

cedures advocated for the relief of this trouble, and then entered into particulars in regard to the details of the methods employed. He personally found that much could be done for the relief and cure by medical treatment by way of the natural passages, after removal, if necessary, of the superior turbinated bones. The paper which was well received was read in French, although the discussion which followed, lead by Dr. Farwell was conducted in English.

Dr. Farwell presented a case report of a patient who had suffered from mastoid disease. This patient was a child of eight years of age who for a long time had suffered from middle ear disease following scarlet fever, and when it came under the speaker's care the process had extended well into the mastoid region and the petrous portion of the temporal bone. There was also a discharging sinus in the scalp. Operation showed that the bone destruction had gone on to such an extent that eventually a sequestrum almost the size of a walnut had to be removed. This included the whole of the mastoid tubercle and a portion of the petrous bone containing the groove of the lateral sinns and the upper surface, about one inch in length. A skull marked to correspond to the bone removed was shown, and the unique specimen passed around for examination. During the discussion which followed Dr. Bachand showed a number of fine specimens demonstrating the different forms of operations practised in mastoid disease. Several cases of interest were reported by the members. Dr. King mentioned one in which a patient suffering from carcinoma of the pylvis and duodenum had lived for nine weeks upon nutritive enemata alone. Dr. Williams reported a case in with some seven weeks after a laparotomy wound had practically healed, there had developed a frenal fixtula. Dr. Cameron reported another case of paresis and blindness following the taking of wood alcohol. The patient took several drinks and then feeling ill returned home when paresis, more particularly of the lower extremities supervened and this was followed by the gradual onset of blindness. Dr. Bachand who had followed up the case went on to say that all treatment was of little avail, as after a period of very slight improvement the condition relapsed to one of total blindness. The fundus showed at first a choked disk followed by optic neuritis. In the discussion Dr. Austen drew the attention of the Society to Dr. Buller's work on the subject, and it was decided to follow the example of the Montreal Medical Society and petition the Government to put some check upon the supply of this article in its present unprotected form with no warning label. After the admission of four new members the meeting adjourned.

The annual report of the Montreal Health department for last year has been completed and contains many interesting details. The total