

therapeutic means of great value. It was, however, likely to be abused by men who did not possess a thorough knowledge of the subject. We hope to give the paper and discussion in full in a future number.

Dr. Edwards then presented two very interesting cases of pseudo-hypertrophic muscular paralysis. They were brothers, one 12 the other 14 years of age. The younger one was stripped, and exhibited the typical character of this very obscure affection.

Dr. Stewart, of Montreal, in his remarks stated his belief in the curability of the disease if the treatment were adopted early enough. He placed most reliance on the use of galvanism to the spine.

At this stage Dr. Brodie, of Detroit, the President of the American Medical Association, was introduced and received with loud applause. Dr. Brodie in a very appropriate speech thanked the meeting for the reception given to him.

Dr. Park, of Buffalo, then read a paper on Surgical Sequelæ of the Exanthemata and Continued Fevers, which appears in the present number. The paper was an able one and was well received.

Dr. Edwards, of London, read a paper on Placenta Prævia, which was followed by a very interesting discussion. We hope to give both in full at a future time.

Dr. Tye moved, seconded by Dr. Stalker, that at the afternoon session the Association should be divided into medical and surgical sections so that the work of the programme might be accomplished. Carried.

It was moved by Dr. Mullen, seconded by Dr. Oldright, that Dr. W. T. Aikins be Chairman of the surgical, and Dr. Graham of the medical section. Carried.

The President then, on behalf of the Association, tendered the thanks of the members assembled to Drs. Jenks, Brodie, Park, and Howe, gentlemen from the United States, who had favoured the meeting with their presence and added to its interest by the reading of papers, etc. These gentlemen briefly responded.

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Correspondence.

To the Editor of the PRACTITIONER.

Since reading the paper on Galvanism in Neuralgia, published in your March number, my attention has been called to a four-cell galvanic battery made by Otto Fleming, 1009 Arch Street, Philadelphia, which I have found quite efficient for relief of neuralgic pain.

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Book Notices.

The Popular Science Monthly for June, New York, D. APPLETON & Co., comes with its usual welcome variety of interesting, popular and scientific articles. Among others we note an interesting essay by J. Macdonald Oxley, on "The Mediterranean of Canada," i.e., Hudson Bay and Straits; "Use of Sulphurous Disinfectants," by Tissandier (illustrated); the conclusion of Mattieu Williams' articles on "The Chemistry of Cookery," "The Nervous System and Consciousness," by W. H. Benedict, etc., etc.

The Land of Burns.—By J. CAMPBELL, M.D., C.M., L.R.C.P. Edin., Seaforth.

The greater part of this neat little work is taken up with the doctor's visit to Ayrshire, and concludes with a masterly defence of the life and works of Robert Burns. Of his visit to the land of Sir Walter Scott, we may presume to speak with some authority, having accompanied the doctor on that occasion, and must say that the descriptions are admirable and true to nature. The Highlander will read with interest his chapter on "The Land of the Gael." The Valedictory, delivered by the author when leaving McGill, is published by the special request of many of his old class-mates. The book contains an excellent photograph of Dr. Campbell, and may be had for the small sum of seventy-five cents. It is likely to have a large sale.

Berlin as a Medical Centre. A guide for American Practitioners and Students. By HORATIO R. BIGELOW, M.D. Reprinted from the *New England Medical Monthly*. Sandy Hook, Conn: New England Publishing Co., 1885.