

Tabular View of Twenty-two Cases of Empyema Treated in General Practice.

No.	NAME.	AGE.	DURATION.	LEADING FEATURES.	TREATMENT.	RESULTS.
1	S. Z.	22 Yrs.	4 Weeks	Right localized. (Mullatto.)	Incision, free drainage, Aug. 2, 1868	Died of phthisis six months after.
2	J. B.	4 "	3 "	Right general	Spontaneous opening in 6th space in line of axilla, June 4, 1869	Recovered in four weeks. Not washed out.
3	P. L.	42 "	8 "	Left general. Pus offensive.	Spontaneous opening in 6th space in line of axilla, Mar. 4, 1870	Recovered in ten weeks. Not washed out.
4	J. A.	18 "	5 "	Right localized	Spontaneous rupture into bronchus, Nov. 18, 1871. Several attempts to reach pus with needle failed.	Died suddenly at time of rupture.
5	N. A.	17 "	12 "	Right localized	Spontaneous rupture into bronchus. Subsequent fruitless attempt to reach pus with aspirator.	Died of phthisis.
6	D. K.	44 "	2 "	Right localized	Incision and escape of 4 oz. of putrid pus on the 30th March, 1879.	Died April 10, 1879, from injuries by falling tree which had fractured skull and ribs and thus caused the empyema.
7	Mrs W.	22 "	10 "	Right general.	Trocar and drainage tube, 48 oz. offensive pus discharged on Sept. 19, 1878. Washed out with carbolic acid. Tube inserted below angle of scapula about two inches.	Cured in three months. This case came on a few days after confinement.
8	Mrs. J.	69 "	9 "	Right general.	Trocar and tube, July 10, 1881. Pus offensive. Washed out with carbolic acid, one per cent., every four hours.	Perfect recovery in eight weeks.
9	T. McK.	11 "	6 "	Right general.	Trocar and tube Mar. 24, 1880, pus large in quantity and offensive. Carbolic acid, one per cent.	Recovery complete in eight weeks.
10	Mrs. M.	20 "	4 "	Right localized.	Trocar and tube, Jan. 11, 1885. One pint of pus escaped from 7th intercostal space behind.	Patient had phthisis and died a month after without having been made any better by the operation.
11	W. H.	26 "	2 "	Left general.	Trocar and tube two inches below angle of scapula, on Dec. 3, 1883. Two pints putrid pus. Washed out with carbolic acid, 1-128.	Rapid and perfect recovery. Well in five weeks.
12	Mrs. W.	31 "	3 Days	Left general.	Aspirated 20 oz. pus, Oct. 16, 1884. She was confined some days before aspiration and was pretty well on the 13th.	Died same night, i.e., Oct. 16.
13	P. H.	38 "	3 Weeks.	Right local	Spontaneous rupture into bronchus, May 7, 1883. Pus very offensive but not large in quantity.	Recovered in six months.
14	W. H.	32 "	3 "	Left local.	Spontaneous rupture into bronchus, May 1, 1883.	Recovered in nine months. Hectic fever every day for three months. Pus offensive.
15	J. C.	27 "	9 "	Right general.	Spontaneous rupture into bronchus, Sept. 2, 1881. Rapid falling, great emaciation till Sept. 30th, when I put in rubber tube 3 inches below angle of scapula and let out large quantity of putrid pus.	Immediate improvement followed operation and recovery complete in three months. Washed out. Has borne two children since and seems perfectly well now.
16	S. W.	6 "	2 "	Left localized	Trocar and tube, April 13, 1886, 8 oz. sweet pus.	Fever continued high and he died in two weeks. No benefit from operation. He belonged to a family most of whom had died of phthisis.
17	R. G.	8 "	3 "	Left general.	Trocar and tube, May 29, 1886, 16 oz. sweet pus.	Recovery in three weeks. Not washed out. Pus never became offensive. Tube removed in sixteen days.
18	T. S.	24 "	2 "	Left localized. Patient broken down by disipation.	Trocar and tube, May 16, 1886.	Improved very fast for a week when he died suddenly with symptoms of pulmonary embolism.
19	T. F.	4 "	8 "	Right general. Pus pointed two inches below angle of scapula	Incision and tube, Aug. 4, 1886, a pint of sweet pus	Rapid recovery. Tube removed permanently in two weeks
20	E. S.	3 "	6 "	Left general. Temp normal at time of operation and for several days before.	Trocar and tube, July 23, 1887, pus 20 oz. and sweet. Washed out.	Not Tube removed in seven days and recovery perfect then. Pus remained sweet.
21	S. B.	10 "	3 "	Right general	Trocar and tube, Feb. 27, 1888, about 24 oz. sweet pus. Not washed out.	Tube removed on fourteenth day and not replaced. Recovery perfect.
22	J. G.	26 "	4 "	Left general	Aspirated Mar. 25, 1885, and two quarts of clear serum removed. Aspirated again April 15, and three pints of pus removed. Drainage tube put in May 7, 1885, and the cavity is still discharging. Patient refuses further treatment.	I was consulted Sept. 2, 1885, and have seen patient once since, but could not persuade him to undergo re-section of ribs.