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THE PROGNOSIS IN CARDIAC DISEASE. *

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THE attention which has of recent years been paid to prognosis in heart disease and the increase of our knowledge with regard to it has led me to its choice as the subject for discussion this evening. Notwithstanding the progress which has been made, the prognosis in cardiac disease is still probably one the most difficult questions in clinical medicine. The fact that some of the most serious and suddenly fatal forms of disease are at times preceded by so few symptoms will always make it difficult to foretell the result in this class of cases. I am convinced that many points brought forward in this paper are already well known to you. It is, however,

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