

Parrot, in giving always a fatal prognosis, rather exaggerated the dangers of this condition. No doubt he saw his cases at some late stage. There are numerous cures, Fournier reporting several.

Parrot's disease may be confounded with fracture of the radius, with osteomyelitis, epiphyseal separation and anterior-polio-myelitis, and sometimes it is difficult to distinguish its true nature. Treatment must be continued for some time, and consists primarily in the strictest hygiene. Remedies to be used are mercurial baths and inunctions, Van Swieten's liquid and Gibert's syrup. L. F. B.

#### ACROMEGALIA.

In the "Gazette Hebdomadaire de Médecine et de Chirurgie," February 21, 1891, there is mention of Dr. Hugo Holste's case of acromegalia. Following an infectious disease in a subject forty-one years old, pain in the extremities and the classic symptoms of this rare condition appeared. This patient dying of erysipelas, an autopsy revealed a large and softened pituitary body that histologically showed no changes beyond increase in connective tissue. As the nine recorded autopsies in acromegaliac subjects give very different results, it is a little difficult as yet to pronounce upon the pathogenesis of this curious disorder. Broca's anatomical researches give definite evidence that the osteal lesions in acromegalia and those of Paget's disease are distinctly two.

The same journal, February 11th, gives the history of a woman, twenty-five years of age, in whom headache, ringing in the ears and pains in the fingers appeared after a great fright. Later the hands and feet increased in size without deformity, there was suppression of the menses, mental depression and an enlargement of the head, together with the characteristic change in its shape; the nose widened and the lips grew thick, especially the upper one; the tongue, ears, nails and thymus remained normal; the thyroid was small; there was hyperidrosis; electrical reactions, reflexes and sensibility were normal. L. F. B.

#### A CASE OF SYRINGOMYELIA COMMENCING AS A HÆMATOMYELIA.

Dr. Robinson reports in the "Journal de Médecine de Paris," February 22d, 1891, the following unusual case: A shoemaker, thirty-three years of age, a native of Asia Minor, presented himself for treatment at the Armenian