

than probable that some minute local lesion of the parenchyma is present as a cause of the abnormal urine.

An interesting condition, too, in which sometimes the kidneys are extensively diseased without albumen being found in the urine, is manifested sometimes in the case of neoplasms. Two such samples, which were passed around, showed in the one case sarcomatous nodules involving nearly all of both kidneys, while in the other a metastatic cancer had affected more than two-thirds of both organs, and yet the urine in each case had been normal within a few days of the respective patient's death.

Dr. W. F. HAMILTON referred to two cases of albuminuria in connection with angina.

In one seen in Vienna there was no evidence of infectious disease and it was looked upon as a case of general infection from streptococcus. In the other, under Dr. Buller's care, there was mild angina, a little later severe nervous symptoms, and later again albumen casts were demonstrated in the urine.

He emphasized the importance of determining the presence of peptone as already referred to by the leader in the discussion.

In the occurrence of casts without albumen, he thought it was possible that the albumen was so minute in quantity as to escape detection by the tests ordinarily employed.

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Myxo-Sarcoma of the Femur.

Dr. JAS. BELL reported this case, a report of which will be published later.

Excision of the Rectum by Heinecke's Method.

Dr. G. E. ARMSTRONG reported the following case and showed the patient :

M. M., æt. 58, was admitted into the Montreal General Hospital suffering from carcinoma of the rectum. The growth involved the upper part of the external sphincter and the whole circumference of the rectum as high as the finger could reach. It was quite evident that the whole growth could not be removed from the perineum and that the sphincter was so much involved that it could not be saved. The lumen of the rectum was so much encroached upon that only liquid fæces could be passed.

On the 5th of March I performed a left inguinal colotomy after the