

Dr. Canniff thought that in certain conditions of the system gas might be produced in the peritoneal cavity.

Dr. Nevitt reported three case of enteric fever in which there was prolonged illness. One was characterized by many marked fluctuations of temperature, varying from normal to 104°. They all made good recoveries.

The President thought there had been a marked tendency to prolonged attacks of enteric fever during the last season.

Dr. Graham thought the nomenclature required attention. At present all fevers characterized by continued high temperatures were classed as enteric. He would make two divisions of them, namely, (1), enteric to include all cases with typical symptoms; (2), continued fever to include the ill-defined cases.

Dr. Canniff reported a case of traumatic inflammation of the knee, met with in Muskoka last summer during a holiday trip. The man was injured in the knee by an axe, the patella being almost completely divided, the femur cut into, and the cavity of the joint evidently opened. Severe arthritis followed. A good recovery has resulted under treatment by extension, cleanliness, and plenty of fresh air. He is unable to bend the knee and passive motion was advised with the hope of overcoming the ankylosis.

Dr. Macdonald reported a case of hydarthrosis of the knee which he is treating by injections of solutions of tincture of iodine, (3 ij. ad 3 j.), injecting 3 v. at each treatment after removing most of the fluid in the joint by aspiration. The patient had taste of iodine in the mouth a few minutes after the injection. The immediate effect of the treatment was to cause much swelling of the knee, but this began to abate in a few days and the joint returned to its normal size. The ultimate results remain yet to be seen.

Dr. Graham said he had a similar case about a year ago with Dr. Armstrong of

this city. 3 j. of pure tincture of iodine was injected. Both knees were treated and are now well. Other joints became affected subsequently. The iodine taste was present in this case also.

Dr. McPhedran reported a case of trouble in Scarpa's triangle, characterized by excessive pain and tenderness, slight swelling but no other evidence of inflammation. The limb was extended and flexion gave great pain. There was no history of injury nor evidence of any rupture of any of the soft tissues. If the bursa beneath the psoas were the seat of trouble there would have been flexion of the limb. Complete recovery resulted in about three weeks.

Dr. Rosebrugh then exhibited his modification of the McIntosh battery, galvanic and faradic combined, and gave a detailed description of it.

Stated meeting, January 25th, 1883.

The President, Dr. George Wright, in the chair.

Dr. MacKenzie, Riverside, was elected to membership.

Dr. Graham exhibited a placenta containing two cysts filled with dark brownish fluid. The case was premature.

Dr. Cameron showed for Dr. Harison; of Cambray, an acephalous monster. There was no neck, and the spine was bifid throughout the dorsal and cervical regions. Birth was given to a similar monster in the pregnancy previous to this one.

Dr. McPhedran showed a diffuent spleen taken from an old man who died in the House of Providence. There was marked chronic gastritis and all the organs, especially the heart, were very friable.

Dr. Cassidy then read a paper on Ruptured Perineum. He dealt with the subject exhaustively, relating cases in his own practice in illustration. He advocated very strongly immediate operation in all cases. He preferred keeping the bowels loose, and urged the necessity of keeping the parts scrupulously clean by the vaginal douche.