

ing of an apical systolic murmur. Death ensued. No autopsy was allowed.

Blood cultures were made before death and inoculation experiments done upon three rabbits. The results are recorded in the following paragraph:—

“In a fatal case of rheumatism endocarditis and chorea a streptococcus was isolated from the blood before death. This organism did not differ materially from the common varieties of streptococcus progress in cultural properties, but produced very characteristic lesions in rabbits when injected intravenously. Such inoculations were always followed after a few days' incubation period by a multiple arthritis, which usually started in the ankles. In one rabbit extensive vegetations were found in the mitral valve, while typical infarctions were seen in the spleen and kidney. We believe that this streptococcus is the same as that described by Wassermann Meyer, Poynton and Paine, and Walker, and considered at least by the last three observers to be the specific cause of rheumatic fever.”

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*The Practitioner*, October, 1904.

It is worth reproducing the contents of this valuable periodical. The articles are of value, and do not lend themselves to abstraction or summary:

The Treatment of Post Partum Hæmorrhage, by D. Berry Hart; On the Treatment of Post Partum Hæmorrhage, by John Phillips; The Treatment of Atonic Post-Partum Hæmorrhage, by Henry Jellett; Bilharziosis, by F. M. Sandwith; On the Rational Treatment of Gastric Disorders, by W. Langdon Brown; Some Cases of Varioloid, selected from 700 Cases of Small-Pox occurring recently in Leicester, by Allan Warner; The Signs and Symptoms of Measles in Relation to Diagnosis and Prognosis, by Harold Balme; A Review of Recent Investigations in Diseases of the Blood and Blood-forming Organs, by H. Batty Shaw; A Review of Recent Work on Abdominal Surgery, by B. G. A. Moynihan and J. F. Dobson; Foul Air and Standards of Air-Purity, by Louis Parkes.

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The work of “La Société Médicale de Montréal” was resumed on Tuesday, October 5th, under the presidency of Doctor C. N. Valin.

Dr. DECARIE, secretary, read the annual report. Dr. Asselin, trea-