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THE NAMES OF THE ENCEPHALIC ARTERIES.

ITHACA, N. Y., October 24, 1885.

To the Editor of the New York Medical Journal:

SIR: The report of my paper On a Seldom-described Artery (*A. termatica*), with Suggestions as to the Names of the Principal Encephalic Arteries, in the "Transactions of the American Neurological Association," pp. 33, 34 ("Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease," vol. xii, No. 3, pp. 348, 349, July, 1885), contains an error, due to my own inadvertence, which can be most effectually corrected if you can spare the space for the following table, as amended. Instead of two cerebellar arteries, there are three, *superior*, *anterior*, and *inferior*, the mononymic new names for which are *præcerebellaris*, *medicerebellaris*, and *postcerebellaris*, and the English paronyms of these, *precerebellar*, *medicerebellar*, and *postcerebellar*.

Common Latin names.	Proposed names.	English paronyms.	Abbreviations.
Vertebralis.	Vertebralis.	Vertebral.	<i>vertb.</i>
Basilaris. (<i>az.</i>)	Basilaris.	Basilar.	<i>bslr.</i>
Cerebellaris superior.	Præcerebellaris.	Precerebellar.	<i>prcbl.</i>
Cerebellaris anterior.	Medicerebellaris.	Medicerebellar.	<i>mcbl.</i>
Cerebellaris inferior.	Postcerebellaris.	Postcerebellar.	<i>pcbl.</i>
Cerebralis anterior.	Præcerebralis.	Precerebral.	<i>prcb.</i>
Cerebralis media.	Medicerebralis.	Medicerebral.	<i>mcbl.</i>
Cerebralis posterior.	Postcerebralis.	Postcerebral.	<i>pcb.</i>
Communicans anterior. (<i>az.</i>)	Præcommunicans.	Precommunicant.	<i>prcm.</i>
Communicans posterior.	Postcommunicans.	Postcommunicant.	<i>pcm.</i>
Choroidea anterior.	Præchoroidea.	Prechoroid.	<i>prchrd.</i>
Choroidea posterior.	Postchoroidea.	Postchoroid.	<i>pchrd.</i>

I have no mononym to propose for the very awkward dicynymic eponym, *Circulus Willisii* (circle or pentagon or hexagon of Willis), but one is certainly desirable.

In this connection, permit me to add that in the paper On Two Little-known Cerebral Fissures, following the one just named, on pages 350 and 351, *neutromesal*, *callossal*, and *hypocampal*, should be *ventromesal*, *callosal*, and *hippocampal*, and on page 352 *hippocampal* should be included with the "fissures mainly or partly mesal."

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