

## TORONTO CLINICAL SOCIETY.

The fifty-fourth regular meeting of the above society was held in St. George's Hall, Elm Street, on Wednesday evening, May 10th, at 8.30 p.m. The President, Dr. F. LeM. Grasett, occupied the chair. Fellows present: Drs. J. A. Temple, E. E. King, Ryerson, H. J. Hamilton, McIlwraith, Bruce, Boyd, Primrose, Small, William Oldright, Lehman, Peters, Badgerow, Thistle, Britton, Macdonald, Bingham, Fenton, Greig, Pepler and George Elliott.

In connection with the adjourned discussion on severe injuries and crushes involving the question of amputation, Dr. E. E. King showed two cases of injury of the foot and hand respectively, both street-car accidents, in both of which nature had effected the cure. Dr. William Oldright also showed a case of injury involving the question of conservative surgery, and described the conditions present.

Dr. Primrose introduced a patient, a woman, whom he had seen for the first time on Christmas morning, 1898. She had fallen on her outstretched hand on a piece of crockeryware. The flexors sublimus and profundus of both index and little fingers were completely severed. The superficial palmar arch was torn with much bleeding, and the cut was carried down to the metacarpal bones. The tendons were sutured with difficulty owing to the retraction, kangaroo tendon being employed. A drain was put in the outer angle of the wound, and it healed without suppuration, although there was a good deal of dirt in the wound at the time of the injury. The nerve passing to the index finger was sutured, but he could not secure the other nerves. The patient has sensation in that finger.

Drs. Peters, E. E. King and Oldright continued the discussion of the several cases presented.

### Un-United Fracture.

The subject of this case was a young lad of fourteen years. He was seen first by Dr. Temple on October 31st, 1898, for an alleged dislocation of the right shoulder, which had occurred five weeks previous to the time he was first seen by Dr. Temple. The injury was received in a football game. He was thrown violently to the ground, and received an injury of the upper part of the right shoulder. He was seen shortly afterwards by a physician, and the diagnosis then was dislocation of the right shoulder. The arm was then put up in splits with the arm close to the body, and strapped across it. The boy was kept in that attitude for four or five weeks, during which time he suffered from a great deal of pain. When Dr. Temple saw him