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### CASE OF CEREBRAL TUBERCLE ?

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E. P., æt. 12; parents both living and well. Her *father's* family consisted of three females and five males, all living and well.

Her *mother's* family consisted of the mother and father and twelve children, with history as follows:—

Father and mother both died of consumption.

Children—1. Male, died, æt. 13, consumption; (2) Female, married, died æt. 32, of consumption. Her husband died, but was not consumptive. Two children both died in infancy; (3) Female, died, æt. 25, consumption, not married; (4) Female, died, æt. 19, consumption; (5) Female, died, æt. 20, consumption, unmarried; (6) Male, died, æt. 23, consumption, married, no children, wife living and well; (7) Male, died, æt. 22, consumption, unmarried; (8) Male, died, æt. 20, consumption, unmarried; (9) Male, died, æt. 17, consumption, unmarried; (10) Female, living and well; (11) Female, living and well; (12) Male, died, æt. 18, consumption, unmarried.

Patient has three sisters and nine brothers living and well; one sister died at the age of eight months.

*History of previous illness.*—Has had no disease but measles.

*History of present illness.*—Patient complained about four months ago of headache.

The pain extended all over the vertex; vomiting occasionally occurred; the mother had taken her from school; suddenly about six weeks after the first symptoms of headache and vomiting the patient was prostrated with vomiting, hard retching, and violent pain in the head; I was called to see her, and ordered ice to the head, and large doses of bromide of potassium; she was soon well again. About seven days after this her mother brought her to my office to consult me concerning the diplopia which had just developed; I examined the eyes with ophthalmoscope and found optic disc normal; the diplopia could only be obtained in the lower half of the square; no appreciable squint to be noticed; I concluded that the trouble was in the inferior rectus or superior oblique; ordered her to wear a bandage over the left, or sound eye; pupils acted well to light and patient could read if one eye was bandaged.

About two weeks after I was called to see her again; mother said she could not keep either eye bandaged as it made her feel sick and brought on the headache; she had just had another attack, commencing about the same time as the last one, *i.e.* at four a.m. The headache came first, then vomiting; and about four p.m. the same day she had a severe convulsion. The hands were thrown back; there was a slight cry; the teeth were ground together, and the tongue injured, so that it bled; consciousness was lost for three or four minutes, and then the patient spoke rationally, and complained of