp.

A lovely warm day! Alata + Toby was here for dinner & Milla went to Ephraim with her, & Eugene & Alata brought her home. Eugene took a cow out that he traded with Almas for a horse. Ceed was over to night. John helped Lewis sew novel this forenoon, blew head off dinner pot &