

of urine but the results were too varied, owing possibly to the imperfect working of a rather complicated instrument. Up to the present I think surgeons are pretty well agreed that the two important points in determining the question of renal efficiency, are the specific gravity and the excretory power of the kidney together with the other symptoms.

DR. MARTIN: I have always been impressed by Caspar's work on the freezing point of urine, but so far it has not added much to the practical value of the diagnosis of a renal disease. With regard to cylindroids no statistics were made as they are very common and re associated with other conditions as well as nephritis. With regard to the epithelium I was not aware that it could be recognised whether epithelium came from the pelvis of the kidney, from the ureter or some of the lower layers of the bladder. So far as the examination of the urine in renal disease is concerned I think it was Welch who said that, while the clinician cannot tell in any way what is happening to the kidney by the condition of the urine, neither can the pathologist, looking at the kidney, tell what condition should be found in the urine.

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The fourth regular meeting for session 1904-5 was held in the Society's Rooms on Friday evening, November 18th.

Candidates for resident membership were:—Drs. D. A. Hingston, A. G. McAuley and J. R. Goodall.

Candidates for temporary membership were:—Resident Staff of Western Hospital—Drs. D. W. Morrison, Geo. Briggs, J. J. McGovern and Chas. A. Richardson.

Resident Staff of Women's Hospital:—Dr. Lippiatt.

Resident Staff of Royal Victoria Hospital:—Drs. King, Hardisty, McKechnie, Meakins, Lincoln, Church, McKenty, Hutchinson, Coffin, Faulkner, Gillis, Forster, Charman, Lauchland, Eaton and Rodgers.

Resident Staff of the Montreal General Hospital:—Drs. Campbell, Patch, Anderson, Forbes, Robinson, Fyshe, Ricker, Nutter, Reford, Kerr, Wood and Gibson.

The programme was as follows:—Case Report—(1) Carcinoma of Cardiac End of Stomach, Ridley Mackenzie and B. D. Gillies; (2) Abscess of the Pancreas, W. J. Telfer.

Papers:—(1) Hæmorrhage from the Uterus, Fernand Monod; (2) The placing of Perincal Sutures in position before laceration takes place, A. Laphorn Smith.