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CASE OF PARALYSIS OF DOUBTFUL NATURE IN A CHILD.

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On Monday, Jan. 19th, 1880, I was asked to see J. Y., a boy aged 4 years and 7 months, who was said to have been losing power in his legs and complained of great pain in head, back and legs. From his parents I obtained the following family and personal histories up to present attack: Family history good, except that the father has been subject to headaches of a neuralgic nature, having had one intensely severe attack of occipital neuralgia whilst I was treating his son. Have two other children (one older and one younger), both good-natured, healthy boys. My patient, Johnny, described to me by his mother as being the crossiest and worst tempered child she had ever seen; is said to have been a healthy baby till he began cutting his eye and double teeth, during which time he was fretful and restless, and had two or three convulsions with each tooth; at this time he also sweated very much about the head. For eight months after cutting last tooth had good health, but at this time, when 2 years and 8 months old, he lost power in his right ankle and could not walk. A doctor treated him for sprain, but not improving after five months, his mother took him to another doctor, who said he was paralyzed, and applied electricity in the form of baths every second day for three weeks. Little or no benefit