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Notes of a case of Diabetes Mellitus admitted into the Montreal General Hospital under the care of DR. D. C. MACCALLUM. Reported by G. C. BUTLER, M.D.

James Boroughs, æt. 40, married, a native of Ireland, was admitted into the Montreal General Hospital on the 5th of December, 1864, and placed under the care of Dr. MacCallum.

He is quite emaciated, stands about five feet nine inches, and weighs about 130 lbs., though he says he has weighed 170 lbs.; his countenance is vacant; he has a habit of imperfectly articulating his words; his hearing is a little obtuse and his memory not very reliable. He has resided in Canada since his boyhood, and, for the last ten years has followed the occupation of a sawyer. His father and mother died some years ago, the former of ship-fever and latter of liver complaint, both having previously enjoyed good health.

He always enjoyed good health until about nine years ago, he suffered from a severe attack of typhus or typhoid fever, which lasted for a long time, followed by a slow and tedious convalescence. Having completely recovered, he again enjoyed excellent health till about two and a half years ago. At this time he observed himself to be growing thin and paler; about this time also, or soon after, he noticed that he had more frequent calls to micturate, and that he passed larger quantities of urine.

This condition continued, gradually becoming more and more aggravated until the date of his admission. A few days previous to his admission he contracted a severe cold which, added to his existing debility, caused him to apply for relief.

PRESENT CONDITION.

At this time he was found labouring under the following *symptoms*: Sallow dusky complexion, in fact almost ghastly appearance of the fea-