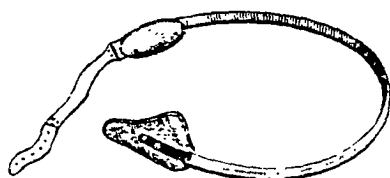


edge is slightly concave, and adapts itself to the flexure of the thigh, thereby permitting great freedom of motion. The upper edge is also slightly hollowed out, and is overlapped by a fold of the belly, which effectually prevents its rising out of its position. The pad is adapted to the spring by means of a swivel screw, which prevents its shifting its position with each movement of the body. The spring itself is of long leverage, which possesses unquestionable advantage over the short spring. It crosses the front of the pubis. At the other extremity of the spring is a circular cushioned pad, which rests on the loins; a short strap belts the body and is hooked on the anterior pad.



From the shape of the pad, it will be found to cover the whole of the inguinal canal; by its equable pressure, it will be found most comfortable to the patient, and by its remaining fixed in its position it will not give rise to the local irritation (galling) which is much complained of by those who are so unfortunate as to require the use of trusses.

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ART. VIII.—*Cases of Tetanus.* By JOHN REDDY, M.D., L.R.C.S.I., &c.,
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TRAUMATIC TETANUS.

Denis Walsh, aged 11, admitted into the Meath Hospital and County Dublin Infirmary, March 3, 1846, under the care of Mr. Smyly, complaining of severe pain in the head, chest, and along the spine, with difficulty of swallowing, and general spasm.

States that on Wednesday last, at mid-day, he received some smart blows of a stick on his neck, and along his back, leaving a slight bruise on the former, accompanied with some pain, which did not last long. Almost immediately he was seized with pain, chiefly confined to the forehead, but not so severe as to prevent him from playing about. With the exception of the head-ache, nothing particular was observed to be wrong with him during the remainder of the day. He slept uneasily during the night, and next morning was unable to leave his bed. Had great pain in the head, could only swallow a little tea, his jaw felt tight; experienced an uneasy choking sensation in the throat, which latter feeling became so troublesome, particularly when he attempted to swallow, that