

the autopsy, an area of grey degeneration was found involving both lateral columns in the posterior part, extending to the pia mater, chiefly in the dorsal region. In the upper dorsal and cervical there is sclerosis of the posterior median columns. There was extensive tuberculous disease of the kidneys and bladder.

The importance of this case rests upon the fact that the exact morbid anatomy of spasmodic spinal paralysis has not yet been determined. Erb and Charcot suppose that the lateral columns are the seat of the disease, because in degeneration of these parts, secondary to cerebral lesions, there is spasmodic paralysis. Whether in this case the lateral sclerosis is primary, or whether it depends on some limited spot of myelitis in the upper dorsal region, must be determined by careful section of the entire cord.

Dr. Osler then read a paper on "Three cases of Insular Sclerosis." (These will be found amongst the "Original Communications.")

The Secretary read a letter from the City Board of Health acknowledging certain resolutions which had been sent the Board by the Society. The letter was referred to the Council, to report on at next meeting.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. John Lewis, druggist, Victoria Square, requesting the Society's acceptance of two beautifully-framed pictures, which he desired to contribute towards furnishing the new rooms.

The Society accepted the gift, and a vote of thanks to Mr. Lewis was moved by Dr. Roddick, seconded by Dr. Blackader, and the Secretary was requested to send a copy of the resolutions to Mr. Lewis.

Dr. Osler moved, seconded by Dr. Smith, that the sum of fifty dollars be expended in procuring current medical literature for the Society's reading room. The motion was carried, and the President appointed Drs. Osler, Campbell and Ross a committee to select the papers most suitable.

Dr. Edwards moved, seconded by Dr. Blackader, that Dr. Bell be elected librarian. *Carried.*

The meeting then adjourned.