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Case of Depressed Fracture of the Vault of the Skull in a Child of Five Years, Recovery. By GEORGE E. FENWICK, M.D., Professor of Clinical Surgery, McGill University.

On the evening of the 1st January, I was requested to visit a little child who had met with a severe accident resulting in a simple depressed fracture of the vault of the The history I learnt was as follows : while playing cranium. about in a large upper room in one of the wholesale warehouses in this city the little fellow wandered inside of a sky-light, broke through the glass and fell to the plank floor beneath, a distance of some sixteen feet. The accident was not observed, but his father, who was in the next room, hearing him cry, went to his assistance; when found, hewas lying on his right side, was whining, seemed to be partially conscious, could give no account of himself, there. was no external wound but the child appeared stunned and confused, the accident occurred shortly after mid-day, the child was taken home and as he appeared inclined to sleep he was put to bed and kept quiet. Before being put to bed he walked across the floor of the room complained that his head was sore, recognised those around him, seemed desirous of being left quiet, vomited twice, and subsequently fell asleep, it was a restless sleep as he would start and moan but did not awake, between three and four hours after the accident he was seized with a convulsion which continued