

skin over some of these is glossy and white, over others rather dark brown ; suspicious indications of syphilis, though no very direct history can be elicited.

**Diagnosis :** The peculiar chinky character of the cough seemed to point to some tumour pressing on the trachea. The slight tracheal tugging confirmed this view.

**Treatment :** Hydriodic acid in syrup one drachm with ext euphorbia pilulifera in xv. gtt. t. i. d ; also sedative expectorants. After some weeks pot. iod. in xv. gr. doses t. i. d. was added. Under this treatment and rest the stridulous breathing and dry rales became less marked ; but cough did not seem much relieved. A consultation with Drs. Oliver and Campbell confirmed suspicion of aneurism of the arch. The patient lingered in a semi-recumbent posture till February 4th, 1893, when he died suddenly from hemorrhage. On post mortem a well defined aneurism of the arch was found pressing upon the posterior wall of the trachea, and both bronchi. The pressure had eaten through the cartilages in several places, leaving a thin film of mucus membrane to bay out into trachea and left bronchus. One of these in the left bronchus was ruptured. The sac wall posteriorly was well covered with a thick irregular layer of coagulated blood. If it had been a little more extensive the patient's life might have been prolonged at least.

The case is of interest on account of the insidious character of its onset and progress. It is possible that the walls of the aorta may have given way during the intractable vomiting of two years before in the West Indies, or more probably during the incessant coughing during his attack of la grippe one year before ; or both the vomiting and coughing may have been aggravated by a pre-existing aneurism from pressure upon the filaments of the pneumogastric.

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