



# Wisdom and a Skillful Hand

Revisiting Our Past – Reshaping Our Future



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Wisdom = Judgement x Experience

*The value of experience is not in seeing much,  
but in seeing wisely.*

**Sir William Osler (1849 – 1919)**







Sophia



Caroline

May 2007

THE  
ROCK

UPALONG







Gordon W. Thomas (1920 – 1996)





# Newfoundland





Wilfred T. Grenfell (1865 – 1940)







John Mason Little, M.D.







Electrode

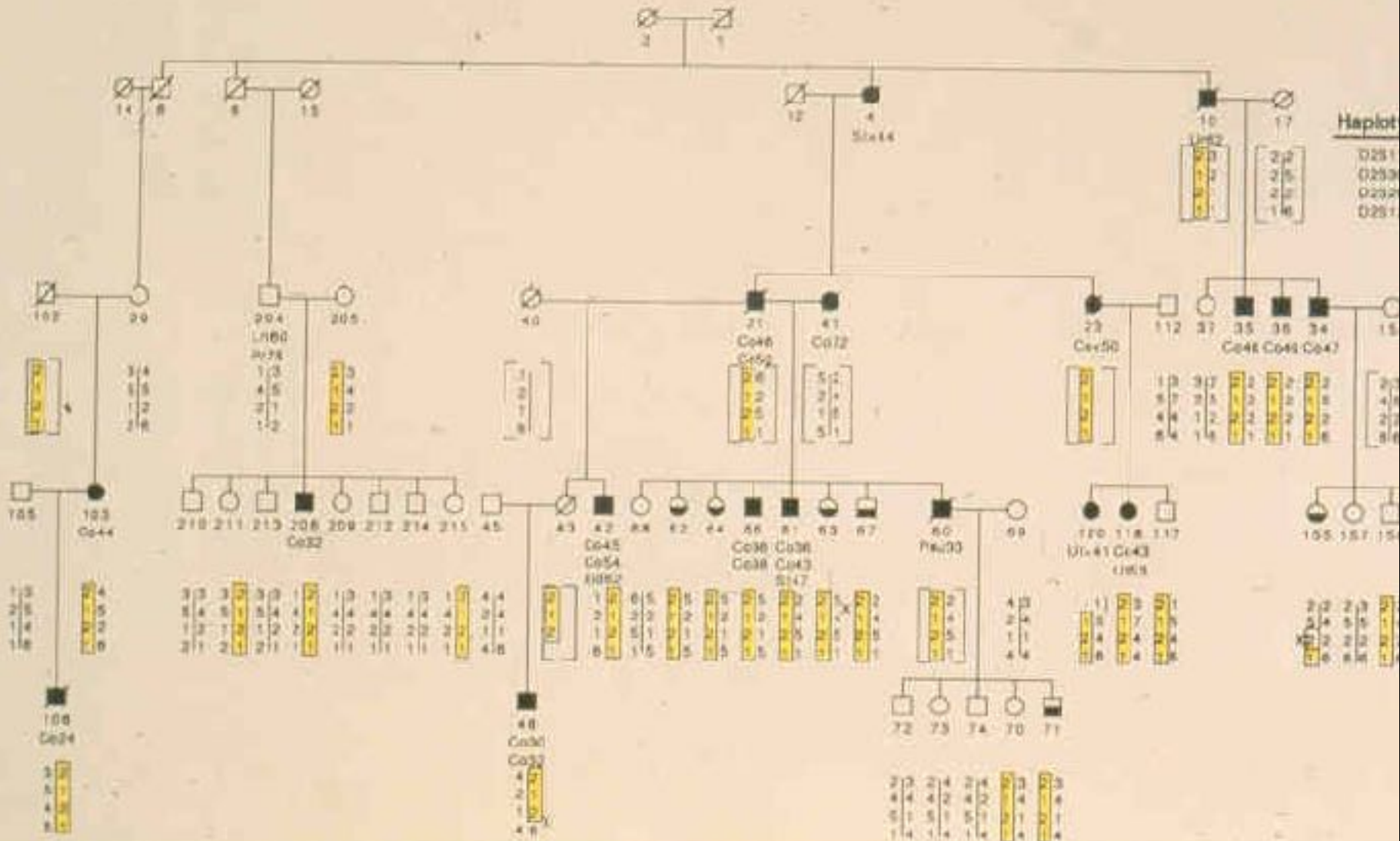
I think the current was too small  
but we had no better option.  
Though sufficient at 90 volts, which  
was critical of becoming but this  
was exact. It would not cause  
contact on of the three units.

certified 90 volt power. No response  
was elicited. The patient was very  
lightly chloroformed, none at all  
having been given or was given after  
the bone was removed. The electrode  
was used dry and wet. The attempt  
was abandoned. The brain was explored with the finger  
in all directions but nothing felt. One what I  
conceived to be the centre of the arm motor area.  
(Rolandic fissure having been identified) I thought  
the brain tissue looked a little discolored. I opened  
the fissure here, and incising the cortex examined it and  
also inside the tip of the finger but nothing could  
be found. The brain substance bulged a little through  
this opening and I scraped a little of it away.  
I then cut the dura away to within 1/2 inch  
of the bone edge. Tied a couple of bleeding points  
in the brain substance & sutured again. The  
prolapse of the brain had by this time returned  
and the brain was bulging to a level with the  
outer table. The skin flap was sutured  
and closed. A small rubber drain being left in its former  
angle and leading in to where the brain tissue was  
removed. The general condition had been excellent  
no disturbance of pulse, or respiration, and no  
muscular spasm (I had the hand & foot of the opposite  
side. All through this procedure a part to

S. Anthony. 1910.









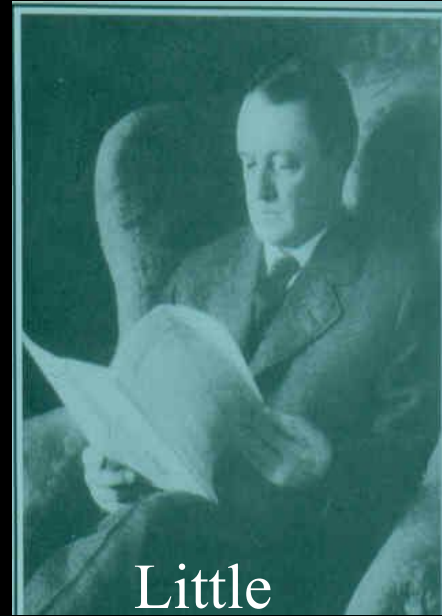
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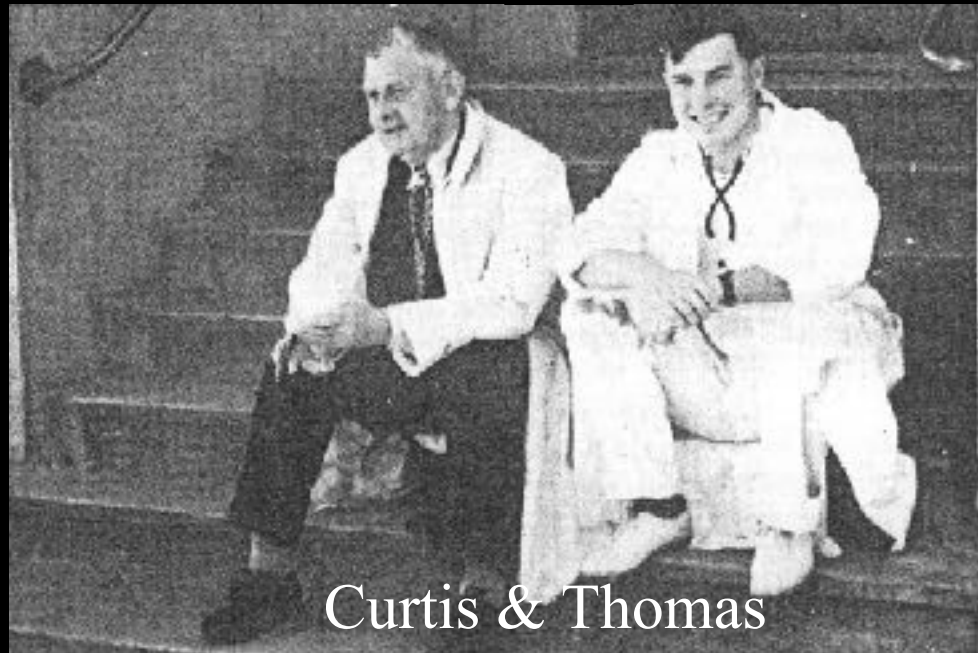




Grenfell



Little



Curtis & Thomas

MENTORS





Africa

24% of Disease  
3% of Workforce  
1% of \$

36 of 59 Critical Countries



Need:

2.4 million doctors, nurses, midwives

1.9 million others

Cost = \$136 million/person/yr (\$2.80/person/yr)

= \$ 311 million/person/yr (\$9.20/person/yr)

TRAUMA = 13%



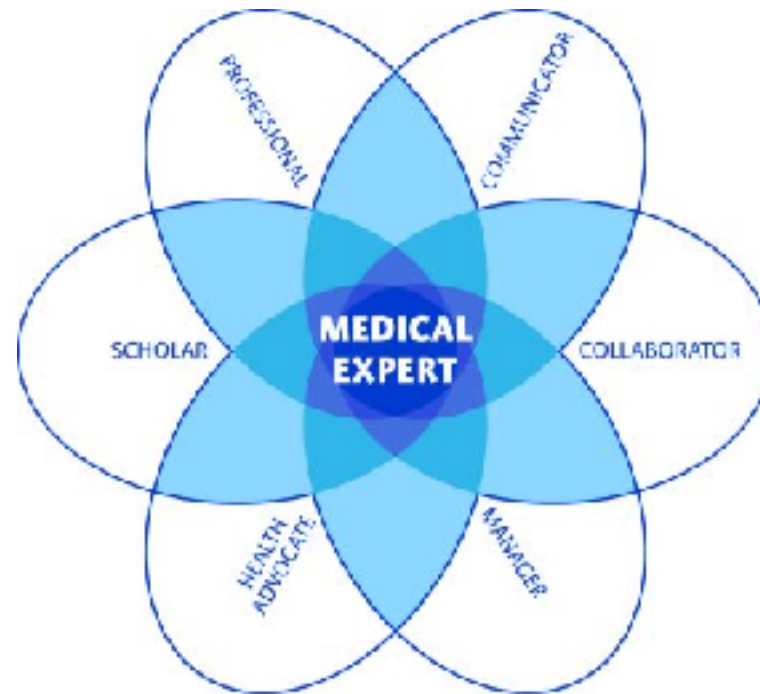
PREGNANCY = 1 in 13





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THE  
**CANMEDS**  
ROLES FRAMEWORK





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