

tory reaction and thus accounting for cough, physical signs and bloody sputum.

ENTEROGENOUS CYANOSIS.—(Van den Bergh und a Grulterink. Berliner, k Wochen, No. 1, 1906).

By this term we understand a condition or symptom complex whose marked feature is cyanosis, associated with some intestinal disease, the lungs and heart being free. It has been found under different conditions as ulcerative enteritis, urethro-rectal fistula, chronic enteritis with choleraic seizures and collapse, and retention of bowel contents. Clubbing of the fingers and toes has been observed to develop and disappear with the onset and relief of the cyanotic features. Dyspnoea and those features of cardiac or respiratory cyanosis are wanting. An analysis of the blood divides the cases into two classes; those in which the blood is met-hæmoglobin and those in which the blood is sulpho-hæmoglobin.

While the nature of the substance causing sulpho-hæmoglobinæmia seems to be hydrogen sulphide, that inducing methæmoglobinæmia seems to be in all probability nitrites in the circulation, and it is suggested that there may be either an increased absorption or an excessive production of these nitrite bodies which have been found fixed to the corpuscles. They are possibly of bacterial origin.

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The ninth regular meeting of the Society was held Friday evening, February 1st, Dr. F. G. Finley, president, in the chair.

PARTIAL GASTRECTOMY FOR PYLORIC CANCER.

A. E. GARROW, M.D., and C. A. PETERS, M.D.—The report of this case appears on page 175.

F. R. ENGLAND, M.D.—I would like to ask Dr. Garrow's opinion as to how the gauze happened to be there. The case altogether is a most successful one and it would be interesting to note whether there was any recurrence later on.

A. E. GARROW, M.D.—We are unable to explain the presence of the gauze in the stools and the patient denied having swallowed it, though it is my impression that it had been swallowed. There certainly was no relation between the gauze packing in the wound, and that passed in the stool besides the diary of the case showed that each piece used had been accounted for.