

KINGSTON MEDICAL AND SURGICAL SOCIETY.

A REGULAR monthly meeting was held Nov. 7th, the President, Dr. Herald, in the chair, and seventeen members present.

Dr. W. T. Connell presented the specimens from an insane patient, aged 34, shewing softening caseous phthisis of the upper lobes of both lungs, a generalized and very extensive miliary tuberculosis of the peritoneum, including the serous coat of intestines; and also recent tubercular meningitis, confined as usual to the base and posterior fossae. The other organs showed only rare tubercles. The comparative infrequency of tubercular meningitis was commented upon.

Dr. Connell also showed the last foot of the ileum from a fatal case of typhoid fever, during the third week, showing the separating sloughs and typical ulceration.

Drs. Herald and Anglin described the clinical history and operation, and presented the specimens from a fatal case of volvulus of the ileum. This case is reported in full in this number.

Dr. Neilson then presented his paper on Psycho-Therapeutics. In this paper Dr. Neilson considered treatment by suggestion only (along with ordinary medical measures) and treatment by suggestion after the induction to a greater or lesser degree of hypnosis, giving illustrations of each. The Doctor practically illustrated his methods of inducing the hypnotic state, and gave a list illustrated with cases, in which such treatment had proven efficacious in his hands, as e.g. insomnia, neuralgia, toothache, sciatica, migraine, obstinate constipation. Dr. Neilson advocates the more extensive use of suggestive therapeutics in general practice, and in selected cases advises hypnosis as preliminary to the suggestion.

A regular monthly meeting of the Society was held this evening, (Dec. 5), Dr. Herald, President, in the chair, and nine members present.

Dr. Anglin gave the clinical history and presented the specimens from a case of empyema with secondary abscess about the spleen, a full report of which appears in this issue.

Dr. W. T. Connell shewed a specimen of "waxy" liver, also somewhat cirrhotic. The surface showed numerous old de-