

ecchinococcus disease among the Icelanders. Is the disease appearing to any extent in the second generation? Has an example of the taenia-ecchinococcus been found in a dog in the North West? The prevalence of pneumonia and typhoid fever brings up a host of interesting problems. I wish too, that we had more accurate information about the distribution of tuberculosis in the North West. Every month a careful statement of the vital statistics should be published and strong pressure brought on the proper authorities to keep up to the mark in this respect.

And lastly, the journal should have a wide and sympathetic outlook on all the problems relating to the profession of the Dominion, regarding them from the standpoint of Canadians and not simply through provincial spectacles. I hope in the matter of medical registration the journal will advocate reciprocity with the other provinces and with the mother country.

To give the journal loyal support is the duty, as it should be the pleasure of every man in the profession in the North West. I am sure I express the feelings of our colleagues in the older provinces and in Great Britain when I wish you God-speed in your new work.

THE TYPIC OR ANATOMIC OPERATION FOR THE RADICAL CURE OF OBLIQUE INGUINAL HERNIA.

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This operation was devised by the author in January, 1898, and was presented to the profession in May, 1900, at a meeting of the American Medical Association.

While the anatomic principles on which this operation is founded are as fixed as is the anatomy of the part itself, the technic will vary more or less according to the conditions encountered at the time of operation. However, the writer has not found it necessary to modify the operation in any of its essential details.

It is admitted by all operators that more than six per cent. of the recurrences following the Bassini operation take place at the upper angle of the wound, owing to the transplantation of the cord to that place, thus depriving the internal ring of sufficient protection. One of my assistants made fifty dis-