

ON NASAL VERTIGO.

Dr. Joal, of Mont Doré, read a paper on this subject before the French Congress of Laryngology, in April, 1887, in which he stated the following conclusions :

1. There exists a nasal vertigo, a true *vertigo a naso laeso*.

2. It belongs to the group of reflex vertigos, such as gastric, laryngeal, uterine vertigo.

3. Irritation of the trigeminal filaments innervating the mucosa of the turbinated bodies, and the septum, is the starting point of the condition.

4. This irritation is transmitted to the vasomotor nerves through the sphenopalatine ganglion, whence arises circumscribed anæmia of the brain and vertigo.

5. The affections which give origin to vertigo are (1) nasal fluxions (odors, irritant vapors, snuff, flowering grasses); (2) acute coryzas; (3) chronic catarrh, especially the hypertrophic form; (4) mucous polypi; (5) post-nasal catarrh.

6. Vertigo is especially provoked by nasal affections of little importance.

7. The nasal reflexes are principally developed in arthritic individuals.

8. Vertigo can occur alone or be accompanied by other nervous phenomena—troubles of vision, *muscæ volitantes*, hemicrania, nausea, vomitings, great excitability, hypochondria, intellectual disability, nightmares, spasmodic cough, dyspnoëic cases, exaggerated secretions, syncope, feeble pulse, pallor of the face.

9. In order to establish a diagnosis, the nasal fossæ should be examined in every individual suffering from vertigo.

10. The recognition of nasal vertigo will sensibly diminish the number of cases of gouty, rheumatic, anæmic, congestive vertigos, as well as cerebro-cardiac neuropathy.

11. Vertigo ceases with the cure of the nasal affection to which it owes its origin. The condition has no connection whatever with Meniere's disease, and is independent of any affection of the ear. The author cites nine cases, on which, together with cases recorded by Massei, Guye, Gnuaro, Hering, Hack, and others, his essay is founded.—*Journal of Laryngology and Rhinology*.

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Dr. Wallace Clarke (M.D. McGill 1871), of Utica, N. Y., was in Montreal on a brief visit this month.

Dr. Leprohon (M.D. Bishops College 1879) has returned to Montreal from the Western States. He has commenced practice in his native city.

Dr. Hingston has been elected President of the Montreal School of Medicine and Surgery (Victoria College), in place of Dr. D'Oisonnens, whose term of office has expired.

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REVIEW.

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This book is not a complete treatise upon the Diseases of Women, but is mainly the outcome of Clinical and Didactic lectures delivered in the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania. This is a most interesting and instructive addition to the many late works on the above subject; but the manner in which the component parts of this volume are put together, viz., being Clinical histories in book form, make the reading very interesting and not nearly so wearying as the ordinary form of works on gynecology. The style of this book is very similar to Sayre's work on Orthopædic Surgery, and like this volume Goodell's Gynecology will, we predict, have a wide spread fame, and should be in the possession of every practitioner. The volume is beautifully bound and the letter press is large, clear and very distinct and the quality of the paper is of the very best.