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ON SOME OF THE VARIETIES OF DYSPNŒA MET WITH IN BRIGHT'S DISEASE.

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GENTLEMEN,—In selecting this subject as one not unworthy of the consideration of the members of the Association, I am influenced chiefly by its practical importance to medical men, and partly by the comparatively slight attention it has received from English authors. You will not expect a history of the subject at this time; nor will it be necessary to prove to those listening to me the curt treatment it has received from our English-speaking colleagues in Europe and America.

In speaking of some of the varieties of dyspnæa met with in Bright's disease, I will simply mention and dismiss without further consideration that common variety observed in both parenchymatous and interstitial nephritis which is largely referable to organic affections of the respiratory organs, such as bronchitis, hydrothorax, pulmonary ædema, etc. This variety is not apt to be overlooked when the cause of the dyspnæa is investigated, although even in it the respiratory disturbance is probably not due solely to the structural lesions revealed by the physical signs. This paper will rather be confined to some of those varieties of dyspnæa and disturbed respiration met with in Bright's disease not dependent upon discoverable disease of the lungs, pleura, or heart; and in describing them, I will do so in a clinical way

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