

the 3rd space on the left, anteriorly. Posteriorly, there is dullness below the angle of the scapula on the right side and below the 9th rib on the left. Rhonchi are heard all over the chest, and a few coarse crepitations are heard at the bases of the lungs.

Digestive System.—The tongue is dry and coated. The abdomen is soft and not tender. The liver dullness extends from the 4th rib to the left of the umbilicus, measuring 23 cm. in the right nipple line.

The feet are cold and there is marked œdema of the ankles and legs, extending up into the thighs.

The urine shows the following:—

Sp. Gr. 1,030, acid, clear, amber. There is a trace of albumen and a few granular casts.

Blood count shows:—

Red cells	3,150,000
White cells	7,800
Hæmoglobin	67%

Temperature 99.3. Pulse 120. Respiration 24.

Diary.—November 22.—For the last three days the patient has been kept in bed and given digitalis. The dyspnœa and orthopnœa have become much less, and the œdema has decreased considerably. The circulatory and respiratory systems are the same as before. She complains of soreness of her knees and shoulder joints, but there is no redness and no swelling.

Temperature 101½. Pulse 96. Respiration 28.

November 29.—The temperature, which has been intermitting between 95 and 98 for 6 days suddenly rose yesterday to 102 where it has remained. The pulse is now 112 and the respiration 48. The dyspnœa is more marked, but there is little cyanosis of the lips, cheeks or fingers. Her mental condition is dull. Large moist rales can be heard all over the chest. A paracentesis was done yesterday in the lower axilla and 100 c.c. of blood-stained fluid withdrawn. There is no friction rub or blowing breathing. The cardiac dullness and sounds are unchanged. The spleen can just be felt under the costal border. No definite dullness can be made out in the flanks.

December 1, 1909.—The temperature has remained about 102. Respiration 64. Pulse 112. The breathing is now very laboured, with dilation of the alæ nasi and contraction of the muscles of the neck. There is dullness, blowing breathing, increased fremitus, and fine crepitations over the upper lobe of the left lung.

December 2, 1909.—Patient gradually sank since last note and died.