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A DESCRIPTION OF THE CONJOINED TWINS,
MARIE-ROSA DROUIN.

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This remarkable specimen of the fusion in part of the bodies of two female children was brought to Montreal for exhibition during the month of April, 1878. It was exceedingly difficult to make a thorough examination of the children, as the mother was strongly opposed to having them handled or touched. By frequent visits, and by obtaining the consent of the mother to see the children whilst she was washing and dressing them, I succeeded in making out, not only the most important points relating to their union, but also in obtaining an excellent drawing, by Hawksett, of the appearances which they present anteriorly and posteriorly. The specimen belongs to St. Hilaire's class of *Monstres Doubles*; *Famille-Sysonien*; *Genres-Psodyme*; to Playfair's division of *Dicephalous Monsters*.

The children lie in their mother's arms much as they are represented in the plate, the two upper separated portions being about in a line with each other, and each forming nearly a right angle with the single trunk. The one to the left of the observer, named *Marie*, resembles the mother, has a fairer complexion, is