

on this subject. We do not know whether this distinguished physician claims priority as to this method of treatment or not. He certainly would not if he did not believe that he was the first to recommend the so-called Starvation Cure.

We desire, however, to call attention to the fact that Dr. Palmer Burrows, of Lindsay, Ont., has been paying special attention to the treatment of appendicitis for over twenty years.

At a meeting of the Ontario Medical Association held in Toronto eleven years ago last June, Dr. Burrows used these words: "The measures which I take to mark the *ne plus ultra* in the treatment of appendicitis are as follows: The filling of the bowels by means of the long tube to remove any source of irritation, hypodermic injections of morphine or morphine with atropine, and complete abstinence from food or the taking of it sparingly in order to secure digestive rest."

Similar views have been expressed by Dr. Burrows to many physicians in private conversation, and in medical journals, including the London *Lancet*.

So far as we know, Dr. Burrows is entitled to the claim of originality, so far as this plan of treatment is concerned.

THE GAME OF FOOTBALL.

We find in the November issue of the *Canada Lancet* an interesting editorial on Football Fatalities. The writer recalls examples of six young men of Toronto who came to their death by this game, and goes on to state that the game which caused last year in the United States the death of twenty-eight students, and injured over one thousand more, many of these permanently, should be condemned.

The *Toronto Globe*, of October 13th, expresses the opinion that no man should be allowed to play football who has not first passed a medical examination and been certified as fit for such strenuous exercise. The University authorities hold the same views, and since the sad fatalities to which we referred in our last issue, have enforced the rule that no stu