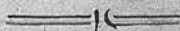


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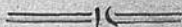
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## Introduction.

The first part of this Thesis is devoted to the consideration of the Clinical History of Typhus Fever. The morbid phenomena presented by the different physiological systems, during the course of the fever, are first of all described in detail; then the symptoms as a whole are reviewed; and lastly, the Prognosis and Diagnosis of the disease are ~~also~~ discussed. The second part treats of the Pathology of fever, and that of Typhus in particular. The order, in which the phenomena follow, shall be considered in relation to the actual duration of the fever in each individual case; and not according to an arbitrary standard of weeks or days as is usually done. I was induced to study the Symptomatology of the disease from that point of view by the following circumstance:— On arranging the pulse of the first five cases appended, in the manner of the table placed after Case XXIV, it was observed, that the pulse attained its maximum frequency earlier in cases of short duration than in those of long duration. I afterwards proceeded to investigate etc etc the symptoms of the disease in relation to its duration in different cases. In carrying out this idea, I have found it very advantageous, to arrange the daily observations of each case in a tabular form; so that the different results may be readily compared. My task became thus

very laborious and difficult: and I must crave the indulgence of my learned critics for the imperfect manner in which it has been necessarily accomplished by one of such limited experience.

Several of the cases were observed while the author acted in the capacity of Clinical Clerk in the Clinical Ward: but the majority were observed in the fever ward, under which is under the charge of Dr. Saunders: to whom I am indebted for affording me every facility to carry on the observations. I am also indebted to Prof. McLagan, and his able assistant, Dr. Gange, for enabling me to give the estimation of the urea in one of the cases.

In the first seven cases, the observations were made at noon, and in the evening from 7-9 o'clock. In all the remaining cases the observations were made from 3.30-5.30 pm. The morning urine was the specimen always examined, unless the whole quantity passed within 24 hours was collected; in which case a specimen of the whole quantity passed was examined. The diet of the patients usually consisted of a little bread with beef-tea or milk. There was no selection of cases; the only cases rejected were those which entered the hospital late; and those in which there was any doubt as to the diagnosis.

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Diagram representing the Ranges of Temperature in Dr. Richter's Cases of Scarlet Fever.

Table representing the Effects of the "wet sheet" on the pulse and temperature in three cases of Scarlet Fever.

## Premonitory Symptoms and Mode of Seizure of Typhus Fever.

An attack of typhus generally comes on rather suddenly, but in some cases the health is a little deranged before the beginning of the fever. The individual attacked does not feel so well as usual; he becomes dull, abstracted, easily fatigued, and reluctant to exert either mind or body. Much more commonly, however, a period of incubation of about nine days having elapsed, the first inconvenience experienced is a dull frontal headache, a distinct shivering, with a feeling of chilliness, which induces the patient to keep close to the fire. Pain in the lumbar region also, and muscular pains in different parts of the body are frequently complained of. The countenance appears pale and listless; the patient is incapable of carrying on his ordinary occupations, and becomes sleepless and restless at night. Loss of appetite, thirst, and other febrile symptoms

soon follow, and the patient is rapidly prostrated.

## The Morbid Phenomena presented by the different Physiological Systems during the course of Typhus Fever.

### Integumentary System.

The physiognomy of the typhus patient is somewhat characteristic. The countenance, which during the first day or two is pale and languid, soon becomes flushed, and of a dusky hue; the expression dull; and the eyes watery and injected. The general aspect often resembles that of a person made stupid by drink. During the latter half of the fever, the face, as well as the skin generally, becomes paler, and the expression of countenance varies according to the character of the <sup>Nervous symptoms present.</sup> delirium ~~when present.~~ The 'critical discharges', which are apt to occur towards the subsidence of the fever, usually produce a more or less marked improvement in the general appearance of the patient. During the period of convalescence, he presents an emaciated, anaemic, and excitable aspect.

The eruption of typhus was described by Dr. Jenner in 1848, as presenting three different appearances according to its stage. First of all it consists of slightly elevated pinkish spots, disappearing on pressure. Secondly, the spots assume a reddish-brown colour, <sup>fading only</sup> ~~not disappearing~~ on pressure. Lastly, some spots may become livid or dark, petechial, and not disappearing on pressure. The eruption may not reach the third, or even the second stage at all; but it may be petechial from the beginning. It was petechial on admission, the 4<sup>th</sup> day, in Case II, <sup>which was</sup> of 10 or 11 days' duration. The spots composing the rash are generally very numerous, and most conspicuous on the most dependent parts of the body. Usually, they are not so well marked in children as in adults. Of the six cases of children (aged 10-15), whose records accompany this thesis, the eruption was not distinct in three, faint in one, and well marked in the two youngest. It was observed by Dr. Henderson and others, that the darker and more copious the eruption, the severer the case would be <sup>the fewer</sup> in a fatal case which came under my notice, (but which was not recorded). The spots were of a dark bluish tint the day before death. In that case there was

a serious pulmonary complication, and the lips were livid as <sup>they are</sup> occurs in most diseases of the lungs which prove fatal. Besides the above spots, a peculiar 'mottling of the skin' characterizes typhus.

It is generally supposed that the eruption is due to a hyperaemic condition of the cutaneous capillaries, and that the true petechiae result from rupture of these capillaries, with the extravasation.

Professor Laycock is of opinion that some constitutions have a peculiar tendency to a varicose state of the capillaries, in which <sup>constitutions the varicosity</sup> is usually well marked in the capillaries of the cheeks. Granting the above two statements to be correct, it would be natural to conclude, that the greater predisposition there was in a given individual to varicosity of <sup>the</sup> cutaneous capillaries, the more copious and marked the eruption would be in that case.

On reviewing my first seven cases I was led to suspect that the copiousness of the eruption was in proportion to the frequency of the pulse in the different cases; however a more extensive observation has convinced me that this is not the case. For instance, the eruption was copious and marked in Cases VI and VII: in the former the

pulse at one time was 154 per min., but in the latter never higher than 110. The eruption of typhus never appears in successive crops, but fresh spots may come out for a day or two after the first appearance of the eruption. Each spot remains visible till the whole rash vanishes. The mottling of the skin generally disappears early.

Statistics show that the eruption most commonly comes out on the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> day of the fever.

Dr. Murchison states, that he has rarely met with a case, where he could be certain that the eruption made its appearance later than the 6<sup>th</sup> day. It made its appearance later than the 6<sup>th</sup> day in two at least of the accompanying cases, viz. Cases VI and XV, of 18 and 22 days' duration respectively. The eruption is reported to have been observed as early as the 3<sup>rd</sup> day.

It was visible on admission, the 3<sup>rd</sup> day, in Case XVIII, which was of 12 days' duration. Dr. W. J. Gaidner thinks he has observed the eruption earlier in its appearance and disappearance of late years.

The following facts tend to show, that the time at which the eruption appears, is not such a matter of accident as is generally supposed. It is to be regretted, that, owing<sup>to</sup> the late period the majority of the cases came under observation, several of

\* Compare Cases VII and XV with VI and XII.

them only afford a negative kind of evidence, and others have to be omitted as of no value for this inquiry:—

In Case VII, duration 22 days, Eruption appeared on 8<sup>th</sup> day

----- XII, -----	22 days, -----	observed as early as 7 <sup>th</sup> day
----- VI, -----	19 days, -----	appeared on 6 <sup>th</sup> day
----- XV, -----	18 days, -----	appeared on 7 <sup>th</sup> day
----- X, -----	18 days, -----	observed as early as 7 <sup>th</sup> day
----- I, -----	15 days, -----	5 <sup>th</sup> day
----- XI, -----	15 days, -----	5 <sup>th</sup> day
----- XIV, -----	14 days, -----	4 <sup>th</sup> day
----- IV, -----	13-14 days, -----	4 <sup>th</sup> day
----- XVIII, -----	12 days, -----	3 <sup>rd</sup> day

The above show that the eruption appeared early in the cases which recovered early, but <sup>not</sup> till a late period in those cases in which the fever was prolonged. It is probable, however, that when the eruption is well developed, it will have a tendency to appear comparatively early, and remain persistent till a late period. The eruption generally made its appearance just before the temperature attained its maximum. It is interesting to notice the correspondence between the eruption and the temperature in

different fevers. Thus in scarlet fever the eruption appears on the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> day, and the temperature in that disease attains its maximum about the same period; whereas in measles and typhus the eruption appears and the temperature attains its maximum about the 5<sup>th</sup> day.

The skin is usually dry during the course of typhus; but a copious perspiration frequently occurs as a 'critical discharge' about the time the fever subsides. Dr. Parke has shown how these critical discharges are associated with a marked fall in the temperature. On reference to the accompanying cases, it will be seen, that sweating, at this period was not during the subsidence of the fever, was invariably followed by a rapid fall in the pulse and temperature. In case XIV, copious sweating occurred during the earlier part of the fever, when the temperature was rising. Sudamina occur but rarely in this disease. It has been observed that the skin very commonly exhales a peculiar odour. Buboes, consisting of inflammatory swellings of the areolar tissue in the neighbourhood of the salivary glands, sometimes form. Dr. Murchison regards typhus cases of typhus

Frequency of eruption not noticed -

/pneumatia

in which these buboes occur, as connecting links between this disease and the Oriental Plague, in which the occurrence of buboes is the general rule. Furunculus and Anthrax are common during convalescence. Swellings of the lower extremities, resembling phlegmasia dolens, have occasionally been observed by Swediaur and others who have had large experience in fevers.

Temperature. - An excessive heat of skin has long been recognized as one of the most unequivocal indications of a state of fever. Of late years the observations of Wunderlich and others on the continent, and of Drs. Parker and Kinges in this country, have shown the advantage of using the thermometer as a means of investigation in fevers. It has been shown that by making daily observations, characteristic ranges of temperature for different fevers, may be obtained. Thus convinced of the clinical value of the thermometer, I have made systematic observations of the temperature in the accompanying cases.

In typhus fever, the temperature rapidly rises during the first few days, so as to attain its maximum about the third of the fever; it then

begins to fall; and by the time the pulse has attained its maximum frequency, the temperature has fallen about a degree; after this period ~~till~~ convalescence it declines rapidly till convalescence, — ~~and~~ a sudden diminution occurring on certain days. After the subsidence of the fever the temperature is usually a degree or two below that of health ( $98^{\circ}4$ ); but subsequently it may rise a degree or two above the normal temperature.

In a summary of Wunderlich's conclusions, which appeared in *Med. Times* Sept. 28, 1861, it is stated, —

that "the amount of increase of temperature, is usually proportionate to that of the pulse increase of the pulse"; and that when this is not the case it is an exception to the general rule. To this

Dr. Aitken (p. 47, *Pract. Med.*) further adds, that

"an increase of temperature of one degree corresponds with an increase of ten beats of the pulse per minute." It will be seen on reference to

the accompanying cases of typhus, that the temperature almost invariably attained its maximum a number of days before the pulse attained its maximum frequency, and that about the middle of the fever there was usually a period, during which the temperature was

\* See Diagram of the ear representing the ranges in ty pms. placed  
after Case XIX: also Table and Diagram placed after  
Case XXIV

declining, but the pulse increasing in frequency. And again at the end of the fever a similar rule prevailed, — the pulse usually continuing to decline for several days after the temperature had reached its minimum. \* No opportunity was offered in these cases to ascertain the relation between the pulse and temperature at the outset of the fever; but from analogy we should expect to find that the temperature begins to rise before the pulse. My observations have not been <sup>so</sup> directed, so as to enable me to make any reliable statement, regarding the variations of temperature during each day.

The maximum temperature attained in the different cases, does not appear to have been proportionate to the duration of the fever, or the severity of any of the symptoms. Usually it was from  $104\frac{1}{2}$  to  $105^{\circ}$ . The highest <sup>temperature observed</sup> ~~attained~~ was in Case XVIII, of 12 days' duration, viz  $105^{\circ}4$ ; and the lowest maximum temperature occurred in Case VII, of 22 days' duration, viz  $103^{\circ}5$ .

The temperature attained its maximum soon after the appearance of the eruption. At this period also the <sup>greatest</sup> amount of urea and other solid constituents of the urine were excreted.

When the temperature reached its minimum,

7 d assistance -

The febrile symptoms had subsided, and at the same time there was usually a marked improvement in the feelings and appearance of the patient. Hence whenever terms having reference to <sup>the</sup> duration of the fever are employed in these pages, it is always assumed that the day on which the temperature reaches its minimum is the last day of the fever —

The application of cold to the surface of the skin, as by means of the 'wet sheet,' appears to have but a trivial and temporary effect on the range of temperature in fevers. (See the last table in the series)

### Circulatory System.

The pulse is generally accelerated from the beginning, and continues to ~~rise~~ increase in frequency, till about the middle of the fever; it then falls rapidly till the beginning of convalescence: at this period it is generally slower than in health. The pulse neither rises nor falls quite regularly. It is particularly liable to oscillate when at its greatest frequency. This is well marked

in Case X, in which on the 10<sup>th</sup> day, the pulse was 108 per min.; the next day the pulse fell to 60, while the other symptoms were persistent; by the 14<sup>th</sup> day <sup>the</sup> pulse had again risen to 112; after this it declined rapidly till convalescence. The pulse was frequently observed to be irregular when of greatest frequency. Irregularity was also observed at the beginning of convalescence in Cases XII and XVII.

A marked fall in the pulse, as well as in the temperature, follows the critical discharge which occur during the subsidence of the fever.

The maximum frequency to which the pulse attained in each case, does not appear to have been in proportion to the duration of the fever, or the severity of any of the symptoms in the case. On the contrary, the accompanying table

Case	XIV	XII	XIX	XV	XI	I	XVIII	XVI	X	XVII	VII	VI
Duration of fever.	14	22	15	18	15	15	12	14	18	12	22	19
Maximum pulse	94	110	119	116	124	130	128	116	112	147	116	154
Minimum pulse	48	48	49	57	58	60	64	66	72	72	80	84
Proportion between Max. & Min. pulse	1.96	2.29	2.43	2.03	2.14	2.16	2.	1.76	1.55	2.04	1.45	1.83
	2.17						1.84				1.64	
	1.87											

\* The application of the 'Wet-sheet' appears to produce a more marked and a more lasting influence on the pulse in fever, than the same means produces on the temperature. (See conclusions at the end of the last table in the series). Drs Fordyce and Blagden observed that the pulse was <sup>also</sup> more affected than the temperature by artificial heat. (Watson's Pract. Phys. Vol. I, p. 82)

The quantity of Stimulants ordered daily to each patient, is noted in the last column of each of the typhus cases. It is usually asserted that wine reduces the pulse in fever; but I see no evidence in favour of that assertion, in these cases.

Shows, that in the majority of cases the maximum number of pulse beats per minute attained during the fever, is nearly double the minimum which occurs after its subsidence. Therefore, if this minimum frequency bear a fixed relation in all cases to the normal frequency in health, we arrive at the highly probable conclusion, that the maximum frequency of pulse attained during the fever will be in proportion to the normal frequency of the pulse in health.

However, it is interesting to observe, that as the minimum increases, the relative proportion between the maximum and minimum decreases. For instance, when the minimum was 48, the maximum was a little more than double of 48; whereas when the minimum was 84, the maximum was much less than double of 84. It must be borne in mind, however, that the above data are imperfect; but they are the best furnished by these cases. x (See opposite page)

The pulse becomes weaker, softer, and of less volume, in proportion as it is accelerated: so that during the period when it is most frequent, it may be <sup>almost</sup> imperceptible. As the pulse falls, it becomes stronger and of better volume. It thus

gradually approaches its normal character towards the beginning of convalescence. A delicate sphygmograph might be used with great advantage to determine the gradual change in the character of the pulse during fever.

Dr. Stokes of Dublin first observed that the cardiac impulse was much impaired in fever, and the systolic sound much enfeebled, so as to become almost inaudible in severe cases. This was observed in Case XII, at the end of the fever, when the pulse was abnormally slow. The pulse, as Dr. Murchison remarks, is not always correspondingly weak or strong. In Case VI, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day, the pulse was almost imperceptible, but the cardiac sounds were audible and clear.

A degree of softening of the hearts, <sup>as the heart</sup> commonly been observed after death. The microscopical characters of the blood are peculiar in fever: the red blood corpuscles have but little tendency to form in rouleaux, and their colouring matter appears disintegrated. The blood is slow to coagulate, and presents an unusually fluid appearance.

## Respiratory System.

The respirations soon become accelerated, and attain their maximum frequency at variable periods in different cases; but usually they are most frequent about the middle of the fever. They gradually diminish in frequency as the fever declines, and become normal about the beginning of convalescence.

It is stated, that the expired air contains a diminished quantity of Carbonic acid, and an excessive amount of Ammonia (See Dr. Murchison's work on Continued fever; Res. Syst.)

The organs of respiration are generally more or less congested or inflamed: hence the frequency of cough and other pulmonary symptoms.

Severe pulmonary complications frequently prove fatal. Hypostatic congestion and oedema of the lungs are generally observed after death.

## Genito-Urinary System.

The quantity of urine, <sup>excreted</sup> is markedly diminished during the earlier part of the fever; but by the time the pulse has attained its maximum frequency, the ~~urine~~ <sup>excretion</sup> of urine has become abundant. As the fever subsides, the urine decreases; but it becomes more abundant again as ~~at the beginning~~ of convalescence advances. Thus on taking averages of the results obtained in <sup>six</sup> ~~my~~ of the accompanying cases, it was found:—that the daily quantity excreted during the period previous to the attainment of the maximum temperature was 41 fl. oz.; previous to the time when <sup>the</sup> pulse was at its maximum, 48 fl. oz.; subsequently till the end of the fever, 43 fl. oz.; during the first three days of convalescence, 39 fl. oz.; and during the following three days 45 fl. oz.

The urine is of high colour about the time the temperature is highest; afterwards it becomes paler; and <sup>it is of the preternaturally pale</sup> towards the end of the fever, and beginning of convalescence, it is <sup>of the preternaturally</sup> pale. At the beginning of the fever the urine is generally of an acid reaction; but as the fever advances, its reaction becomes alkaline,

and its odour pungent or foetid.

The specific gravity of the urine is considerably higher than <sup>that</sup> of urine the urine in health, when the temperature is at its maximum; subsequently until a period after the pulse has attained its maximum it decreases, then rises a little towards the end of the fever, but at the beginning of convalescence the density of the urine is less than in health. On taking averages of the results in the table placed after Case XXXIV, we obtain the following:— At the period of maximum temperature, the specific gravity of the urine was 1.028; at period of maximum frequency of pulse, 1.022; at a subsequent period 1.019; at period of minimum temperature, 1.020; and <sup>subsequently</sup> at the beginning of convalescence, 1.018. The changes in the specific gravity are better marked in several of the individual cases; but they are not quite so uniform as the above. The proportion of urea in the urine bears a close correspondence to its density.

The amount of solid constituents of <sup>the</sup> urine excreted per diem was estimated in the later cases. It was obtained thus.— The last two figures of the specific gravity of the urine, multiplied by 2.33, gave the quantity of solid constituents in a 1000 parts of urine.

Then the amount of solid constituents in the actual quantity of urine passed in the 24 hours, was calculated from the above. The results show, that the daily amount excreted was greatest when the temperature was highest. It then diminished as the fever advanced; so that the least quantity was excreted when the temperature had attained its minimum. It increased again at the beginning of convalescence.

The variations in the daily amount of urea excreted, <sup>during the fever,</sup> were determined in Case XIX: (Age 15, weight 81 lbs, fever of 15 days' duration).

On the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the fever, when the temperature had attained its maximum, the quantity of urea excreted in 24 hours was .902 oz.; on the 8<sup>th</sup> day, when pulse of maximum frequency, .803 oz.; at the end of the fever, .544-.577 oz. These are quite accordant with the results of Vogel. (See Neubauer & Vogel on Urine p. 385). He states, that in typhus "during the height of the disease the daily quantity of urea varied between 40 and 50 grammes. As the fever diminished it gradually fell to 20 grammes; and again gradually returned to the normal standard, as the patient recovered." Thus during the earlier part of the fever, when the temperature is highest, the

amount of urea excreted is greater than in health; but as the fever advances it decreases, so as to become less than normal during the latter part of the fever. Subsequently the urea again gradually increases, so as to become normal in quantity during convalescence.

Neubauer (op. cit. p. 25) states, that an increased excretion of uric acid occurs in all febrile states of the body; but its special variations in typhus are not ~~stated~~<sup>given</sup>. He also asserts that the hippuric acid is "increased in the acid urine of fever."

Frerichs and Städeler found leucine and tyrosine in the urine of patients suffering from typhus.

During the latter stages of the fever the urine appears to be rich in Carbonate of ammonia; which undoubtedly is <sup>great</sup> in part the result of decomposition of the urine subsequent to its excretion. However it is uncertain whether there is an excess of ammonia originally excreted.

The proportion of chlorine in the urine was approximately determined in all my cases, by observing the character of the precipitate thrown down by a solution of nitrate of silver, of uniform strength, - the urine having been previously rendered acid. In this manner the proportion of chlorine was found

to be scarcely diminished during the earlier part of the fever, when the temperature was at its highest point; subsequently it gradually diminished, so as to be generally much diminished about the middle of the fever. In Case XII no trace could be detected for two or three days at this period. Towards the latter end of the fever the quantity of chlorine rapidly increased, and was almost normal at the beginning of convalescence.

Vogel is of opinion that the cause of the great diminution of chlorine in all acute febrile diseases, depends chiefly upon the loss of the appetite, and the scanty nature of the patient's diet; but that in addition to this, there are occasionally abstractions of chlorine from the blood, as in serous diarrhoea, exudations &c. - In Case XVIII, a boy, whose appetite was but little impaired throughout, the chlorine was but little diminished at any period of the fever. However, Dr. Buchanan of the Lond. Fever Hospital found the chlorine the quantity of chlorine in the urine of typhus patients diminished, notwithstanding the administration of large quantities of salt by the mouth.

Vogel observed the quantity of Sulphuric acid much diminished in most acute febrile diseases; and he thinks

the diminution depended upon the low diet. The statements made as to the variations in the quantity of phosphoric acid in the fever urine are contradictory. The amount of lime and magnesia are very variable.

Usually a sediment is deposited from the urine of fever patients, after a few hours standing. During the earlier part of the fever, when the urine is acid, the sediments consist of amorphous urate. As the fever advances, and the urine becomes alkaline, triple phosphate and amorphous urate, or triple phosphate and phosphate of lime are usually deposited. Globular masses of urate of ammonia, presenting a brown appearance, and clusters of uric acid crystals are also frequently met with. These deposits generally continue to form during convalescence. Dr. Dyce Duckworth frequently observed a deposit of oxalate of lime in <sup>the</sup> urine of patients convalescent of fever, in the Clinical ward, during the winter 1864. A well marked 'oxalurion cloud' was observed in the urine of Case II at the beginning of convalescence. A great quantity of epithelium and mucus exsudes ~~one~~ is also usually observed in the urine of fever patients. The presence of albumen <sup>in the urine</sup> ~~occurred~~ was detected for several days during the period when the pulse was high.

and the specific gravity of the urine low, in Cases I, V, VI, and VII; and tube casts were observed during the same period in three of these cases. Albumen was present in the urine at the beginning of the fever only, in Case XVII. This case had contracted typhus while convalescent of typhoid fever. In another case who contracted typhus while convalescent of typhoid, attention was first drawn to the patient's condition, by observing that his feet were swollen, and that the urine was highly albuminous. He also ultimately recovered of the typhus.

The kidneys after death frequently exhibit evidence of congestive, or even inflammatory change. The vesical mucous membrane is sometimes found injected after death; and occasionally the bladder is incapable of expelling its contents.

\* Previous disease of the kidney often proves a fatal complication. Dr. Murchison states that in one-fourth of the fatal cases there is degeneration of the kidney.

## Digestive System.

The tongue, like other organs, appears to undergo changes according to the stage of the fever. During the earlier part it is large, moist, of a pale red colour anteriorly, and ~~at~~ the edges, and covered with white fur dorsally. As the fever advances the fur becomes thicker, and of a yellowish-tan or brownish colour. Ultimately, in the great proportion of cases, the organ becomes coated with a dark, thick, dry and fissured crust, - consisting of desiccated epithelial debris. The lips also become parched and the mouth dry. The tongue seldom becomes dry before the pulse has commenced to fall. During the last day or two of the fever, it clears up, and becomes moist. The tongue is often preternaturally clean at the beginning of convalescence; but as convalescence advances, it may become slightly furred. An appearance of the tongue which is said to characterize scarlatina occurred in Cases IV and XI, - both being boys. The organ was covered with white fur; but large red papillae were also to be seen. In mild cases the tongue may be protruded easily throughout, as in Cases II & TV. When the nervous symptoms are severe, the tongue becomes very tremulous, and the patient is incapable of protruding it.

\* Vomiting occurred in three of the four females<sup>cases</sup>; viz. in Cases II, VI, and VII. This symptom did not was not present in Case XVI (outlet 12), nor in any of the male cases.

Great thirst invariably occurs, and a great quantity of water is usually taken, — especially during the earlier part of the fever. An impaired appetite and perverted taste are frequently the first symptoms which appear; but in some cases the appetite may be retained for a day or two subsequent to the rigor. In most of the accompanying cases the patients began to take more food two or three days before the minimum temperature was attained: although the patients themselves often denied that the appetite was improving. The patients' appetite had been restored some days before he was able to distinguish between his medicine and his food wine.

In Case XVIII the appetite was scarcely impaired throughout the fever. Dr. Brinton is of opinion Dr. Brinton directs attention to the probability of the mucous membrane of the stomach being congested or inflamed, <sup>in fever</sup> and thus incapable of performing its function. X  
(Dr. Brinton on Diseases of the Stomach)

The action of the bowels, in typhus, is very irregular; Constipation may persist for several days, then diarrhoea may set in for a day or two, to be again followed by constipation or irregular action. In Case XIV, in which the fever was of a mild character, and of 14 days' duration, there was no action of the

bowels from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> day. Dr. Murchison, after calculating from extensive statistics, found that diarrhoea occurred in about 10 per cent. of cases. More or less diarrhoea occurred in 9 out of the 19 accompanying cases. It only occurred after the pulse had commenced to decline in 5 of these cases; but occurred both before and after this period in 4 cases. Hence it may be said that diarrhoea most commonly occurs when the fever is subsiding. The stools are sometimes of a yellowish-brown colour, at other times of a dark brown colour. Involuntary evacuation of the bowels was only observed in Cases V and X, - in both of which the nervous symptoms were of a severe character. Lesion of the alimentary canal has rarely been observed after death as a result of typhus. The liver and spleen become enlarged and congested in a considerable proportion of cases.

### Nervous System.

Usually the first distressing symptom to the patient is a frontal headache. This is accompanied, in most cases, by muscular pains in different parts of the body, and abdominal pain or tenderness or

pressure. The mental faculties are more or less impaired in the majority of cases. Of 90 cases investigated by Dr. Murchison, he found impairment of the mental faculties in 80 per cent., and actual delirium in 55 per cent.

During the earlier part of the fever, the intelligence is confused and blunted. The patient may at first manifest a degree of anxiety and attention; but as the disease advances, he becomes daily more indifferent with regard to himself and all around him, and wishes not to be disturbed. His memory soon becomes markedly impaired: he is unable to know the day of the week, or when some friend visited him last. There is restlessness and disturbed sleep at night, - the patient generally denying that he has slept ~~at~~ at all. Perhaps I can best illustrate this subject by describing my own feelings during an attack of typhus. -

On awaking one morning, after an unusually long sleep, I experienced a dull pain in the forehead, which made me so miserable that I was unable to enjoy anything. I felt cold and chilly, and had a feeling as of fatigue in the lumbar region, so that I soon got tired of sitting. Respiration was also tiresome. In the course of four days

\* Dr. Handfield Jones in his recent work on Nervous Disorders states, that "in all the different varieties of nocturnal exacerbations of disease, the ~~essential~~ morbid causes remain the same, but the nerve power is feebler and less capable of withstanding ~~it~~ them."

I felt very prostrated and strange, and saw things dimly on the street. I remember trying to read two books at that time, — the one being critical and philosophical in its style, the other <sup>descriptive</sup> ~~free~~ and simple. I found the former most mysterious, and was quite unable to understand it; but the latter I could comprehend. And again during convalescence, I was for a long time before I could read the former, though I afterwards far preferred it to the simple book. For the first two or three days I watched the symptoms with interest; but soon was unable to count my pulse, and became quite indifferent with regard to everything. After the fever was over I had very little recollection of what had passed, although I never was truly delirious except at nights.

At the more advanced stage of the disease, the headache, which more or less prevailed during the earlier part, disappears; and delirium may set in, especially at night. The delirium varies much in character in different individuals, from mere incoherent muttering to the acute and most noisy delirium. This latter is rare, in which the patient actuated by some strange delusion is apt to leave bed,

and occasionally to display a wonderful amount of agility and muscular power. It is not uncommon for the patient to imagine himself that he is two or more individuals. This kind of delirium was well marked in Case I. (See report March 27.)

In another Case, which occurred in ward TX of the Royal Infirmary this winter, the patient, having got out of bed and got hold of a knife, ~~was~~ chased to the night nurse down several flights of stairs, so that it was necessary to have the assistance of several men to secure him in his bed again. Several instances of interesting instances of delusions occurring in fever are given in Dr. Murchison's work on Continued fever.

This state of apparent excitement of the mental faculties is followed towards the latter end of the fever by stupor and drowsiness, and even by coma in ~~some severe~~ <sup>rare</sup> cases. A patient frequently expresses himself much better after a long sleep. Case IV appeared to sleep throughout the fever, there being no delirium. Coma vigil rarely occurs except in fatal cases. Convulsions are also a fatal complication. Dr. ~~is opinion~~ Murchison is of opinion that convulsions in typhus are generally dependent on uraemia arising from

or retention of urea in the blood:—there being organic disease of the kidney in most of the cases.

The muscular power is markedly diminished from the beginning, and the patient soon becomes unable to stand. Paralysis has been occasionally observed. Tremors and twitchings of the muscles are exceedingly common. The muscular tissue is generally found after death to have undergone partial fatty degeneration. This was well marked in a case of typhoid a fatal case of typhoid recently under the care of Professor Lagoch.

Common sensibility is markedly impaired. The sense of taste is perverted from an early period. Impairment of the sense of hearing frequently occurs, and unusual noises in the ears are heard. Deafness is generally regarded as a <sup>more</sup> favourable symptom than acute hearing. The sense of sight is also impaired; and optical illusions occur in some cases. The pupils were specially observed in my later cases. They were found to be markedly contracted in several of the cases, especially at the time when the delirium was at its height; but the pupils were not appreciably contracted at any period of the fever in Cases XI, XII, XVIII, and XIX, in which

x. The severity of the nervous symptoms in different cases does not appear to be in proportion to <sup>the severity</sup> any of the other symptoms present; nor is ~~the~~ the length of time during which delirium continues in proportion to <sup>the</sup> actual duration of the fever.

After death the membranes of the brain have been found congested in many cases; but they rarely indicate that there has been inflammation going on, so as to account in this way for the delirium.

There was any delirium. In Cases XIII and XVII, both of which had recently recovered from typhoid fever, the pupils were observed to be occasionally dilated. In certain severe cases the pupils become insensible to light. X

The nervous system is not perfectly restored for sometime after the fever. During convalescence the gait is usually unsteady, and tremulousness is readily induced, especially by smoking. The convalescent from fever is also liable to get confused and giddy in strange and spacious places, especially if he endeavour to observe the different objects around him. Dementia sometimes occurs as a sequela. The right ear supplicated during convalescence in Case X.

### General Remarks on and Sequence of Morbid Phenomena.

Having thus endeavoured to trace in detail the changes which the different physiological systems appear to undergo during the course of the fever, I shall now proceed to take a general view of the symptoms, and consider the order in which

the various phenomena appear. We have seen that the temperature rises, and that the pulse-beats and respirations increase in frequency, up to a certain point, when they subsequently decline until the fever has subsided. These numerical variations may be taken as the type of more obscure changes. Each symptom appears to increase in severity up to a certain period of the fever, and subsequently to subside gradually until convalescence is established. But the individual symptoms attain their greatest severity at different periods of the fever. However, the relative order in which these periods succeed one another appears to be almost invariable in different cases. So that we have thus landmarks during the course of the disease, the recognition of which will enable the physician to understand the stage at which the disease has arrived in a given case.

The following, appears to me to be  
 It appears to me, that the sequence of the morbid phenomena, as they appear during the fever, is as follows. — 1. The rigors. 2. Appearance of the eruption. 3. Temperature at its maximum; urine most scanty and of greatest density; and largest amount of urea excreted. 4. Respirations of maximum

frequency. 5. Pulse-beats of maximum frequency. 6. Delirium at its height <sup>(if present)</sup>; urine of least density; tongue most apt to become dry; and critical discharges most liable to occur. 7. Minimum temperature; Least amount of urea excreted; and all febrile symptoms subsided.

It has been already stated with regard to the eruption, (p. 9) that when it was very copious and marked, it ~~appeared~~ seemed to have a tendency to appear comparatively early, and remain persistent till a late period. It appears probable, that a similar rule holds true in the case of delirium and the condition of the tongue. When delirium comes on early <sup>as compared with other symptoms</sup> in the fever, it may be expected to become severe and long continued.

### Prognosis.

The average duration of typhus, as ascertained from extensive statistics, is said to be 14 or 15 days. However the duration of individual cases varies much from this standard. Thus in my own cases, (assuming the temperature day on which the temperature reached its minimum to be the last day of the fever), ~~was~~

All out of 18 cases after 14<sup>th</sup> day -

1	Case was convalescent on the 9 <sup>th</sup> day,
1	----- " ----- 10 <sup>th</sup> -----
2	----- " ----- 12 <sup>th</sup> -----
3	----- " ----- 14 <sup>th</sup> -----
4	----- " ----- 15 <sup>th</sup> -----
1	----- " ----- 16 <sup>th</sup> or 17 <sup>th</sup> -----
2	----- " ----- 18 <sup>th</sup> -----
1	----- " ----- 19 <sup>th</sup> -----
1	----- " ----- 20 <sup>th</sup> to 22 <sup>d</sup> -----
2	----- " ----- 22 <sup>d</sup> -----

The mean average duration in the 18 cases is  $\frac{14.6}{15.5}$  days. It is of great importance that the physician should be able to predict the probable duration of such a formidable disease as typhus, the duration of which is so variable. From the time of Galen until the present day, it has been a common belief in the medical profession, that fevers usually ~~terminate~~ terminate on ~~one~~ or some of the 'critical days' viz. 9<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 17 or 21<sup>st</sup> day; that, for instance, if a case of typhus is not convalescent on the 14<sup>th</sup> day, it will probably run on to the 17<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> day. It is further alleged that some marked changes in the course of the fever usually occur on the critical days. However, on reviewing my own cases with regard to this point, I have been

Dr. Ruiger is of opinion that the cycles are not necessarily of 5 days' duration in all cases; but that the cycles may be of different duration in different individuals.

unable to find any evidence in favour of this doctrine. Dr. Murchison states, that "his observations lend no support to the applicability to typhus of Galen's doctrine of critical days." Dr. Keizer, of University College, has lately propounded a new theory of periodicity in fevers. Having come to the conclusion, <sup>in the case of remittent fever</sup> that "in the large proportion of cases the temperature falls on the fifth, tenth, fifteenth, or twentieth day, that is, either on the fifth or a multiple of the fifth day of the disease"---; he afterwards adds: "We have seen that in fevers the temperature forms cycles, and as the variations in the temperature are due to <sup>the</sup> variations in the amount of tissue-change, it follows that we must have a cycle of tissue-change. Does such a cycle exist in health? I think it probable, and that this determines the cycle in fever, and not the disease itself." He then proceeds to prove his proposition from his very excellent observations, to which I beg to refer the reader. (Trans. Med. Chir. Soc. Lond. Vol. XLV p. 111.)

Not being satisfied that the above doctrine was quite applicable to the ranges of temperature in his own cases, I took an average of the first morning and last evening observation for each day, in four of ~~the~~ <sup>his</sup> uncomplicated cases, viz.

Cases 5, 6, 16, and 22., and arranged the results so that the proposition may be fairly tested.

(See <sup>last</sup> Table but one in series) It will be seen, that in Case 6, the temperature is lowest on the 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and the 15<sup>th</sup> days, <sup>the last of</sup> after which the patient was convalescent. So this case favours Dr. Ringer's doctrine. But the other three cases do not appear to lend any support to it. On reviewing his other cases, as numerous other cases as they stand, they do not appear to me to be more favourable.

I should never have had the presumption here to criticise the <sup>doctrines</sup> advanced in Dr. Ringer's ingenious paper, had they not been inconsistent with the conclusions to which I have ~~not~~ been led from the accompanying cases of typhus. I now beg to refer the reader to the table <sup>after Case XXIV,</sup> placed, and the subjacent diagram. There I have taken averages of the daily observations of the pulse beats, temperature, respirations, and the specific gravity of the urine, in 2 cases of 12 days'; 3 cases of 14 days'; 3 cases of 15 days'; 3 cases of 18 days' (amongst the latter is included Case VI, of 19 days' duration), and 2 cases of 22 days' duration. This table includes all the cases which were applicable for this inquiry. The results were not noted in the table on days when observ-

ations had been made in only one of the cases. The table shows that the pulse and temperature began to fall early in cases of short duration, but not till a late period in cases of long duration. The ranges of the respirations and specific gravity of the urine were not quite so uniform as those of the pulse and temperature.

### The pulse in cases —

of 12 days' duration	attained its maximum at	$\frac{3}{12}$ or 25 of fever.
14	"	$\frac{6}{14}$ or 43
15	"	$\frac{9}{15}$ or 60
18	"	$\frac{10}{18}$ or 56
22	"	$\frac{13}{22}$ or 60

On taking the mean average of the last column, we get 49. On an average, therefore, the pulse attains its maximum about <sup>one-</sup> half of the fever. However, in cases of 12 days' duration the pulse attained its maximum about ~~the~~ <sup>one-</sup> fourth of the fever  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the fever whole duration of the fever, i.e. before <sup>one-</sup> half the fever. Whereas in cases of 15-22 days' duration, not till  $\frac{3}{5}$  of the fever, i.e. later than one-half of the fever.

### The temperature in cases —

of 12 days' duration	attained its maximum at	$\frac{3}{12}$ or 25 of fever.
14	"	$\frac{5}{14}$ or 36
15	"	$\frac{6}{15}$ or 40
18	"	$\frac{6}{18}$ or 33
22	"	$\frac{9}{22}$ or 41

On taking the mean of the last column, we get .35. Consequently on an average, the temperature attains its maximum about  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the fever; but in cases of 12 days' duration the pulse <sup>temperature</sup> attained its maximum about  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the fever; and in cases of 15-22 days' duration, not until nearly  $\frac{1}{2}$  the fever.  $\frac{2}{5}$  of the whole duration of the fever. It has already been shown how the eruption appeared early in cases of short duration, but not till a comparatively late period in cases which were prolonged. (See p. 9)

It will be seen that the cases, in which the fever proved to be of long duration, did not come under observation until about a week had elapsed: so that the table is most incomplete in these cases. But this in itself is a strong evidence in favour of my proposition. In the cases, in which the fever was of short duration, the patients were early prostrated, and sought admission into the hospital at an early period in consequence; whereas, in cases of long duration, the patients had not become sufficiently ill to attract attention until several days had elapsed.

This law, (as I venture to call it), holds wonderfully true in the individual case; but there are two exceptions, which are included in the averages

in the table, viz Case xvii, in which the pulse and temperature continued to rise till a late period, although the fever proved of short duration; <sup>and</sup> Case vi, in which the temperature attained its maximum comparatively early, although the fever was prolonged till the 19<sup>th</sup> day. It is probable that the more completely and accurately the phenomena of fever are investigated, the more clearly the above law will be understood. But even as it is, I have found it <sup>practically</sup> useful. Thus in Case xviii, when the eruption was observed as early as the 3<sup>d</sup> day, and the pulse and temperature to commence to decline <sup>at the</sup> 4<sup>th</sup>, a fever of short duration was anticipated. In Case ix, it was clear that the patient had arrived at the most critical period of the fever, on the day he died, viz. just before the pulse had reached its maximum. It is of great importance that the physician should be able to come to a conclusion as to what stage of the fever a ~~certain~~ given case has arrived, as the patient himself is often unable to furnish any information. When the pulse is found to begin to decline, though the delirium be at its height, and the tongue dry, a speedy recovery may be expected, as occurred in Case viii on admission. Again, when the pulse and temperature are found to rise,

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The reports of cases of fever are expressed so briefly and significantly by means of the ranges of the pulse, temperature &c - that a physician in England, to whom the observations of a case on the continent are telegraphed daily, may be almost as capable to form an opinion with regard to the progress of the case, as the physician in immediate charge of it.

x. More than one-third of the cases were already under treatment in the Royal Infirmary when they contracted typhus - Three of these cases were under the treatment of Dr. Lazerus in a mixed ward - being cases of Hemiplegia, Skin disease, and Dysmenorrhoea respectively. The four remaining cases contracted typhus in the Fever Ward - two being convalescent from typhoid - one from scarlet fever, and one from pneumonia -

after a decided fall has once occurred, some change for the worse may be expected. In one case of this kind I was led to the discovery that the patient's bladder was distended. When the urine was drawn away, the symptoms at once improved, but otherwise the patient would have probably perished before morning. x

I would here remark also that when such symptoms, as delirium make their appearance comparatively early with the fever, they may be expected to prove severe and long continued.

Dr. Murchison states, that the mortality among the typhus patients in the London Fever Hospital, a great proportion of whom are of broken down constitution, amounts to 20 per cent. Of the 19 accompanying cases, only one proved fatal. (See opposite) One-fourth of them were already under treatment, when they contracted the fever: two were ~~convalescent~~ from typhoid, and one from scarlet fever, and one was a hemiplegic. Children usually sustain an attack more successfully than those who have reached old age. The stronger and healthier the constitution, the more favourable the prognosis. Those who have been exhausted by bodily or mental fatigue, deficient nourishment, <sup>disipation</sup> or chronic disease, stand

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+ According to Murchison *L. fluvius* also occurs in groups in  
conjunction of fossiliferous beds in a stratum -

a poor chance of recovery.

Death usually occurs by coma; but in some cases, the patient becomes asphyxiated from engorgement of the lungs, or dies from syncope -

### Diagnosis.

The disease with which typhus is most liable to be confounded is typhoid fever; therefore I shall confine the following remarks chiefly to the consideration of the distinctions between these two diseases.

1. Dr. W. T. Gairdner has lately shown (See Clinical Lectures) how cases of typhus have a tendency to occur in groups, from the contagious nature of the disease; whereas typhoid cases are isolated, and appear to have no connection with one another.

All the accompanying cases of typhus could be traced to other cases of the disease. The fever was either contracted in the Infirmary, or a history of proximity to other cases of fever out of doors could be ascertained. In one case only was there any obscurity as to the origin of the fever (See Case V.)

Typhoid fever is never known to spread in this manner. Hence we have here a marked difference in the mode of origin of the two fevers.

2. Their general character as regards duration, and the degree of prostration present is also different. It is rare for typhus to be prolonged beyond three weeks; whereas typhoid fever almost invariably exceeds this duration. In typhus the patient is rapidly prostrated, and the prostration continues until the fever has absolutely subsided. The typhoid patient, on the other hand, is not as a general rule so much prostrated. Case XXI (typhoid) was only kept in bed by force. He felt quite well, when the temperature and pulse indicated that the fever was at its height. In another case of typhoid fever which I have observed, but which is not appended, the patient not only left bed, but even felt sufficiently well to leave the Infirmary, when the temperature was several degrees above the normal standard. I have known one case of typhoid fever insist upon leaving bed before the intelligence was perfectly restored. The majority of the accompanying cases of typhus remained in bed for several days were unable to leave bed for several days after the temperature had become normal.

3. We have seen that in typhus, <sup>the countenance</sup> is dusky, and the expression stupid. The typhoid patient presents an emaciated countenance, with a circumscribed flush on either cheek, and a peculiar languid expression. In the latter also the pupils are generally dilated; thus contrasting with the more or less contracted state of the pupils which usually occurs in typhus.

4. The eruption of typhoid fever is more scanty, and less distinct than that of typhus; and it usually appears later. Several series of rose-coloured spots appear, but the individual spots only remain visible for two or three days. The spots are not persistent as they are in typhus.

5. Iliac tenderness, diarrhoea with yellow-ochre coloured stool, abdominal tympanity, and occasionally intestinal hæmorrhage, are symptoms which characterize typhoid fever. With the exception of diarrhoea, these symptoms are exceedingly rare in typhus.

After death from typhoid fever, the glands of Peyer, and the mesenteric glands, are found to have undergone pathological changes which are peculiar to this disease; and so all doubts in the diagnosis during life are finally settled by the post mortem examination. To Dr. W. Jenner belongs the merit

of establishing the essential difference between these diseases.

However, notwithstanding all the features of distinction above enumerated, the diagnosis between typhus and typhoid fever, during life, is often attended with difficulty; and when the eruption is absent, the highest authorities assert that the diagnosis is uncertain. +

It is highly desirable, therefore, that the physician should have some additional means which may aid him to distinguish between these fevers. We have seen, that the ranges of the pulse, temperature, respirations, and of the specific gravity of the urine, have a definite character in typhus fever. It would appear from the two cases of typhoid fever appended, <sup>(xxv & xxi)</sup> that the ranges have a different character in that disease. The temperature, for instance, instead of rising ~~uniformly~~ uniformly to a certain point, and then declining, presents, in the two cases of typhoid, changes which are peculiar to these cases. Remarkable oscillations in the range of temperature, as well as in those of the pulse and respirations, occur, which are not apparent in the typhus cases. This peculiar character of the ranges in typhoid, as distinguished from the ranges in typhus, indicates in a very marked manner, that there is an essential

X See Summary of Wunderlich's conclusion and others referred to at p. 12. Previous observers have also ignored the influence which <sup>the</sup> duration of the fever has on the  $\Sigma$  curves in typhus - a fact which has been pointed out to which influence it has been one of the chief ~~of this~~ ~~to demonstrate~~ ~~of demonstration~~ in this Thesis. (Z. 2.)

Why are not Wunderlich's researches regarded as, who first pointed out to these changes of temperature as symptoms of diagnosis? - In what do the Author's views differ from his?

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difference between the symptoms of the two diseases. Hitherto attention appears to have been chiefly confined to the range of the temperature; but the two accompanying cases show that the ranges of the pulse and respirations are equally characteristic. There is more or less correspondence between the different ranges. I would here beg to direct attention to the analogy between the oscillating character of the ranges and the alternative appearance and disappearance of the spots of the eruption in typhoid fever. And it is interesting to observe that the class of poisons, whose effects most resemble the symptoms of typhoid fever, viz. the Solanaceae—Belladonna, Hyoscyamus, and Stramonium, produce nervous symptoms of a remittent character, — Coma and delirium alternating.

It is seldom difficult to distinguish between typhus and Scarlet fever or Measles. However the appended Cases show that the ranges have a peculiar character in these diseases also. In scarlet fever, the pulse and temperature <sup>generally</sup> decline after the 2<sup>d</sup> or 3<sup>d</sup> day. (See Cases XXII & XXIII.) But the specific gravity of the urine persists high till a late period; ultimately it falls, as in typhus; and at this period albumen was detected in the urine of one of the cases. (Case XXIV.) In the case of Measles, the ranges

~~the~~ did not appear do not appear to have commenced to fall till the 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> day.

Typhus is frequently simulated by latent pneumonia of the apex of the lung, uraemia, meningitis, relapsing fever &c. but having nothing new to suggest, I beg to leave the subject to more experienced hands.

### Pathology

In the following remarks on the pathology of typhus fever, I shall endeavour to explain some of the complex phenomena already considered, by the aid of the modification of Nichol's theory of fever, advanced by Dr. Parkes in his Goulstonian Lectures before the Royal College of Physicians, London, in 1855. Of which Dr. Jenner remarks in a masterly review of it, (Brit & For. Med. Chi. Rev. Vol. xvii, p. 390) that "a more consistent theory of fever, one so largely supported by facts, has not hitherto been placed before the profession."

Nichol defines fever as "consisting essentially in

elevation of temperature, which must arise from an increased consumption of tissue, and appears to have its immediate cause in alteration of the nervous system." But Dr. Parker remarks,—"First of all, we must place the entrance into the blood of the malarial agent, and the alteration of the blood, to a certain extent, under its influence. Perhaps this occurs ~~under~~ <sup>during</sup> the incubative period, when often there is no rise of temperature, no fever, that is, no appreciable alteration of the general health can be discovered. The nature of the change in the blood is unknown."

In the case of typhus, it is a well established fact that febrile symptoms are not usually manifested, until a period of about nine days has elapsed. And the fact that a single case of fever may communicate the disease to several others, ~~and~~ that the fever may thus spread through a whole community from a single centre, evidently shows that the fever inducing agent is multiplied in its course through the system. Hence it is natural to infer, that one of the changes which occur in the blood during the incubative period, is an increased development of the fever poison. That the blood <sup>itself</sup> ~~as a whole~~ undergoes change during this period, as Dr. Parker and Jenner appear to think, has not yet been de-

\* See Dr. Ringer's Observations on Ague. *Trans. Med. Chir. Soc. Lond.* Vol. XLII. pp. 369 & 371.

monstrated. It is only known that after the fever has been established, the blood has then undergone alteration both in microscopical character and chemical composition.

The first marked symptoms of fever which appear, such as — rigors, headache, and neuralgic pains, prostration and blunted intellect, point to disturbance in the nervous system. Although it has been demonstrated that an elevation of temperature, and increased elimination of urea, precede the cold stage in ague, still even these phenomena may be traced back to change in that part of the nervous system presiding over nutrition.

"Simultaneously" (with these nervous symptoms) Dr. Parker continues, "various parts, especially the muscles, and probably some of the organs, deprived in greater or less degree of nervous influence, begin to disintegrate, and by their disintegration produce preternatural heat. This metamorphosis is aided in most cases, by the condition of the vagus and vasa motor nerves which cause increased action of the heart and dilatation of the vessels."

We have seen, that in typhus a greater amount of urea and other constituents of the urine (including coloring matter)

See pp. 19, 20, 21.

is excreted during the earlier part than at any other period of the fever. \* Dr. Ruifer clearly shows,

that during a corresponding period in scarlet fever the amount of urea excreted was not greater, but even less than the amount excreted by the same cases during convalescence. (Trans. Med. Chir. Soc. Lond. Vol. XLV, p. 111.). But we must take into consideration that scarcely any food is taken during the fever. We will suppose that in a fever case 40 fl. oz. of beef-tea, 20 fl. oz. of milk, and 2 oz. of bread are taken per diem. This quantity, (which is certainly larger than what is usually taken by the fever patient), will yield according to Professor Christison's tables, only 3.8 oz of solid nutriment, a quantity barely equivalent to a quarter of a pound of beef-steak, according to the same author.

The observations of D. v. Fraunhofer (See Neubauer & Vogel on Urine, p. 381) show that the <sup>daily</sup> quantity of urea excreted by him in health while living on purely animal diet was ----- 51-92 grammes

Mixed ----- " ----- 36-38 "

Vegetable ----- " ----- 24-28 "

Nonnutritious ----- " ----- 16 "

On reference to page 385 of the same work, we find

that in a case of typhus at the height of the disease, the daily quantity of urea varied between 45 and 55 grammes. That is, rather more than what is excreted by a healthy person while living on mixed diet, notwithstanding that the fever patient is on the low diet already considered. ~~And~~ <sup>Therefore,</sup> although the amount of urea excreted during fever be less than what is excreted by the same patient during convalescence, - what an extraordinary quantity of food is usually taken, still if it exceed that excreted by a convalescent on an equally low diet with the fever patient, there will be an excessive urea-excretion during the fever; which under the circumstances must arise from excessive waste of the nitrogenous tissues. Not only does the urinary excretion show evidence of excessive waste of the nitrogenous tissues, but these tissues themselves are found after death to have undergone a fatty degeneration.

At a more advanced stage of the fever the amount of solid constituents of the urine become markedly diminished. Undoubtedly this is in part due to the metamorphosis of tissue becoming gradually less active; but it is also probable that the excreting power of the kidney becomes impaired

Turn over.

\* The condition of the blood after death is what might have been almost anticipated from the symptoms: it has been found to present an unusually fluid appearance, to be deficient in fibrin, and to have but little tendency to coagulate. Dr. Christies ~~is~~ detected urea in the blood, even when the kidneys were healthy. The composition of the blood probably varies considerably during in the different stages of the fever.

at a certain stage of the fever. For, subsequent to the period at which the pulse reaches its maximum,

the specific gravity of the urine becomes much diminished, and the presence of albumen <sup>in the urine</sup> was observed at the same period in several of the cases. Precisely the same conditions were observed in the scarlet fever case at a comparatively late period. (See Cases xxii & xxiii)

It is said that the excretion of carbonic acid by the lungs is diminished in fever. During the earlier part, when the respirations are accelerated, the strength of the patient but little impaired, and the lungs not congested, it is scarcely possible to imagine that less carbonic acid is excreted:

but at a more advanced period of the disease, the functions of the lungs, like that of all other organs, become much impaired. The skin is known to be dry throughout, except when critical <sup>sweats</sup> discharge occurs. But the quantity of water excreted by the kidneys is also scanty during the earlier part of the fever, notwithstanding that the solid constituents are excreted in increased quantities. From analogy, therefore, we should expect, <sup>to find</sup> that the excretion of the skin is similarly affected.

The variations in the range of temperature bears

a close correspondence to the variations in the degree of waste of tissues, as indicated by the excretion. But the average temperature during the latter half of the fever is less. But the average quantity of solid constituents excreted by the kidney during the latter half of the fever is less than the amount excreted in health; still the average temperature during the same period is above the standard of health. We have also already seen that Dr. Ruiza found his scarlatina cases excreting more urea during the convalescence than at any period of the fever. Dr. Parks concludes that when there is diminished elimination and an elevated temperature, there must be retention of the products of metamorphosis in the blood. (p. cit.) He shows that the system rid itself of the retained products by critical discharges; and that when critical discharges do not occur, inflammatory complications are liable to set in. But it seems to me that if the whole excretions during the fever were collected, we should find them less in amount than the excretions in health during a similar period. We have already seen that Dr. Ruiza found his scarlet fever cases excreting more urea during convalescence than at any period of the fever. (p. 51)

\* The weights of the patients were ascertained in the later cases: first, when the patients came under observation; next, when the temperature reached its minimum; and subsequently during convalescence. The weight lost during the fever varied in different cases, from  $\frac{1}{16}$ th to  $\frac{1}{4}$ th of the weight on admission. Usually the patients did not begin to increase in weight for the first two or three days of convalescence. In two cases, the amount lost during the fever had been regained in a fortnight after the subsidence of the fever; in ~~one~~ <sup>another</sup> case, only  $\frac{1}{3}$ <sup>d</sup> of the weight lost during the fever had been regained in the same period.  
(See last columns in Cases XIV-XIX)

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Why, then, should the temperature in fever be above that in health? The excretions in fever must be derived almost exclusively from waste of unrepaid tissues; and it is probable that <sup>the</sup> tissues as a whole undergo retrograde metamorphosis; which is indicated in part only by the excretions; for we find that the tissues have undergone degeneration in structure. This is the only explanation I can offer of the above apparent anomaly. x

Vischow and Packer consider that the symptoms of fever arise from withdrawal of nervous influence from the tissues. A. Bernard found that division of the sympathetic in the neck, caused on the same side, hyperaemia, contracted pupil, and an elevation of temperature to as much as  $11^{\circ}$ . Weber again observed that if the end of the divided sympathetic was galvanized, all the above effects disappeared, and were replaced by the converse. It was further observed that division of the vagus was followed by increased rapidity of the heart's action; and the transmission of an electric current through the cut nerve by diminished rapidity of the heart's action. Accordingly we should expect to find that palsy of the above nerves, however induced, would

be followed by dilatation of vessels, increased rapidity of the heart's action, elevation of temperature, and contracted pupils. <sup>Moreover,</sup> Further, dilatation of the vessels would be necessarily accompanied by an influx of fluid into their cavities. Dilatation of the vessels without an increase in the volume of the contained fluid would be a physical impossibility; and vice versa.

The fact that the above symptoms occur in fever, makes it highly probable that fever is caused in a similar way. The symptoms of fever viewed in this manner appear quite intelligible. The tissues, deprived of their usual nervous influence, lose their power of repair, fall a prey to the physical laws, and disintegrate, with ~~increased~~ <sup>increased</sup> production of heat and excretion. We have also the general hyperaemia and accelerated pulse, anorexia, thirst, and scantiness of water in the excretions, arising from a degree of the paralysis of the vagus and sympathetic.

A great quantity of water is drunk during the earlier part of the fever; but there is less excreted than at any period of the disease. Consequently the water must be retained in the system at this period. Dr. Packer is of opinion that the retention of water in fever is caused by the presence in the blood of some

\* In three cases of Diabetes Mellitus, which I reported while Clinical Clerk under Prof Bennett, during the summer of 1884, the quantity of water drunk and urine excreted by the patients, varied according to the amount of sugar excreted by the kidneys. Thus in one of the cases, <sup>when</sup> while on ordinary diet, and 22.7 oz of sugar were excreted daily, the ~~quantity of water drunk~~ actual quantity of water taken, daily was 473 fl. oz. and the daily quantity of urine passed was 462 fl. oz. When the patient was put on animal diet, and only 7.4 oz of sugar were daily excreted, the daily amount of water <sup>taken</sup> ~~drank~~ fell to 107 fl. oz., and the amount of urine passed fell to ~~124~~ 125 fl. oz. When the patient was again put on ordinary diet, and the sugar increased to the same amount as it was originally, the water taken and excreted increased in a corresponding degree.

(See Prof. Bennett's Work on Clinical Medicine, fourth edition, pp. 915, 916, 917.)

products of metamorphosis having a powerful attraction for water. If this hypothesis be correct, then the dilatation of the vessels must <sup>be</sup> a consequence of an increased influx of water into the vascular system, and not a direct effect of the paralysis of the sympathetic: which is contrary to Dr. Parker's own theory of fever - <sup>(See p. 50)</sup> X

In typhus, not only the nervous centres regulating nutrition, but the nervous system as a whole is affected. Thus, common sensibility and the special senses are markedly impaired. The power of motion also is enfeebled; and the intelligence is more or less affected in the majority of cases. It is usually stated that the mental faculties are first of all excited, and afterwards depressed: active delirium is followed by stupor or coma. An analogy is thus drawn between the nervous symptoms observed in fever, and the effects of the narcotics, as alcohol and opium; in which also a period of excitement is said to be followed by one of depression. Does the so called excitement arise from increased nervous force? Is it not more probable that the excitement of a person under the influence of alcohol arises from suppression of the higher faculties of the mind, so that the inferior faculties are <sup>then</sup> left

It is a symptom of exhaustion —

uncontrolled, than from really increased nervous force? An intoxicated person will perform a feat, which he would <sup>have</sup> not attempted while sober, not because he is more capable, but because he is more blind to the difficulties & consequences involved.

In the same manner, the imagination is often prettily naturally active just before sleep comes on, and brilliant ideas pass through the mind in rapid succession; next follow dreams; and lastly sound sleep. When all the faculties have been restored next morning, and the mind well balanced, the ideas, which appeared so brilliant the previous night, are rejected <sup>as</sup> mere chimeras. Might we not to explain the wild delusions and apparent excitement, which occur in fever and as effects of the narcotics, in a similar manner?

It appears inconsistent to suppose that the intellectual faculties alone should be excited, while all other functions of the nervous system are paralysed.

We have seen that the height to which the pulse rises in different cases appears to be proportionate to the frequency of the pulse in health. <sup>(p. 117)</sup> If this be true, then it will appear probable, that the severity of the symptoms presented by any one of the physiological systems during the fever

The account of Jethro's given has little to do with the <sup>celebrated</sup> ~~not~~ pa-  
rticulars of his story - which in fact owes its origin to Brown and

depends upon the state of that system in health. For instance the character of the delirium, for instance, will depend upon the mental constitution of the patient; and so with regard to any of the other symptoms.

It has been already shown that the character <sup>(see pp. 94-99)</sup> earlier the eruption made its appearance, and the earlier the pulse, temperature &c., reached their maxima, the shorter was the duration of the fever. Consequently the length of time any case continues, is not a matter of accident, but appears to be predetermined from the beginning of the fever - at least as early as the appearance of the eruption. It will be seen on reference to table placed after Case XXIV, that the angle at which the pulse-range must have originally risen in the different cases, diminished in proportion to the duration of the fever. It has been repeatedly shown that the severity of the symptoms bear no relation to the duration of the fever. Consequently we must suppose that the fever takes a variable length of time to attain the same severity in different cases: in the same manner as one class of intellect can exhaust its energies on a certain subject in half the time required by another class of intellect, of equal capacity, on the same subject.

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Appendix  
Reports of cases &c.

Reports of Five Cases of Typhus Fever.

Case I.

Typhus occurring in a young man, convalescent on the 15<sup>th</sup> day. Marked delirium.

Donald F., aet. 26, a joiner, resident at 18 Bristo Street. Admitted to Royal Infirmary under care of D<sup>r</sup> Laycock, 11<sup>th</sup> March, 1864.

Antecedent History.

He states he has enjoyed good health through his life, and is not aware that he has ever contracted fever.

A fortnight previous to admission this time, he was dismissed from Ward IX, which is a fever ward: his complaint then being pneumonia. After having been under treatment for about nine days, he left from extreme dread of the fever. The patient occupying the next bed to his, was a convalescent from fever, and also the boy who brought him his food.

During the interval he has been out of the Infirmary, his health has not been good. His face was pale, he saw things dimly, felt stupid, and was indisposed to take up his work again.

On Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> March, he first felt really ill. He was pretty well during the day; but that night

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on going to bed, he experienced a chilliness and shivering; and had a dull, stupifying, frontal headache.

He slept well that night, and took little breakfast next morning; but was unable to go to his work.

From that day till admission he has had no appetite, and has felt himself daily getting worse.

He has had no pain in the loins, but a little in the back, especially between the shoulders.

A well marked eruption was observed on the day of admission. That night, the patient at one time felt particularly well, and confident in his strength, shortly afterwards he became very dejected, and imagined he was about to die. He slept well that night; and this delusion left him during the following day.

Present Condition — March 12<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> day of fever.

Integumentary System. The patient has dark hair, hazel-coloured eyes, and appears to be of robust constitution. The cheeks are uniformly flushed, and the conjunctivae are injected. He has an anxious and heavy expression. The trunk is covered with numerous spots of a dirty pink colour, slightly elevated, and disappearing on pressure. Some spots are visible on the upper extremities, and a

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few on the thighs. The skin generally is dusky, and dry: the palms being moist.

Temperature at 10 pm.  $105^{\circ}$ .

Circulatory System. - Pulse 112, soft, rather weak, regular. No cardiac murmur audible, and the apex beat normal.

Digestive System. - Tongue concavely protruded, and tremulous, dorsally covered with a whitish fur, but the extreme edges and tip are reddish: the organ is moist. The appetite has been none since the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the fever, and <sup>he</sup> has been very thirsty. He does not remember that the bowels have been opened since the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the fever. There is scarcely any abdominal tenderness on pressure.

Respiratory System. - Breathing a little hurried, otherwise normal.

Genito-Urinary System. - Urine of a dark amber colour, with a copious yellowish deposit. Sp. gr. 1.035, acid: chlorides ~~a~~ little scarcely diminished, no albumen: deposit consists

All isolated note omitted in copy note book omitted - "Fair weather -  
March 15<sup>th</sup> P. 132. rather local. Temp coolish slightly - 98°  
A great proportion of spots of eruption petechial. Temp 106°  
(as Thore 1½° too high - possibly 1½° angle to be subtracted from 106°)  
Wandering and talkative. I like deg."

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of amorphous urates.

Nervous System. - Intelligence is fair, but he is readily confused. Is rather anxious about himself, feels weak, and sleeps badly.

Ordered 11<sup>th</sup> March.

S. + B; 4<sup>th</sup> hour. { Mist Cough. + 3 v  
Liq. Annon. aed. ʒij M.

Sweet Milk, and beef-tea diet. No wine.

7<sup>th</sup> day.

March 13<sup>th</sup> - Pulse 112, feble. Whitish fur on tongue. Had scanty stool last night. Urine turbid with copious deposit of urates, few crystals of triple phosphates, slight albumen(?) Chlorides diminished, acid reaction, sp. gr. 1031. Has a little cough, 30 respirations per minute. Skin dry, the palms being moist: Several spots of the erupt ion are petechial: temp. (morning)  $104\frac{1}{2}$ . The patient looks more stupid and abstracted to day.

9<sup>th</sup> day.

March 15<sup>th</sup> - vesp. - Patient was wandering night of 13<sup>th</sup>, better during the following day; wandering night of 14<sup>th</sup>, and has been in a state of low

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Muttering delirium ever since. Pulse 130, febrile.  
Will scarcely put the tongue out. Skin dry.  
Temp.  $104^{\circ}$ . Eruption not so conspicuous, except  
the spots which are petechial.

Ordered at visit.

To be added to water { Acid Phosphoric  $\overline{73}$  }  
as common drink. { Aquae ad  $\overline{73}$  xvi }  
{ Vin  $\overline{73}$  xvi per diem. }

10<sup>th</sup> day.

March 16<sup>th</sup> - Muttering last night and today. Pulse  
124, weak. Urine neutral, Sp. 1.018, copious  
deposit of amorphous urate, and triple phosphate.  
Chlorides much diminished. Albumen detected.  
Skin dry Temp (mam)  $103\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ .

Resp. Pulse 124. Temp  $103\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . During the  
afternoon the patient endeavored to get out through  
the window: and wishes to get out of bed very often.  
The urine of this date found to contain a large  
excess of urea. The scalp has been shaved  
and evaporating lotions applied. Vin  $\overline{73}$  xx.

11<sup>th</sup> day.

March 17<sup>th</sup> (noon). - Pulse 120. Tongue moist, very little  
protruded: lips covered with black scabs. Bowels

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not moved. Skin dry, dusky, and covered with many petechial spots on the trunk - scarcely any on the extremities: temp.  $102\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Is muttering all day, complains of no illness, and strongly objects to the <sup>cold</sup> evaporating lotion to the head.

Vesp. P. 120. Temp.  $102\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Much sordes on lips.

### 12<sup>th</sup> day.

March 18<sup>th</sup> (noon) Pulse 116, soft. Temp.  $101\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . There are very frequent startings in the limbs today.

Nurse states that he slept a little last night, and that he is more quiet today. Bowels moved this morn.

Vesp. Pulse 98. Temp.  $101^{\circ}$ . The patient is sleepy, and little deaf, but is more attentive when spoken to. Urine, alkaline. Sp. gr. 1.022. Traces of chlorides - copious deposit of triple phosphate and phosphate of lime (the latter in form of spherules & dumb-bells.)

### 13<sup>th</sup> day.

March 19<sup>th</sup> (noon) Pulse 88 soft. Tongue dry, and covered with black sordes. Urine, alkaline, Sp. gr. 1.024. Traces of albumen. copious deposit of triple phosphate, and phosphate of lime, also tube casts observed. Eruption has faded considerably. Temp.  $98^{\circ}$ . Was restless all last night.

Caset

Vesp. Pulse 100 qz. Temp. 100°. Tongue dryish, covered with brown sordes. Patient directed attention to a tenderness and redness over the sacrum, also tenderness at occipital protuberance. Vin 3 x viij.

14<sup>th</sup> day.

March 20<sup>th</sup> (afternoon). Pulse 84. Tongue moist, still covered with yellowish brown sordes: black sordes on lips. Appetite is improving to day.

Had motion of bowels this morning. Skin dry: temp. 99°. Slept well last night, but occasionally muttering - Vin 3 x vi.

day of convalescence

15<sup>th</sup> day.

March 21<sup>st</sup> - Pulse 76. Tongue moist, covered with brown sordes. Appetite good. Skin dry, temp. (v. a.) 96½°. Urine cloudy with copious little yellowish deposit.

alkaline, sp. gr. 1.024. No albumen. Chlorides but little diminished: deposit consisting of triple phosphate and phospholine. Did not sleep well last night. Is very sleepy this morning.

Vesp. Pulse 76. Temp. 97½°. Little more attentive.

Still flushed and sleepy. Suspects he is given some narcotic medicine. Much less urea in urine of this date than that of 16<sup>th</sup> inst. - Vin 7 3 x v.

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16<sup>th</sup> day.

March 22<sup>nd</sup> Pulse 80. Tongue almost clean. Urine alkaline. Sp. p. 1.026. No albumen. Chlorides slightly diminished. Deposit of phosphate. Still Sleepy.  $\text{Urin } 3 \times$ .

17<sup>th</sup> day.

March 23<sup>rd</sup> Pulse 78. Of good strength. Upright. Bowels moved this morning. Last night had rigors & clammy perspiration; and complained of neuralgic pains in different parts of the body. Still occasional starting in the limbs. Minute ~~white~~ particles of brick red colour observed in deposit of urine under microscope. Ordered.

1. 3i 4<sup>th</sup> horis. { Ferri Iod. Cit. ʒij  
Mist. Camph. ʒiij M. f. sol.  
Urin 3x.

March 24<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 1/2. Patient was delirious last night, and wished to get out of bed. Memory is not good. Cannot distinguish between the different things he takes. Trace of albumen in urine. Deposit of triple phosphate and of phosphate of lime. Appetite continues good.  $\text{Urin } 3 \times$ .

March 27<sup>th</sup> Pulse 60. Tongue clean. Appetite good. Bowels confined. Urine Sp. p. 1.017. Alkaline. Chlorides normal: a little deposit of large prismatic crystals of triple phosphate. The patient is still a little deaf.

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but there is manifest improvement in him for the last 2 days. Is getting ~~more~~ more cheerful - and has given an account of his delusion during the fever. He may mind he was two individuals several times: ~~or~~ Once thought he was all dead, with the ~~et~~ exception of part of his chest. Was always persecuted: and on coming out of the fever, he felt as if he had awoke from a long sleep. +

Ordered Meat Diet to Aug.

March 28<sup>th</sup> urine, acid. Sp. gr. 1.016. no deposit.

March 30<sup>th</sup> urine has little deposit of crystalline and dumb-belled phosphate of lime. acid. Sp. gr. 1.017.

April 9<sup>th</sup> Patient dismissed in good health and strength.

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x One day, when the delirium was its height, the patient was discovered by the nurse at the window, - endeavouring to get out. It seems that he was then labouring under the delusion that he had got into some great establishment, which was too expensive for him.

## Case II.

A mild form of Typhus occurring in a married female.  
Convalescent on the 10<sup>th</sup> day.

Anne C.... Oct. 20. married, a native of Ireland.  
resident at Hall Court, Blackfriars Wynd.

### Antecedent History.

The patient states that with the exception of having suffered from Measles, Smallpox, and Whooping Cough, during Childhood, and rheumatic pains at various times, she has enjoyed good health through her life.

On Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup> she was seized with shivering, but she could not say that she felt unwell that day. The next day she had no appetite for dinner, felt cold and chilly during the afternoon, and towards evening she suffered from a dull pain in the forehead. She was hot, sweating, and sleepless that night, and had to retire to bed earlier than usual. After this she daily got worse, and spent sleepless nights. The bowels were regular. On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> she vomited some yellow stuff.

It appears that some friends of hers or her friends have been lying ill of fever in the next room

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to her, and that she frequently went in there to assist them.

The patient was admitted into the Royal Infirmary under the care of Dr. Laycock March 18<sup>th</sup>, being the 4<sup>th</sup> day of her illness. She was in a prostrated state, and an eruption was observed on the skin.

She has had two children, the youngest being now only 18 months old, and suckling.

### Present Condition. March 19. 5<sup>th</sup> day.

Integ. Syst. The patient is in bed, decubitus dorsae; but manifests considerable energy in settling herself comfortably. Face pale, complexion fair, eyes grayish blue, hair dark. She appears to be thin, and of delicate constitution. The expression is a little abstracted. On the sternal and hypochondriac regions, there are scattered here and there isolated petichiae well defined, but not elevated above the skin, of a dusky brown or purplish color; which do not disappear on pressure. Few of these petichiae also visible on the arms, none on the legs. The skin is dry. Temperature (Vesp.)  $102\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ .

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Card. Syst. Pulse 96, fair volume, rather soft. Regular.  
Cardiac sounds normal, also area of cardiac dulness.

Resp. Syst. Respiration quick and short. 52 per min.  
Has a little cough.

Digit. Syst. Tongue protruded conspicuously, moist,  
dorsally covered with a whitish fur, edges and  
tip red. Says she is very thirsty, and has no  
appetite. Vomited this morning. Bowels  
not moved since admission. No abdominal  
tenderness or pressure.

Genito urinary Syst. She has been nursing her  
youngest child during that period for the last  
11 months, and has not menstruated during  
that period. Urine of high colour, pungent odour,  
with a mucous cloud. acid reaction. Sp. gr. 1.0235.  
Chlorides diminished, no albumen detected.

Neu. Syst. Slept fairly last night. Complaints of frontal  
head ache, but there is no lumbar pain. Slight  
pain in Sternocleidomastoid muscles. Feels very weak.  
Appears to be of a nervous temperament.

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Ordered on the 19<sup>th</sup> inst.

S. + 3i prodoi. } Anusmon. Carb. Fr  
 } Mist Camph. F 3vi ~~the first time~~

S. + 3p rocy } Acidi Citrici + 3iv  
 three hours with the other. } — Hydroy anici del xxij. Ph. ff Med.  
 Beef-tea & Milk diet. No wine.

Vesp. Pulse 92. Temp. 102½°. Headache not so distressing.

6<sup>th</sup> day.

March 20<sup>th</sup> Pulse 80. Tongue moist; very thirsty; bowels  
 not moved yet. Skin dry; temp (noon) 101°. Urine  
 slightly acid. M. p. 1:033. Chills diminished. Nausea  
 was absent. ~~Had several delusions last night but slept~~  
 fairly. ~~I thought she saw a black man in the ward~~

7<sup>th</sup> day.

March 21- P. 84. Bowels moved several times after a d. script.  
 Skin moist; temp (noon) 101°. Cheeks a little flushed.  
 urine, acid, M. p. 1:031, deposit of amorphous urates.  
Vesp. P. 80. Temp. 101½°. Copious perspirations effected odore.

8<sup>th</sup> day.

March 22<sup>d</sup> P. 80. incomp. Still has headache, face flushed  
 not flushed. Skin dry; temp. 101°. Urine has copious deposit  
 of urates 1:029. no albumen. Chills a little diminished.

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9<sup>th</sup> day.

March 23<sup>d</sup>. Pulse 76. Tongue protruded considerably, moist, with whitish dorsal fur. Has but little relish for food yet, but thinks she is quite well, and wishes to leave bed. Few petechial still visible. Skin exhales very foetid sweat. Temp.  $100\frac{1}{2}$ . Urine, sp. gr. 1.025. mucous cloud, in which reddish particles observed under the microscope.

10<sup>th</sup> day.

March 24<sup>th</sup>. Pulse 84, of better strength. Tongue moist, and almost clean. Bowels moved. Eruption has disappeared. Temp. (same)  $98\frac{1}{2}$ . Looks cheerful today.

12<sup>th</sup> day.

March 26<sup>th</sup>. Pulse 80. Tongue clean, but pale. Bowels rather constipated. Appetite good. Urine, acid, no albumen, Chlorides normal. Phosphates detected chemically. Sp. gr. 1.024. Slight deposit of octahedra of Oxalate of Lime. Patient has been out of bed for last two days.

14<sup>th</sup> day.

March 28<sup>th</sup>. The patient today dismissed progressing favourably -

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### Case III.

Typhus occurring in a patient under treatment for Hemiplegia, which was due to Syphilitic degeneration in the Encephalon? Convalescent on the 8<sup>th</sup> day.

Mrs. Johnstone. Aetat. 28, Ship-carpenter, married, with three children, resident at South Shields.

Admitted into Royal Infirmary under care of Dr. Laycock Jan. 6<sup>th</sup> 1864.

About 4 years previous to admission the patient contracted Syphilis, for which he was treated with Donovan's Solution, Sarsaparilla, Iodide of Potassium &c. In the autumn of 1861, he had an attack of Hemiplegia of the right side, with Paralysis of Voice & Speech and of the muscles of Mastication and Deglutition &c.

The following is an abridged extract of his case on admission.

Integumentary System - The patient has light hair and complexion: blue eyes, rather prominent, no areolae senilis. Tall, and in good condition. Face rather pale, expression cheerful. Body has a peculiar odour. Temperature of right side less than that of left.

Circulatory Syst. - Cardiac organs normal. Pulse 60, regular, fair volume & strength.

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Respiratory Syst. - normal.

Digestive Syst. - Tongue protruded conically, and rather to the healthy side. Appetite good. Bowels regular. No difficulty of Mastication and Deglutition.

Genito-urinary Syst. - Micturition normal; urine pale amber, with a little whitish deposit, Sp. Gr. 1.016, no albumen, Chloride, normal; deposit consists of triple phosphates and urates.

Nervous Syst. - Intelligence unimpaired, memory good. Sees dimly with right eye; and the eyelid droops. Voice and speech so imperfect, that the patient is almost unintelligible. Temperature and general sensibility comparatively greater on the left side. Power of motion of the right side of the body much impaired, and the motor power of the left leg imperfect. He cannot raise his right arm to the level with the top of the shoulder. Progresses with left side foremost, the right leg partly trailing.

After admission the treatment adopted at first was Hot-air bath, ~~Stychnine~~ <sup>strychnine</sup>, Faradization &c. and the patient improved.

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" February 9<sup>th</sup> - Ordered to have gr. v of Iodide of Potassium every six hours."

A history of Syphilis had been obtained.

" Feb<sup>y</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> - For the last week the patient has been daily Faradized; and is taking gr viij of the Iodide three times a day."

He is much improved lately. Can now lift a chair with the right hand, and use knife & fork at table. Urine, pale. Sp. gr. 1.015. no deposit."

1<sup>st</sup> day of the fever.

Feb<sup>y</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> - The dose of the Iodide, has been gradually increased; for the last few days he has been taking gr xxv of three times daily. Patient's health has not been nearly so well for the last week. The power of motion is considerably diminished. The patient states that he feels "giddy and weak, cold and shivering"; and that he has sensation "of cold water running over the back" today. The face is pale, and the expression more dejected than usual.

Pulse 136. Tongue furred, and the breath has a very foetid odor; Appetite bad: has had Diarrhoea for the last few days. Urine of

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smoky yellowish color, with little sediment; acid reaction, Sp. gr. 1.023; no albumen; sediment found to consist of amorphous urate, no phosphates detected. Galvanism, and the Iodide discontinued.

5<sup>th</sup> day.

Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> Pulse of moderate volume, soft. Regular, 132. Tongue moist, covered with pale colored scales. Dark scales on lips also. He is now unable to spit, and the saliva trickles out of the mouth. He is thirsty, has no appetite, and no motion of the bowels since last report. General abdominal tenderness under pressure. Respiration 40 per minute; there is little cough & expectoration. Patient states he has experienced considerable difficulty to pass urine lately. Urine, pale amber, slightly acid Sp. gr. 1.020. no albumen, Chloride normal; there is slight deposit consisting of triple phosphate, and amorphous urate. Skin dry, palms moist. Temperature at 10. pm. (determined by placing thermometer in the left axilla) =  $102\frac{1}{2}$ . There is eruption on the trunk and limbs, consisting of faint pinkish spots, slightly elevated, some disappearing under pressure, others indelible. There was

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a well marked eruption observed on 25<sup>th</sup> inst.  
The face is flushed, and the eyes mucous febrile.  
Intelligence unimpaired. The conjunctiva of the  
right eye has been inflamed for some days,  
and it is now oedematous.

The patient now states that he had no "shivering  
fit" before 22<sup>nd</sup> inst., and had no headache;  
but the health was deranged for about 8 days pre-  
viously; the face was flushed, he felt cold,  
and the appetite had failed.

According to this account, today is the 5<sup>th</sup> day.

Ordered -

Liq. Ammon. Acetat. ℥ ʒ vi

Aqua Camph. ad ℥ ʒ xii

Miscer. ut fiat Mixture. Capiat Cochlear. ij 4<sup>ts</sup> horis.  
3 xx of Wine daily. Best tea diet and milk.

6<sup>th</sup> day

Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> - Pulse 124. Tongue dry, and covered  
with dark crust, the crust being fissured. Bowels  
operated after evacua of *Ol. Ricini*. Urine, Sp. Gr.  
1.025. acid, no sediment, no phosphates or  
albumen detected, Chlorides diminished.  
Skin dry; temp. at 10.30 p.m. -  $102\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . He is gen-  
erally dozing, but intelligent when spoken to.

Casetti

The right eye is almost blind, and the cornea opaque.  
Ordered an Opeatic Collyrium.

7<sup>th</sup> day.

Feb<sup>y</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> Pulse 112. Tongue dry. Collection of sores on tongue and lips. Bowels not moved since yesterday. Urine sp. gr. 1.026, Chlorides much diminished; no albumen; copious deposit, consisting of triple phosphate and spherules & dumb-bells of phosphate of lime. Skin covered with perspiration; temp. 9.30 p.m.  $101\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}$ .

8<sup>th</sup> day.

Feb<sup>y</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> Pulse 104, weak. Tongue moist, and covered with less sores. Is less thirsty, and has relish for his beef-tea & wine. Bowels not moved yet. Urine, sp. gr. 1.026, alkaline. Chlorides still diminished, whitish deposit of same character as that of yesterday. Skin moist; temp. 8.30 p.m.  $98^{\circ}$ . Ordered. Ung. Hyd. Nih. Ox. To be smeared over the cornea.

9<sup>th</sup> day.

March 1<sup>st</sup> Pulse 100, rather small. Tongue moist, still covered with sores. Bowels not yet moved. Urine, sp. gr. 1.020, alkaline, Chlorides less dimi-

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~~Sediment~~ moved. Sediment of 10th of same character. Skin moist; temp.  $97\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$  (vesp.). The affected area is insensible.

10<sup>th</sup> day.

March 2<sup>nd</sup> - Pulse 92. Tongue moist, and cleaner. urine, sp. gr. 1.015. alkaline, chlorides almost normal, with sediment of phosphates. Skin moist; temp. (vesp.)  $97\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ : the eruption is much less conspicuous than it was. The patient can now grasp an object firmly with either hand.

11<sup>th</sup> day.

March 3<sup>rd</sup> - Pulse 92, rather weak & small. Slowly protrudes a little of the tongue, ~~and~~ it is moist and covered with little sores. Bowels not moved yet urine sp. gr. 1.016. Chlorides a little diminished, copious deposit of phosphates. Skin moist, temp. (vesp.)  $98^{\circ}$ . Still says he is 'no better'.

13<sup>th</sup> day

March 5<sup>th</sup> - Pulse 80. Tongue moist, covered with slight sores. urine, sp. gr. 1.018, copious deposit of triple phosphates, and struvite, & dumb-bells of phosph. lime, the latter predominating. Temperature  $97\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Allows he is little better for the last two days.

15<sup>th</sup> day.

March 7<sup>th</sup> - Pulse 72, of better strength & volume.

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Tongue moist. Appetite better, and not thirsty.  
 Urine Sp. gr. 1.012, alkaline, Chloride normal,  
 cohesion deposit, consisting chiefly of triple  
 phosphates. The patient looks much brighter  
 and more cheerful.

March 9<sup>th</sup> - Ordeal. Urine Disalbk. gr xij  
 Tinct. Cardamom Co. + ʒj  
 Inf. Gentian. Co ad + ʒviij  
Mucic. St. Marc. S. + ʒj 6<sup>th</sup> horis.

March 18<sup>th</sup> Pulse so. good vol & strength. Appetite good,  
 and bowels regular. Urine Sp. gr. 1.017. alkaline,  
 cohesion deposit, consisting of triple phosphates  
 and amorphous urates. The patient is now  
 stronger, and has more power of voluntary  
 motion than he had before the fever.

The affected cornea has now almost entirely cleared  
 up, and he sees well with the right eye. Urine  
 gradually reduced to ʒiv per diem.

March 26<sup>th</sup> Patient dismissed on this date, in possess-  
 ion of better health and strength than on admission.  
 Urine Sp. gr. 1.017, neutral, with slight cloud. in  
 which on microscopical examination minute reddish  
 particles observed - no phosphate detected.

### Case IV.

A mild form of Typhus occurring in a boy, convalescent on the 13<sup>th</sup> day. The fever characterized by drowsiness, no delirium.

John F. --- aet. 10, resident at 333 High St. admitted under the care of Dr. Laycock March 28<sup>th</sup> 1864.

#### Antecedent History.

The patient states that his father died of Typhus Fever a few weeks ago; that his mother and sister have lately been admitted into the Infirmary with fever; and that their family had the fever from the neighbors.

He says he was in good health previous to March 25<sup>th</sup>. On this date his appetite failed. (in morning). Had pain in ~~front~~ forehead and small of back, and all day felt cold and chilly. Ever since that day he has had a little cough; bowels have not been moved; and has felt very hot and thirsty, and the pain in the forehead has continued.

#### Present Condition (4<sup>th</sup> day of illness)

Integ. Syst. The patient has blue eyes, fair hair, and complexion. He is in a tolerable condition. Face is not flushed, but the expression is a little

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dull. The skin is dry, palms moist. Temperature (at noon)  $104^{\circ}$ . A few pinkish coloured spots are scattered over the trunk, which are slightly elevated and disappear on pressure. There is but little mottling of the skin.

Circ. Syst. Pulse 116, fair vol. and strength. regular. Cardiac sounds normal: systolic sound of good strength and distinct.

Resp. Syst. 34 respirations per min. Has a little cough but no expectoration. Breathing rather harsh. Complains of pain at the angle of the jaw, especially on the left side. The lymphatic glands are felt to be enlarged. This came on <sup>the</sup> first day day after the fever.

Digest. Syst. Tongue intensely red at tip and edges, and also for short distance backwards along centre: the remainder covered with whitish fur, but red papillae seen scattered over the furred part, so as to resemble a scarlatina tongue. The organ is moist and concavely protruded. Has <sup>but</sup> little desire for food, very thirsty. Bowels not moved since first day of illness. There is little abdomen.



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6<sup>th</sup> day.

March 30<sup>th</sup> P. 120. (morning) Temp.  $103^{\circ}$ - $103\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Yellowish  
film on tongue - Bowels moved this morning. Skin  
dry. Always sleeping.

Vesp. P. 116. Temp.  $104^{\circ}$ . Skin moist. Still has headache.

7<sup>th</sup> day.

March 31<sup>st</sup> P. 116 incomp. Tongue still of same char-  
acter as on admission. Urine, acid, mucous cloud

A. p. 1:020. Temp  $103^{\circ}$ . Skin dry.

Vesp. P. 120 Temp.  $103^{\circ}$ .

8<sup>th</sup> day.

April 1<sup>st</sup> Pulse 98. Temp  $102^{\circ}$  Tongue moist.

Bowels not moved for last two days. Still Sleepy.

9<sup>th</sup> day.

April 2<sup>nd</sup> Pulse 116. Temp  $103^{\circ}$  Tongue dry.

Bowels not moved yet. Urine, acid, slight mucous  
cloud. A. p. 1:015. no albumen, Chloids dim-  
inished - Still Sleepy. - Vesp. Pulse 108.

10<sup>th</sup> day.

April 3<sup>rd</sup> P. 88. Temp.  $102^{\circ}$  Urine, acid. no deposit.

A. p. 1:017. Chloids slightly diminished.

Vesp. P. 88. Temp.  $102^{\circ}$ .

11<sup>th</sup> day.

April 4<sup>th</sup> Pulse 92. Temp.  $101^{\circ}$ .

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12<sup>th</sup> day.

April 5<sup>th</sup> P. 90. Tongue cov<sup>d</sup> with white fur dorsally. Elsewhere reddish, rather dry. Bowels not moved last night. Skin moist; temp.  $100\frac{1}{2}$ . No trace of the eruption visible. Has been quite intelligent throughout, and the sleep day and night.

13<sup>th</sup> day.

April 6<sup>th</sup> Pulse 72. Incomp. Temp.  $98^{\circ}$ . The tongue is almost clean. Bowels moved yesterday. Says he feels better, but thinks he ~~is~~ began to improve yesterday. The appetite has been fair throughout, now improving -

The patient was able to leave bed with a week after last report.

## Case V.

Typhus, with marked delirium, <sup>and great prostration,</sup> in a middle aged man, formerly treated for Leucocythæmia. Convalescent on the 15<sup>th</sup> day.

John L. - Aet 35. occupied of late as a confectioner's porter, resident at Fieldmarch Close.

Admitted into the R. Infirmary March 31<sup>st</sup> 1864. under Dr. Laycock

### Antecedent History.

He enlisted to the Army in 1850, from which he was discharged two years ago. He was at the Crimea through

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out the Campaign; also in India during the Mutiny. He had Jangh Fever in India, and suffered from an affection of the Spleen for two years subsequently. He has been prone to a constipation for the last eleven months, and has enjoyed pretty good health during that period.

On the 26<sup>th</sup> March his present illness commenced: he felt "done up" after a journey before breakfast, & had no appetite; that night he had a shivering, with frontal headache. He strove to work till the 29<sup>inst.</sup> He has felt himself very hot during this period, and has been very noisy in his sleep.

About a month before the present attack he was to see some friends in the Infirmary.

His wife states, he wore a pair of boots for few days previous to his illness which ~~cut~~ had been mended in a house where several of the inmates had fever. were suffering from fever, and that these boots cut both his heels. No other <sup>possible</sup> sources of contagion could be traced.

### Present Condition, (6<sup>th</sup> day).

Integ. Syst. Face pale, ~~but~~ and the integuments here, as well as elsewhere, greasy, and having an unctuous

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small. Eyes dark, heavy, and conjunctivae injected. Copious black hair. Expression anxious, but occasionally comical; the face being sometimes contorted with agony; at other times the patient laughs.

The body is rather slight. An eruption is visible on the skin, consisting of brownish-pink coloured spots, scattered over the trunk and arms. They are slightly elevated, and fading ~~too~~ with the surrounding skin; they disappear under pressure, but some only fade. Temperature (at noon)  $104^{\circ}$ .

The feet Decubitus dorsi.

Circ. Syst. Pulse 96. of fair volume, regular, incompressible. Cardiac sounds rather weak, apex beat between  $5^{\text{th}}$  &  $6^{\text{th}}$  ribs.

Resp. Syst. The breathing is not hurried. ~~It is a dry & frequent cough~~ Has a frequent dry cough. Respiratory murmur rather harsh.

Digest. Syst. Tongue moist, large & flabby; the anterior third is red, and irregularly fissured; the remainder is covered with a thick creamy fur. The patient is very thirsty and does not care for food. Palpation of the abdomen does not occasion much inconvenience. The vertical dulness over the spleen is

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Organ measures about 4 inches <sup>in a line with</sup> (~~above~~ the axilla).  
 The blood appears to be deficient in corpuscles, and the  
 white corpuscles are <sup>comparatively</sup> slightly increased. The corpuscles  
 do not appear to form in rouleaux so readily as  
 they usually do, and the general appearance is peculiar.

Gen. urin. Sept. See tomorrow's report.

New. Sept. Complains of headache, pain in the lumbar  
 region, also in his limbs, which, he says is very severe.  
 His manner is too strange, sometimes he is inclined  
 to be jocular, then glooms. Probably this is due  
 partly to personal peculiarity, partly to febrile excitement.  
 He is a little confused, and does not give a clear  
 account of himself. Appears to be much exhausted.

Temp. Pulse 96. Temperature  $103\frac{1}{2}$ .

Ordered at visit -

1. ℥ij { Sig. Recumb. Aet. 73 iv  
 4<sup>th</sup> hori. { Olyne Comp. or. ad ℥viij No. 4. M. S.  
 Before & with diet. Vini ℥viij.

7<sup>th</sup> day.

April 1<sup>st</sup> Pulse 100. almost Comp. Tongue moist, very  
 thickly coated dorsally. Bowels not moved yet.

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Urine, amber color, with slight cloud. mucous cloud. pungent odour. Sp. gr. 1.019. Trace of albumen. Chloride diminished. Phosphates detected Chemically. His limbs are still very painful. Temp. (noon)  $103\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . He was very restless last night, and did not sleep.

8<sup>th</sup> day.

April 2<sup>nd</sup> P. 108. Tongue red and fissured anteriorly, covered with brownish fur posteriorly, dry in centre. No stool. Urine turbid with slight deposit of urates. Countenance still pale. Temp.  $104^{\circ}$ - $104\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . He was wandering from bed part night. Then slept.

Verf. P. 110. Temp.  $104\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ .

9<sup>th</sup> day.

April 3<sup>rd</sup> (Verf) Pulse <sup>120</sup>116. Tongue dry. Bowels not moved yet. Urine, alkaline, Sp. gr. 1.025. Chloride much diminished; trace of albumen; Copious deposit of triple phosphates and phosphates of lime. Patient has been in a state of muttering delirium all last night and today. Does not know his friends today. Temp. Verf  $103^{\circ}$

10<sup>th</sup> day.

April 4<sup>th</sup>. Pulse 112. Temp.  $104\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ . Tongue brownish. Senna draught administered, which has operated. Urine, acid, Sp. gr. 1.025. Phosphates detected Chemically: deposit of urates. Still delirious.

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11<sup>th</sup> day.

April 5<sup>th</sup> P. 116, weak & small. Temp.  $104^{\circ}$  (noon) Skin oily. Petechiae visible on the trunk. Tongue cannot be protruded. The motions and urine passed in bed, <sup>involuntarily.</sup> Urine alkaline, Sp. Gr. 1.026.

Chlorides more copious, trace of albumen: deposit of triple phosphate and phosph-glycine. Slept last night. Sleepy today, but muttering.

Vesp. P. 114. Temp.  $103\frac{1}{2}$  -  $104$ . Breathing stertorous, 54 respirations per min.

12<sup>th</sup> day.

April 6<sup>th</sup> Pulse 108 in comp. Temp.  $102\frac{1}{2}$ . Patient is not muttering today: Sinking in bed. Motions passed involuntarily again last night. Pupils contracted (?)

13<sup>th</sup> day.

April 7<sup>th</sup> P. 112 Temp.  $103^{\circ}$  (noon)

Vesp. P. 104. Temp.  $102^{\circ}$ . Patient little more alert: we tonight for the first time; recognized his friends. Still breathing very stertorously. Expression wild: limbs tremulous.

14<sup>th</sup> day.

April 8<sup>th</sup> P. 100 Temp.  $102^{\circ}$  Urine, alkaline, ~~Sp. Gr.~~ foetid odour. Chlorides scarcely diminished, trace of albumen: copious deposit of triple phosph. and phosph. lime. Can now protrude tongue. Still sleepy. Slept well last night.

Vesp. P. 92. Temp. ~~102~~  $101^{\circ}$

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15<sup>th</sup> day.

April 9<sup>th</sup> Pulse 88. Temp.  $100\frac{1}{2}$

Vesp. Pulse 80. Temp.  $98\frac{1}{2}$ .

16<sup>th</sup> day.

April 10<sup>th</sup> Pulse 76. Temp  $98^{\circ}$ . Appetite improved. Urine, alkaline, deposit of triple phosphate and phosphate of lime. The patient looks brighter today, talks more sensibly, but still tenacious to wonder in conversation and he is irritable in temper. Slept well last night.

April 15<sup>th</sup> Since the last report the patient has been much improved. but he is very weak, and anaemic looking. The eyes are very prominent. The articulation is much impaired, so that it is difficult to understand what he says. He is partly deaf also.

Report discontinued on this date.

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