

# NONE OF THESE THINGS MOVE ME

<sup>22</sup> *And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:* <sup>23</sup> *Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me.* <sup>24</sup> *But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.*

Acts 20:22-24 KJV

<sup>17</sup> *From now on, let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.*

Galatians 6:17 NIV

I. Five times forty stripes, save one.

(II Corinthians 11:24; Deuteronomy 25:2,3)

[2Co 11:24 NIV] <sup>24</sup> *Five times I received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one.*

[Deu 25:2-3 NIV] <sup>2</sup> *If the guilty person deserves to be beaten, the judge shall make them lie down and have them flogged in his presence with the number of lashes the crime deserves,* <sup>3</sup> *but the judge must not impose more than forty lashes. If the guilty party is flogged more than that, your fellow Israelite will be degraded in your eyes.*

- A. Naked, the tortured person had his arms tied so that he could not defend himself.
- B. A whip made of three long cords, one of calves hide, the other two of donkey hide.
- C. Pieces of glass bone and metal were attached to the ends of the cords.
- D. During these five encounters, Paul received 117 lashes each beating.
- E. In total 585 lashes tore Paul's upper chest, face, back, buttocks, and legs.
- F. There was no place on his body that did not have flesh ripped out.

II. Thrice beaten with rods. (II Corinthians 11:25)

<sup>25</sup> *Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was pelted with stones, three times I was shipwrecked, I spent a night and a day in the open sea,*

- A. The tortured would be bound tightly.
- B. Naked, the legs would be pulled up into the air as the feet were beaten with a huge metal rod.
- C. Most people would never walk again; they would be bleeding, broken, and maimed.
- D. These beatings were direct attacks against the gospel.  
(Isaiah 52:7; Romans 10:15)

[Isa 52:7 NIV] <sup>7</sup> *How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!"*

[Rom 10:15 NIV] <sup>15</sup> *And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"*

III. Once I was stoned. (Acts 14:19)

<sup>19</sup> *Then some Jews came from Antioch and Iconium and won the crowd over. They stoned Paul and dragged him outside the city, thinking he was dead.*

IV. Three times I suffered shipwreck. (II Corinthians 11:25)

V. Paul spent a day and night in the sea. (II Corinthians 11:25)

VI. In journeyings often (II Corinthians 11:26)

<sup>26</sup> *I have been constantly on the move. I have been in danger from rivers, in danger from bandits, in danger from my fellow Jews, in danger from Gentiles; in danger in the city, in danger in the country, in danger at sea; and in danger from false believers.*

VII. In perils of waters (II Corinthians 11:26)

VIII. In perils of robbers (II Corinthians 11:26)

IX. In perils by my own countrymen (II Corinthians 11:26)

X. In perils by the heathen (II Corinthians 11:26)

XI. In perils of the city

XII. In perils in the wilderness

XIII. In perils in the sea

XIV. In perils among false brethren

XV. In weariness (II Corinthians 11:27)

*<sup>27</sup> I have labored and toiled and have often gone without sleep; I have known hunger and thirst and have often gone without food; I have been cold and naked.*

XVI. In painfulness

XVII. In watchings often

XVIII. In hunger and thirst

IX. In fastings often

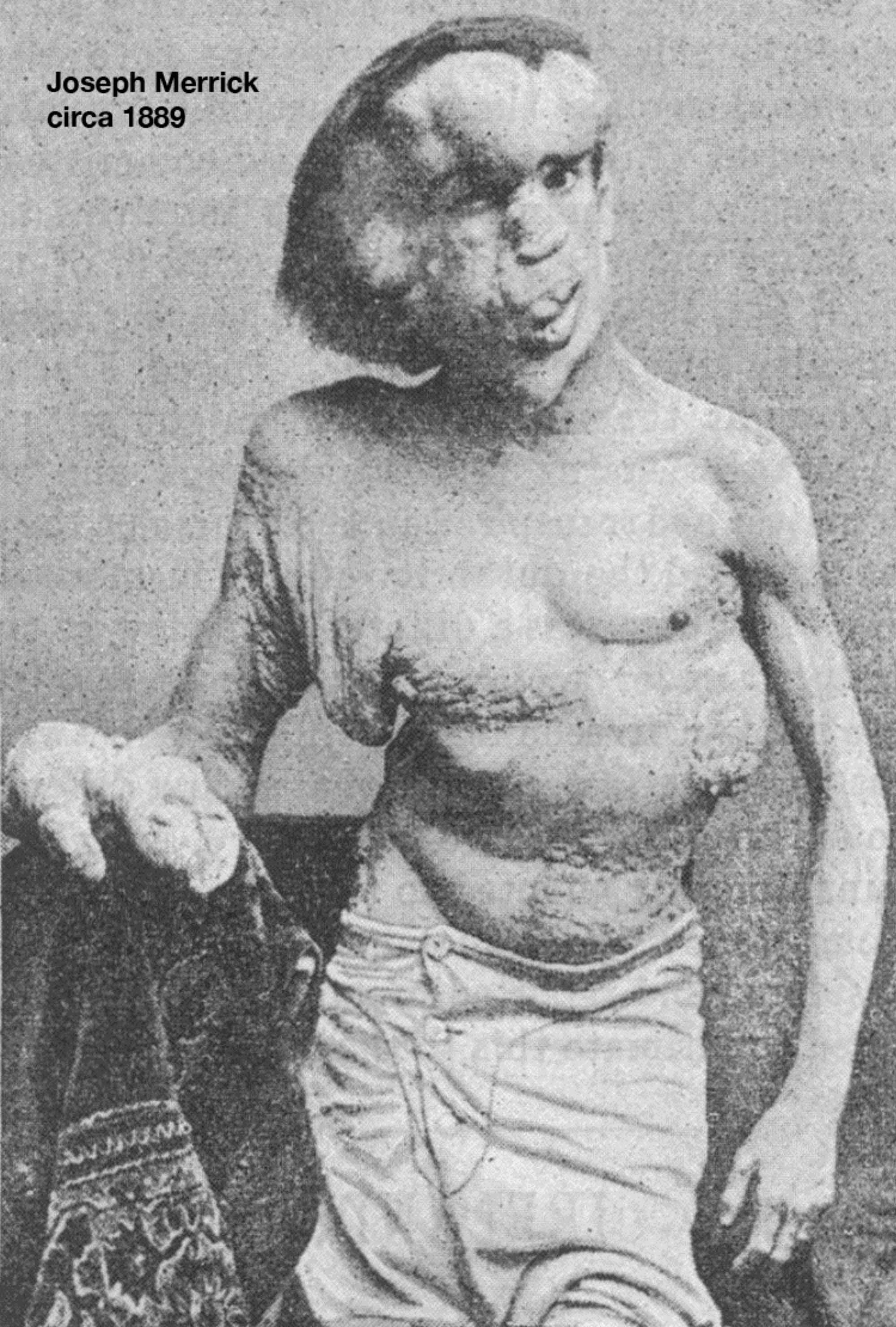
XX. In cold and nakedness

Gordon (slave)  
circa 1863

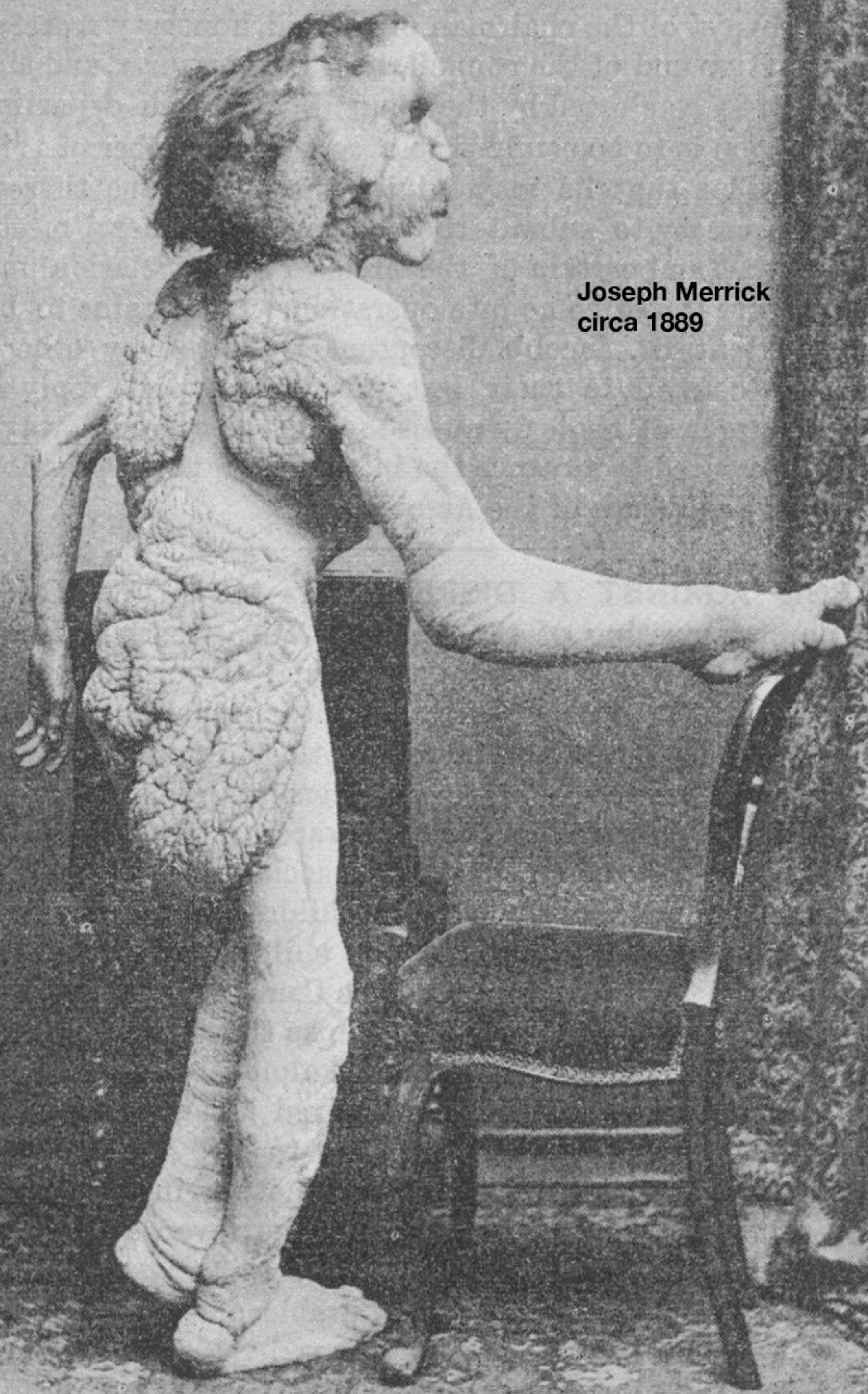




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