

In all cases of severe injury to the abdominal organs, with evidence of laceration or hæmorrhage, if the patient does not improve within a comparatively few hours, recourse should be had to operative treatment.

In all cases of extra-uterine pregnancy, as soon as the diagnosis is clear, operation should be undertaken. The rupture is sure to take place in these cases, compelling an operation under very unfavorable conditions, often on a collapsed patient, and in a hurry. It is much better to operate in advance of the rupture, when the advantages are on the side of the surgeon and patient.

While abdominal section is not advocated as a means of diagnosis, there are obscure cases with very severe symptoms where such is justifiable to clear up the ground. The almost universal fatality of intra-abdominal lesions of traumatic origin is so well known that there would hardly seem to be any question as to the wisdom of opening the abdominal cavity.

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THE following is the provisional list of papers to be presented at the Ontario Medical Association, which convenes in the Council Buildings, Toronto, June 5th and 6th :

DISCUSSIONS AND PAPERS.

The President's Address, R. W. Bruce Smith, Hamilton. Papers by Guests : "Intestinal Complications in Gynecic Surgery," J. B. Murphy, Chicago ; "Embryonic Remains in Cases of Eczema of the Navel," Robert T. Morris, New York ; "Operative Treatment for Bronchocele," Francis J. Shepherd, Montreal ; "Laryngeal and Tracheal Tuberculosis—the Importance of their Early Recognition and Treatment," F. W. Chappell, New York. Discussion in Medicine—"Diphtheria," W. J. Wilson, Richmond Hill, followed by G. M. Aylsworth, Collingwood, and J. T. Fotheringham, Toronto. Discussion in Surgery—"Delayed Union in Fractures," Geo. A. Peters, Toronto, followed by I. H. Cameron, Toronto, and A. McKinnon, Guelph. Discussion in Therapeutics—"The Physiological and Therapeutic Action of Iron, with a discussion of its newer Pharmaceutical Compounds," H. A. McCallum, London, followed by J. H. Sangster, Port Perry, and A. T. Rice, Woodstock. Discussion in Obstetrics—"The Primary Repair of Genital Lesions of Child-birth," K. N. Fenwick, Kingston, followed by H. Meek, London, and H. T. Machell, Toronto. "The Present Position of Antitoxine in