

stomach and diaphragm. In a short time the lungs cleared up but the condition of the belly remained as formerly. His bowels were sometimes constipated, at other times loose but generally free. The treatment by diuretics, with iron and hydragogue cathartics, was now directed to relieve the discomfort caused by the accumulation of fluid in the peritoneal sac, but with little permanent success.

About the middle of May he sent for me to see him at his own home. He was lying down, and on putting my hand on his belly the nature of the tumour was solved—it was now an enormously enlarged spleen—the notched and somewhat nodulated end and edge of which had been already felt. The liver seemed to be but little if at all enlarged as the edge of it corresponded with that of the ribs—the organ being pushed up into the dome of the diaphragm and overlapped by the resonant lung. There was no enlargement of the external lymphatic glands, but there were cicatricial marks on the neck beneath the left ear. The superficial veins of the abdomen and front of the chest were enlarged and formed anastomoses by vessels of large *calibre*. A fringe of small veins, such as I have seen in cases of hepatic obstruction sprang into view at the edge of the ribs and extend about an inch upwards.

He had lived in the S. W. States about fifteen years ago and in coming to Montreal had been detained a short time at Whitehall on Lake Champlain, where he was seized with intermittent fever, from which, however, he soon and permanently recovered after reaching Montreal. Here, in passing, I may observe that Niemeyer states that “no connection has been proved between this disease (Leucocythæmia,) and malarial infection, or scrofula.”

A nourishing diet, quinine and iron, in various forms were now prescribed with the application of the Biniodide of Mercury ointment externally. Under this treatment he rapidly improved; he grew stronger, the ascites and splenic tumour diminished so that he was able to walk a mile down town to his work—that of a saddler. He shortly after this