

after being refused some article at the tea-table. She fell forwards with her head on the table. On the doctor's arrival, she gave the appearance of a healthy child apparently asleep, eyes closed, muscles all relaxed, eye-balls turned up in the natural position of sleep; pupils slightly dilated, but equal, responding slightly to light. The pulse was regular at 80; respirations at 17. The mouth was opened quite easily; tongue clean. There was no urine passed during this condition. On raising the arm, it would be kept in that position for for 20 to 30 seconds. Then it gradually fell. An enema was given, and the child ordered to be kept quiet. Two hours afterward it awoke.

DR. W. B. THISTLE said he had been impressed with the presence of ankle clonus in the case of Dr. Fotheringham, as many authorities seem to think that that is not consistent with the diagnosis. He recited the history of several cases and dwelt on the difficulty of diagnosis in these cases.

DR. RUDOLF confined his remarks to prognosis, and stated it was necessary to be careful in diagnosis to eliminate the presence of organic disease. He cited several cases illustrating this, which also had a bearing on the prognosis. As regards death intervening, the prognosis was nearly always favorable. Recovery was not so good.

DR. DWYER emphasized the importance of eliminating organic disease being present, and gave several apt illustrations proving the necessity of employing great care in excluding the organic factor. He was inclined to think also that the reports of a rise of temperature were not substantiated with solid and accurate facts.

DRS. PRIMROSE and OLDRIGHT contributed to the discussion by referring to cases seen by them.

DR. FOTHERINGHAM referred to the question of age: hysteria coming on after puberty is not recovered from to the same extent as that occurring before that age. The medicinal treatment was not of much use: the suggestive treatment was the best. Hypnotism, especially in children, was of no service. He closed the discussion with an allusion to the diagnosis.

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