

editors hope that by combining forces they will be able to publish a better journal than either has been in the past.

We learn that it has been decided to postpone the meeting of the third Pan-American Medical Congress which was to have met in Caracas, Venezuela, in 1899. This has been advisable owing to the late revolution in that country and to the fact that there has been a grave epidemic of small-pox. The Congress will therefore meet in 1900.

Rummo, of Palermo, at the Academy, reported a particular form of "dystrophic skin disease," under the name of *geroderma genitodystrophicum*.

In this disease there is early senility, and a condition which has some relation to myxœdema, akromegaly and gigantism.

The skin of the face is waxy-yellow, the forehead low and furrowed, the nasolabial folds very deep, the ears thick, the feet and hands enlarged, the abdomen and breast relaxed, the hair bristling, and the voice nasal. He had been able to collect 15 cases of this disease in Sicily.