

though interesting, and quotes the dictum of Mikulicz; the danger to life from gastric ulcer is at least not less, but probably greater, than the danger of a complete modern operation. In conclusion he urges a more intimate co-operation of the physician and surgeon in the observation of patients with ulcer of the stomach. The surgeon, he says, must willingly grant that a majority of simple ulcers are best treated and cured by the internist, but on the other hand, the latter must as willingly consider surgical advice in the obstinate or serious types of cases, and learn in the living a pathology that it is impossible to learn in any other way.

Operation for the Radical Cure of Varicocele.

ROBERT M. THORNBURGH. "The suprapubic operation for the radical cure of varicocele, with a report of eighteen cases." *Medical Record, 29th August, 1903.*

From these cases the writer concludes that the suprapubic route seems to be the better. The field of operation can be more readily rendered aseptic; a dressing once properly applied will remain indefinitely and not be affected by the movements of the patient, and primary union is a practical certainty. It would appear to the writer that there are no advantages whatever that can be urged in favor of the scrotal incision.

Extirpation of the Urinary Bladder.

FRANK HARTLEY. "Extirpation of the urinary bladder." *Medical News, 29th August, 1903.*

This is an elaborate study of 23 cases with 12 recoveries. The different methods of operating are fully discussed; the writer favours in the male cutaneous or urethral implantation of ureters.

Mammary Cysts.

ROBERT ABBE. "Consideration of mammary cysts in the differentiation of breast tumours." *Medical Record, August 15th, 1903.*

Dr. Abbe lays stress upon the prevalence of cysts, which are often erroneously diagnosed for malignant tumours and quotes 41 cases in support of his argument. He concludes that the severe treatment of mammary amputation, at one time widely advised, and still advocated by some, has been much modified by recent discussion.