

and the *tâche cérébrale* was well marked. Symptoms of intracranial pressure having supervened and the child being on the point, apparently, of passing into a condition of coma, Mr. Waterhouse trephined through the cerebellar fossa of the occipital bone, giving exit to a small quantity of fluid. A drainage tube was left in, and the wound was closed, the fragments of bone being replaced by Macewen's method. The child did well, and the symptoms subsided, though at one time the wound seemed to have been infected by tubercle. The question of diagnosis was discussed, and it was pointed out that for success to be hoped for, it was necessary not to wait till the child was comatose.

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2. To relieve dyspeptic conditions and flatulent or fæcal distentions of the stomach and intestines.

3. To forbid the habitual consumption of agents which may exercise a toxic action on the heart, such as tea, coffee, alcohol, tobacco, etc., or that which may introduce or develop toxins in the alimentary canal.

4. To avoid and remove all gouty and other blood contaminations.

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6. To relieve the paroxysmal attacks by sedatives and stimulants.

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