

cause was peripheral, and, on examining the genital organs the penis was found to be in a state of erection, which condition persisted between the paroxysms. Circumcision was performed, and the mucous layer of the prepuce found intimately adherent to the glans. During the 24 hours immediately following the operation the number of spasms was eighty; during the next 24 hours, forty; during the succeeding 24 hours, ten; and since then none, the child being apparently well. Ammon. Bromide 2 gr. every three hours had been administered, but I am satisfied the improvement was the result of the removal of the irritation by means of the circumcision. Remarks: The effects of the irritation had apparently been concentrated on the lower portion of the middle third of the Rolandic area since the spells began with the primary involvement of the hands, and spread in a radiating manner from this focus, but being nearer to the operculum the face was involved before the leg. There was no turning of the head to the opposite side, no effect on the pupils, &c., hence the parts affected seemed to be the ascending frontal and parietal convolutions alone.

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