

no doubt, of sloughs which were present in variable numbers in almost every mucoid stool.

The general character of the amœbæ corresponded in every particular with those found in the liver. A greater variation, perhaps, in size was noticed, but in the appearance of the protoplasm, the character of the movements, and the arrangement of the vacuoles, no essential difference was noted.

It is impossible to speak as yet with any certainty as to the relation of these organisms to the disease. The subject is deserving of extended study, and a point of special interest will be the determination of their presence in the endemic dysentery of this country.—*Johns Hopkins Hospital Bulletin*.

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On the Surgical Treatment of Tuberculosis of the Pleura and Lung. (By Prof. Tillmanns, M.D., Leipzig.)—At the Congress of German surgeons held this year at Berlin, I showed a patient whom about two years previously I had completely cured of severe tuberculosis of the left pleura and left lung by extensive resection of the front part of the left chest wall. The tuberculosis of the left pleura and left lung was made accessible for purposes of local surgical treatment by removal of the fore part of the left chest wall, which was also affected with tubercular disease. The heart was displaced to the right behind the sternum as the result of an empyema of more than two years standing. After the cure of the tuberculosis of the left pleura and the left lung, I converted the left pleura into a cutaneous cavity by transplantation of skin according to Thiersch's method. The healthy right lung and the heart, which still remains displaced to the right, now act so well that the patient, in spite of the loss of his left lung, has since about September, 1888, been able to attend to his business as a merchant quite in the same manner as before. My observation is also of interest with reference to the operative treatment of tumors and others diseases of the pleura and lung. The editor of the *British Medical Journal* has invited me to report on the case to which I have referred. I hereby very gladly