d.—THERAPEUTICS OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.

BROMIDE OF GOLD IN THE TREATMENT OF EPILEPSY.—Bourneville, and Magnan have used the bromide of gold in the treatment of epilepsy, but with no results. The dose was about 10 centigrammes.—*Progrès médicale*, 1883, p. 87.

THE TREATMENT OF EPILEPSY.—Dr. Robert Saunby sums up an article on this subject as follows :

The principal points to which I wish to draw attention are :

1. The value of combining bromide salts with each other (sodium, ammonium, potassium, lithium, and camphor), and with digitalis.
 2. The value of zinc and cannabis indica as adjuvants to the bromide.
 3. The use of borax in some cases which resist the bromides.
 4. The employment of caffeine or theine and nitro-glycerine in the treatment of epileptic vertigo.—*The Practitioner*, Feb., 1883.
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MEDICAL ANNOTATIONS CONCERNING EPILEPSY.—In an article under this title, Dr. Radcliffe gives some of the results of his experience in the treatment of epilepsy. He does not believe in the utility of giving much larger doses of the bromides than 3 i daily, (in this differing from most others). He is most disposed to use the bromide of ammonium as least likely to stultify and disfigure the skin. He thinks that the addition of iodide of potassium and bicarbonate of potassium makes it possible to give less of the bromide. Hypophosphite of soda increases the potency of the bromide one half or one third. Dr. R. recommends a diet with considerable fat (butter, olive-oil) and with only a moderate amount of nitrogenous matter. Regular employment of mind and body are also considered necessary.—*The Practitioner*, Feb., 1883.

THE REMEDIES IN THE TREATMENT OF EPILEPSY BEFORE THE INTRODUCTION OF THE BROMIDES.—Dr. James Russell gives the results of his experience with other remedies than the bromides in the treatment of epilepsy. His notes cover forty-nine cases. The drugs used were: iron, zinc, arsenic, strychnine, opium, cannabis indica, belladonna, atropine, phosphoric acid, chloroform, ice to vertebral column, blisters, seton, positive electricity. With the zinc there was decided benefit in six out of twenty cases; with the arsenic, improvement in four out of nine cases; with strychnine, the result "was not very promising"; with opium, some amendment in six out of fourteen cases; with cannabis indica, temporary benefit only in six out of nine cases; with belladonna and atropine, results unfavorable.—*The Practitioner*, Feb., 1883.