

Society Reports.

TORONTO CLINICAL SOCIETY.

STATED MEETING, APRIL 4TH, 1900.

The President, Dr. Bingham, occupied the chair.

Fellows present: Drs. Aikins, Anderson, Fenton, Hamilton, Badgerow, King, Rudolf, McIlwraith, Small, Trow, Bruce, Cameron, Parsons, Pepler, Dwyer, Orr, Elliott.

Visitors: Drs. Spence and Dean, of the Toronto General Hospital.

Nomination for Fellowship: Dr. J. H. McConnell, by Drs. Bingham and Elliott.

Nomination of Officers: President, Dr. W. H. B. Aikins; Vice-President, Dr. George A. Peters; Corresponding Secretary, Dr. A. A. Small; Recording Secretary, Dr. George Elliott; Treasurer, Dr. W. W. Pepler; Executive Committee, Drs. Hamilton, Parsons, King, Bruce, Rudolf, McIlwraith, Dwyer, Anderson, Badgerow, Fotheringham, Fenton, Silverthorn and Trow. Five of these to be elected at the next meeting in May.

Cancer of Rectum and Prostate.

Dr. E. E. King presented a patient, a man aged 59, upon whom he had operated for carcinoma of the rectum. Patient had always been healthy. In 1897, two years before seen by the surgeon, he noticed a condition of irritation around the anus, with the passage of slimy material and some blood. Had a severe hemorrhage in August, 1899; on the following day he had another severe hemorrhage. Patient came under Dr. King's care September 26th, 1899; and on the 11th of October he excised the tumor presented. The mass extended from the sphincter, which it involved, three and one-half inches, including the whole of the circumference of the bowel, and there were enlarged inguinal glands, an interesting fact, because it is exceedingly rare that these glands are involved. Only five months have elapsed since the operation, and he has gained somewhere in the neighborhood of twenty pounds. The operation performed was a modified Kraske. An incision was made over the coccyx, which was removed, and the surgeon was thus able to get above the mass and draw down the gut without opening the peritoneum. The patient was examined by the Fellows.

Dr. King reported a second case, aged 56 at the time of operation. Bowel movements had been slimy and contaminated