

*Tumour from Oviduct of a Hen*—DR. MILLS exhibited the specimen of a caseating tumour about the size of a large turkey's egg which he had removed from the oviduct of a hen. The hen had been out of sorts for several weeks and the tumour was discovered, the whole process lasting about eight weeks. This apparently rapid growth corresponds with the brief period of growth and development and the short period of usefulness of a hen's life.

*A Case of Meningitis following Middle Ear Disease*.—DR. SPRINGLE read the history of this case, as follows :

The patient, a female of 35 years, gave a history of suppurating disease of the right ear for some years past. More or less acute pains on that side of the head were supposed to be of a neuralgic nature. These were always relieved when a discharge took place from the ear. One day in June last the patient began to suffer from pain over the right side of the head, which subsided towards evening, and the patient enjoyed a good night's rest. At three o'clock in the afternoon of the following day she was seized with violent pain in the above situation ; this was followed by violent general convulsions, and when the patient was first seen the case presented the characteristics of a most violent case of acute meningitis. The condition lasted for twelve hours from the time of onset, and the patient died. At the autopsy, the dura was found to be adherent intimately to the calvarium. A condition of acute meningitis obtained. A perforation measuring 10 mm. in its horizontal diameter and 15 mm. in its vertical diameter, and its cavity occupied by a slough, was found in the posterior surface of the petrous bone, 15 mm. from the internal auditory meatus and encroaching on the groove for the lateral sinus. The dura was lifted up from the bone here but no thrombosis of the sinus existed. A probe passed from the perforation through to the external auditory meatus. A further examination of the body was not permitted by circumstances. This is to be regretted, as a soft blowing systolic murmur was to be heard during life over the mitral and aortic areas of the heart. This condition was observed in a similar case before this Society, some two years ago, in which some suspicions of ulcerative endocarditis were entertained.