

rounding counties are to be invited. Drs. Garrett, Abbott, Ryan, Forster and the President, were continued as a committee to conclude arrangements for such meeting.

Dr. Herald showed a case from his ward of grave anaemia, with marked venous bruit over neck and abdomen, and aortic (abdominal) pulsation. The blood showed the characters of a pernicious anaemia.

Dr. W. T. Connell showed a specimen from a man aged 70, showing carcinoma of prostate and vesiculae seminales upon which acute suppurative cystitis leading to the surgical kidney had supervened. The pelvic and retroperitoneal glands were the seats of metastatic deposit and were also suppurating. The veins of the vesical and prostatic plexuses were thrombosed (suppurative phlebitis).

The President then delivered the annual address, which is contained in full in this issue of the QUARTERLY. This paper provoked a spirited discussion amongst the members. All present agreed that Chemistry occupied an undue proportion of the curriculum in relation to its importance. Dr. Wood believed that 6 months on theoretical and 6 months on practical would meet all requirements, but he would not have the time further reduced. Dr. Forster thought that the time for theoretical chemistry was previous to entering upon medical studies. Dr. Clarke thought Dr. Herald did not go far enough in his paper. He believed that only teachers should examine upon medical subjects—and pointed out how impractical and in some cases absurd questions at times appeared on the Council examination papers. Dr. Clarke's views were accepted by all present.

BOOK REVIEWS.

MCFARLAND "Text Book of the Pathogenic Bacteria" second edition, 1898. W. B. Saunders, Philadelphia. Price \$2.50 — In this volume of 475 pp. the author has presented us with a very readable book in which the study of the Pathogenic Bacteria is presented in a clear and systematic manner. Dr. McFarland has