

MCGILL MEDICAL SOCIETY.

The third regular meeting of this Society, for the Summer Session was held May 4th, Dr. James Bell presiding. After reading and confirmation of the minutes, Dr. Ritchie was proposed for membership.

Dr. Osler reported a case of Retro-peritoneal Cancer, or Lympho-sarcoma, in a child, occurring in the practice of Dr. Gardner. At the autopsy a large tumour was found occupying the right half of the abdominal cavity. The right kidney was imbedded in it. The ureter constricted and the pelvis of the kidney somewhat dilated in consequence. Above it was attached to the liver and had eroded one rib.

On section, the appearance was much like that of a foetal brain, being soft and pulpy in consistence with alternate streaks white and grey in color.

Under the microscope were seen sections showing its structure of small round bodies like lymph corpuscles.

Another enormous specimen of the same kind of growth and occurring in the same situation in the abdomen of an adult, was also exhibited. It measured a foot or more in diameter, was lobulated in appearance, of very firm consistence, and had weighed when extracted about 40 lbs.

A third specimen exhibited by Dr. Osler was a kidney taken from a man who had died from a severe burn, the immediate cause of death being the consequent pneumonia. On section, it showed numerous minute white spots of fatty degeneration, the result of the inflammation caused by the burn.

Mr. Lyford exhibited a large, fatty tumour from the tuber ischii of a dog.

Mr. L. D. Mignault read a paper upon a case of Phlegmasia Alba Dolens, under the care of Dr. Fenwick, in the Montreal General Hospital.

G. R., æt. 32, was admitted on April 23rd, two weeks after her first confinement in which she had been attended by a midwife. Slight swelling of the left leg was noticed during the latter part of gestation. The labour was long and difficult, and followed by considerable hæmorrhage. Child still born.