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CASE OF PRIMARY CARCINOMA OF LIVER.*

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During the last session of the Society I brought before the Montreal Medico-Chirurgical Society a case of true adenoma affecting the liver of a woodchuck, and arising primarily, as its structure amply demonstrated, from the parenchyma of that organ.†

I have now to describe you a case of very similar nature in the human liver, only here the adenoma has taken on a malignant character and secondary growths have developed elsewhere.

The specimen was obtained at a post-mortem made at the Royal Victoria Hospital on September 4th. The subject from whom it was obtained, J. B., aged 45, entered the hospital under Dr. Stewart, complaining of weakness and loss of flesh, with pain and swelling in the abdomen. He had been addicted to good living and excessive use of alcohol and there was a doubtful specific history. About a year before admission there had been a violent attack of jaundice, from which patient gradually recovered.

The liver dulness extended from the fifth rib to two

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† Vide this Journal, Vol. xxiii., p. 55. July, 1894.