

Autopsy disclosed a well-marked syphilitic basal meningitis and more or less general meningo-encephalitis.

Case X. Male. Age 38. Clerk. Jew. Was quite healthy as a child. Drank heavily from the age of 15 to 27, but has been practically a total abstainer since. Said to have contracted venereal disease about eleven years ago.

Was perfectly healthy until two years ago when he began to manifest some irritability and to notice that the memory was not as reliable as formerly. About eight months ago he began to suffer from spells of numbness in the hands and some difficulty in speech, lasting about five minutes, recurring every two or three weeks and occurring mostly on Sundays, beginning sometimes in one hand, sometimes in the other and extending to the jaws and tongue, involving speech. Some months later the condition extended to the lower extremities, which also felt weak and was associated with some twitching sensations in the muscles affected. During this time he also suffered from attacks of dizziness, occasional headaches and more marked impairment of memory. The day previous to the examination he suffered from an attack of greater severity than ordinarily and following which he became extremely nervous, restless, excitable, exalted, talkative and emotional.

The clinical picture was typical of general paresis in a hypermaniacal state. He became acutely maniacal, necessitating his removal to the hospital for the insane where he died within two months in a condition of maniacal exhaustion.

His father died at 88, more or less demented, following an apoplectic seizure received twenty years before, resulting in complete right hemiplegia and aphasia. Mother died at 69 of gastric carcinoma. One maternal uncle died of tuberculosis.

Autopsy was not permitted.

In reviewing the clinical data of these ten cases, it will be seen that they correspond in general to those usually given by the various authorities on this diseased condition.

The age varies between 25 and 53, one before 30, five between 30 and 40, three between 40 and 50, one after 50.

The interval between the time of inoculation and of the