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Dr. JOHN THOMPSON reported the following case of

PHYMOSIS CAUSING EPILEPTIFORM CONVULSIONS.

The patient, aged 30, had congenital phymosis, and was a confirmed masturbator for the past three years. He became partially idiotic in appearance and had frequent epileptic seizures, brought on only in connection with irritation of the penis. The prepuce was long and contracted, a hard inelastic ring extending back over the glans. The glans was small, and a small part of it protruded when the prepuce was well retracted. Its mucous membrane was easily lacerated. Circumcision was done, the prepuce being slit up along a director, the redundant flaps removed with curved scissors, and the integument and mucous membrane united with fine sutures. The parts healed by first intention. He has improved in general health, has forgotten his former indiscretion, has no spasms or epilepsy,

has lost his idiotic expression, and has developed into a manly fellow.

The paper closed with reference to the paper of Dr. L. A. Sayre, read before the American Medical Association in 1870, on "Partial Paralysis from Reflex Irritation caused by Congenital Phymosis and Adherent Prepuce."

Dr. J. M. BIGELOW made a verbal report of a case of "Hyperidrosis," in which, after using various remedies without avail, he applied, with satisfactory success, Hebra's treatment of enveloping the part daily in diachylon ointment.

Society adjourned.

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Secretary.