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TRANSPLANTATION OF URETERS INTO THE RECTUM FOR EXSTROPHY OF THE BLADDER—BY THE AUTHOR'S EXTRA-PERITONÆAL METHOD.—THREE ADDITIONAL CASES.*

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In the issue of the *British Medical Journal* of June 22nd, 1901, I reported a case (Case No. 1) of the above-named operation performed on a child, B. S. G., aged five, on the 15th July, 1899. It is now more than two and one-half years since that operation was performed, and the boy remains in perfect health, is growing normally, and to all appearance is as healthy and strong and happy as any other boy of his age. (Patient exhibited.)

Recently three other cases of exstrophy of the bladder have been under my care, and have been submitted to the same operation, with results up to the present very satisfactory in two cases, while operation in the third case was followed by death on the fifth day, from acute ascending infection.

The method of performing the operation in these three cases was practically the same as that described in the article above referred to, and for the benefit of those not familiar with this article, may be briefly summarized as follows :

The first step of the operation is to insert a soft rubber catheter, about No. 5 to 7, into each ureter, passing it in about 2 1-2 or 3

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