

cedure. Or continuous draining may be tried, or one or two of the spinal laminae may be removed. I had it done in one case with temporary benefit, but it is rather a serious operation. One hopeful feature about cerebro-spinal fever is that within the past year, Wassermann in Germany, and at the Rockefeller Institute of New York, Dr. Flexner, have prepared a serum which promises to be of great value both as a prophylactic and as a curative measure. The disease may be reproduced in monkeys, and the serum has cured them; and these workers have also been able to render monkeys immune. A serum prepared from the horse is in the market, and which is claimed to be of very considerable value. These are the main points about this remarkable disease. Some of you may never see it in epidemic form, but the sporadic cases are always with us, and I am very glad to have had this opportunity of calling your attention to it.