

F. R. ENGLAND, M.D. A year ago I saw a case of thrombosis following operation for removal of the kidney. Fortunately the patient recovered, and no pulmonary embolism occurred; but there was a thrombosis with great œdema of the right leg coming on 10 or 12 days after nephrectomy; the man was in a very weak condition but was not septic.

HYDATID DISEASE.

C. K. P. HENRY, M.D., read a paper upon hydatid disease. Dr. Henry also presented the patient who had been operated on for this condition, and had now returned with further cysts.

W. F. HAMILTON, M.D. I should like to ask if there was any microscopical examination made of this fluid; as, in most of these cases, such an examination would place the diagnosis beyond doubt.

F. J. SHEPHERD, M.D. Of the three cases mentioned two were only discovered by the pathologist at the post-mortem. In the third, Dr. MacKenzie made a diagnosis of echinococcus cyst which was confirmed at operation. In this case I do not think any trouble has occurred since operation. Another case, I think, occurred at the hospital under either Dr. Ross or Dr. Osler, of an echinococcus cyst of the brain, which was found post-mortem.

J. A. HUTCHISON, M.D. I would like to express my appreciation of the work Dr. Henry has given to this report, and to ask if he is aware of the fact that in the Winnipeg Hospital a number of such cases may be seen from the Icelandic colony in the Northwest.

RIDLEY MACKENZIE, M.D. Not long ago I saw the patient Dr. Shepherd spoke of; he was apparently in excellent health and there had been no return of the condition.

F. R. ENGLAND, M.D. What Dr. Hutchison says is quite true, it is not such a rare condition in the Northwest among the Icelandic people; Dr. Chown, of Winnipeg, a few years ago reported a number of these cases before the Canadian Medical Association.

C. K. P. HENRY, M.D. The patient reports that he has lived in Montreal ever since he came to Canada 16 years ago. As to the disease in the Northwest, Dr. Elder has written for information with regard to its incidence. In regard to the case of echinococcus cyst of the brain which Dr. Shepherd refers to, I have looked up the records but failed to find it. As to a diagnosis from the fluid obtained, I know that Dr. MacKenzie in his case also examined the fluid, and particularly looked for the hooklets, but there was nothing found characteristic of the condition to make diagnosis positive.