

due to hard drinking. Was cured at the City Dispensary. (6) Respiratory Has had hæmoptysis, and been troubled occasionally with a slight cough. (7) Cutaneous No other lesion except the scaly, inflamed eruption upon the buttock and thigh.

CLINICAL NOTES.

A case of cancer of the lung was under treatment in hospital last month. The patient, a woman of 35, had been complaining of what she thought was a bad cold since last fall, with some pain in the right side and shortness of breath. On admission, her face had a dusky, congested look. She had a good deal of dyspnoea, some cough, but little or no expectoration, small and frequent pulse, but no elevation of temperature. There were a number of glands on the right side of the neck as large as hazel nuts. The physical signs, with the exception of marked dulness over the whole of the lower part of the right lung, were *nil*—exaggerated breathing and some bronchial sounds were all that could be made out. The dyspnoea increased, cough increased with some bloody expectoration, the finger nails were quite blue, and the right hand and arm showed a more feeble circulation than the left. There was dysphagia. Intra-thoracic pressure, and possibly malignant disease, was diagnosed, and the *post-mortem* proved this to be correct.

PORNOGRAPHIC LITERATURE.

The Maryland *Medical Journal* reprints a part of an article entitled "Pornographic Literature" which appeared in the *Western Reserve Medical Journal*. It goes on to say that the literature that comes to the office of a medical journal is very suggestive in its range, morally as well as intellectually. The fact that advertising pays subjects the medical editor to temptation as much as, probably, is the case with the newspaper men. The business management of the large Eastern journals is entirely separate from the work of the editorial staff, and the ethics of the advertising columns are apt to be somewhat lower than are those of the editorial pages. Leading articles in those journals do not, as a rule, cater to the trade. Publications in smaller towns are usually managed by the editors, and as human nature is weak and profits in legitimate journalism small, advertisements are apt to creep in disguised as original

Cancer of the lung is a comparatively rare disease, but said to be more common in men than women. The greater part of the right lung was involved.

Abnormalities of the genital organs are, fortunately, not common. A well-marked case of epispadia was admitted for repairs the other day, and a modification of Duplay's operation, by Dr. Powell, promises a good result.

Among the common things in the present day are troubles of the tubes and ovaries in females; but the varieties met with are as numerous as the cases. A case under observation for about a fortnight was operated on by Dr. Powell a few days ago. A probable salpingitis was diagnosed—apparently connected with an old-time gonorrhoeal infection. The symptoms, though not acute on admission, became suddenly markedly so, and called for interference. A coeliotomy was performed, and though nothing could be removed on account of the complete matting together of the parts, over a pint of fetid pus was got rid of, free douching with Thiersch resorted to, and with drainage, etc., the patient's condition is now very favorable. (T. 99.)

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papers, even into the pages of legitimate journals. Others there are, sown broadcast over the land, which are simply advertising sheets, and from them private formulas and special remedies loom out from every page. No doubt the profits of such advertising are large, and there is no law of the land to prevent it. But there is a limit beyond which this thing should not go, and it is to this that we wish to call attention. Many of these sheets resort to medical quips and jokes of, to say the least, doubtful propriety. This has been carried so far that in a recent sample just received there appeared a number of half-tones, artistically excellent, but essentially lewd, and evidently there to attract attention for that very quality. Low-class journalism can go no further than this.

[When one remembers the fact that Canada is thus *blest* with some "simply advertising sheets," it is a sort of comfort to know that other countries are likewise afflicted.—ED.]