

before death. The symptoms not improving, the hernia was explored and found to be omental as anticipated. It was adherent, but there was no inflammatory trouble present.

P. M.—Pyloric orifice of the stomach contracted from a deposit, possibly syphilitic. The last few inches of the ileum were much contracted, so much so that water could scarcely be forced through it. The caput coli was much distended with fluid faeces. There was another contraction at the sigmoid flexure.

Dr. Cameron also showed the larynx and trachea from a woman, between 30 and 40 years of age, who died in the General Hospital. She was syphilitic. For about ten weeks she suffered from laryngeal trouble, expectorating pus and blood. Dyspnoea was severe at times, but in the intervals the breathing was easy. Anti-syphilitic and sedative treatment mitigated the symptoms, but in one of the attacks of dyspnoea she died suddenly from suffocation. Tracheotomy had been decided on the day before death, but was postponed in order that the students might be present to witness the operation.

P. M.—A carious cavity full of pus was found in the posterior part of the larynx, the cricoid cartilage being the seat of the disease. There were also a few ulcerated patches in the trachea.

Dr. Nevitt showed a ruptured stomach from a man injured in a workshop. The notes of the cases appeared in full in the December number of the *Journal*.

Dr. Geo. Wright showed part of the spine from a man who was injured on the railway. There was a good deal of shock. The lower extremities were partially paralyzed; the paralysis became complete a few hours after the injury. The bladder was also paralyzed, and consequently there was retention of urine. Death took place suddenly next morning.

P. M.—There was great infiltration of the soft tissues about the seat of injury and of

the psoae muscles. The spinous processes of the 10th, 11th and 12th dorsal vertebrae were fractured, as well as the laminae, and the spinal cord was lacerated.

The report of the committee appointed at last meeting was read, recommending the establishment of a directory for nurses, and suggesting a plan for giving effect to the report. *and adopted*
~~On motion, the report was unanimously adopted, and the committee re-appointed to give effect to the suggestions of the report.~~

RIDEAU AND BATHURST MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The winter meeting of this Association was held in Ottawa on the 17th January. At 12 o'clock, the General Hospital was visited, and at 1 p.m. the County Hospital, the attending surgeons being present to point out cases of interest and explain the working of the institutions. At 2 o'clock, the members assembled in the City Hall, there being present Dr. Cranston, Arnprior, President; Dr. Baird, Pakenham; Dr. Groves, Carp; Dr. Scott, Hazeldean; Dr. McFarlane, Almonte; Dr. Stevenson, Chelsea; Drs. Wallace and Fraser, Metcalf; Drs. Bell and Wilson, New Edinburgh; and Drs. Hill, Sweetland, Grant, S. Wright, H. P. Wright, Robillard, Baptie, Prevost, Powell, McDougall, Mark, Malloch, Cousens, Church, Horsey and Henderson, Ottawa; Dr. Bentley, Winnipeg; and Small, (Secretary). After the reading and confirmation of the minutes of last meeting, held at Smith's Falls, Dr. Cranston read an address and a paper on the "Treatment of Fractures." Dr. Sweetland then made some remarks upon the Provincial Board of Health recently organized in Ontario. He eulogized at length the work it was accomplishing, and moved, "That this Association approve of the system adopted by the Provincial Board of Health, and endeavour to promote its objects by rendering all the assistance in the power of its members." This resolution was seconded by Dr. Robillard, and carried unanimously. Dr. Powell also spoke favourably of the system of statistics now in force. Dr. Grant then read a paper on Pleuritis, the discussion on which was opened by Dr. Prevost, and became general. Dr. Horsey, Vice-President, presented a paper on Counter-Irritation, and Dr. Baird, one on Hæmaturia.