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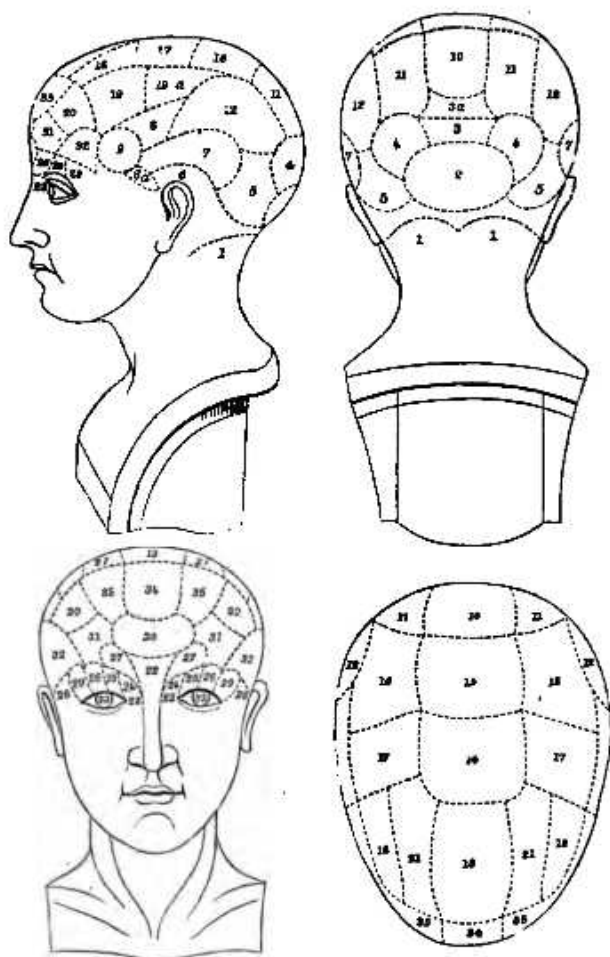
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INTRODUCTORY OBSERVATIONS.

PHRENOLOGY (derived from *φρεν*, *phren*, mind, and *λογος*, *logos*, discourse) treats of the faculties of the Human Mind, and of the organs by means of which they are manifested; but it does not enable us to predict actions.

Dr Gall, a physician of Vienna, afterwards resident in Paris, was the founder of the system. He was born at Tiefenbrunn, in Suabia, on 9th March 1757, and died at Paris on 22d August 1828. From an early age he was given to observation, and was struck with the fact that each of his brothers and sisters, companions in play, and schoolfellows, was distinguished from other individuals by some peculiarity of talent or disposition. Some of his schoolmates were remarkable for the beauty of their penmanship, some for their success in arithmetic, and others for their talent for acquiring a knowledge of natural history or languages. The compositions of one were elegant, the style of another was stiff and dry, while a third connected his reasonings in the closest manner, and clothed his arguments in the most forcible

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