

and confirmed his work; with the result that, since that time, the presence of the gonococcus can be decided as "an immoral certainty."

But here again a new field opens up, for the supposition now was that gonorrhœa was entirely a local disease; although the clinical connection of gonorrhœa and arthritis had long been familiar. At the time of writing I have mislaid all the notes made as to the extension of knowledge regarding the gonococcus, and its appearance elsewhere than the urethra. I am sorry that I can trust my memory for neither observers nor dates; but this is practically history of to-day.* Let it suffice to say, that the presence of the gonococcus has, within the last decade, been determined in most of the serous cavities of the body; its presence in peritonitis, arthritis, iritis and salpingitis have been again and again demonstrated; more rare, but as undoubted, is its presence in the pleura; and lastly, it has been demonstrated not only in abscesses in the muscle of the uterus, doubtless by direct extension, but also in at least one case of multiple abscesses of the body muscles.

It is safe to predict that "the end is not yet."

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