

Dr. Kirkpatrick, speaking to the paper, showed a case of his own, asking the opinion of the meeting with regard to operation.

Dr. Stirling, referring to the operation for squint, mentioned the method of making a double fold or reef in the tendon. He reported a case where a splint of wood, one and a half inches in length, had lodged in the orbit. Cold locally and recumbent position on the back were the chief features of his treatment. He did not advise operation in this case.

Dr. Reeve advised the expectant attitude in the case under consideration, that of Dr. Kirkpatrick.

Dr. E. A. Kirkpatrick read case report—carcinoma of the lachrymal gland.

Dr. McLaren read, "Mesenteric Cyst, with Intestinal Obstruction."

Dr. Chisholm read, "Intestinal Obstruction."

Discussion on these papers followed.

Dr. Armstrong thought that in cases of intestinal obstruction, practitioners were inclined to wait too long before operating. He considered that when the obstruction was purely mechanical, the patient should not die. He recommended an exploratory incision as soon as symptoms of a serious condition developed, or when the patient does not react to one cathartic dose and an enema.

Dr. Elder mentioned a case where a sarcomatous mass, falling down, produced torsion of the intestine and acute obstruction. He protested against the giving of opium before a diagnosis is made.

Dr. Chisholm also emphasized the importance of immediate operation.

#### EVENING SESSION.—

The President in the chair called the meeting to order at 8 o'clock.

Moved by Dr. G. M. Campbell, Halifax, seconded by Dr. McLean, North Sydney, that minutes of previous session be taken as read. Carried.

The following were nominated for membership by the general Secretary:—Drs. J. R. Corston, Halifax; W. B. Moore, Kentville; A. C. Jost, Guysborough; C. B. Trites, Liverpool; A. E. Doull, Halifax; G. W. T. Farish, Yarmouth; J. McKenzie, Mulgrave; W. D. Forrest, Halifax; Robert King, Halifax; F. V. Woodbury, Halifax; D. J. Macdonald, Sydney; W. W. Alexander, Lachute; A. F. Buckley, Halifax; A. G. Ferguson, Moncton; W. H. Irvine, Fredericton, C. J. McNally, Fredericton, (N. B.); W. H. Eagar, Halifax; Thos. W.