

four ounces in weight, and recovery took place. Mr. Horsley removed a four and a half ounce tumor from a man in a state of coma. So he thinks facts are at variance with this theory of Bergmann. In the first case of tumor upon which he operated there was an error of diagnosis. The brain was opened and no tumor found. The bone was replaced, the skin was fastened, as advised by Horsley, and the patient recovered. The headache disappeared altogether, paralysis improved, and the patient lived two months. Another case was reported by Mr. Heath of London, in which the tumor was attached to the bone at the base of the skull, and was not removed. The headache was relieved, paralysis improved, and epilepsy ceased for a time. In cases of hemorrhage threatening life his plan is to do the operation as an exploratory one, take away a portion of the skull, and if he finds the blood-clot remove it. He had gone over the brain a year and a half ago to see how much could be done in the way of surgery, to find out whether the longitudinal sinus and lateral sinus were things we could avoid. He found he could strip them up from the anterior surface of the skull to a goodly length. He had stripped the lateral sinus from its bed to a distance of about an inch. He had stripped up the dura upon a living subject in ear trouble to a distance of one and a half inches. He had been able to raise up the frontal sinus until the anterior glenoid processes were exposed. He had been able to feel the foramen magnum. He had recently tapped a cerebral abscess on the under surface of the sphenoid bone just anterior to the foramen rotundum and ovale, being led to these regions by necrosis. He believed one can reach very many portions of the brain providing our neurological friends give us information thereon.—(*Medical News.*)

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#### BRITISH COLUMBIA MEDICAL COUNCIL.

The semi-annual meeting of the British Columbia Medical Council was held at Vancouver on the 6th and 7th of November. There were present Drs. Davie (Victoria), President; McGuigan (Vancouver), Vice-President; Milne (Victoria), Registrar; DeWolf Smith (Westminster) and Tunstall (Kamloops).