

1. (c) Most of the sensations experienced bear some relation to the ingestion of food. Especially inquire whether discomfort or pain is better or worse or unaffected by food. How long after eating does the "heartburn" occur? Is the belching of gas associated with "air-swallowing"? Is the vomiting preceded or not by nausea? Ascertain the characters of the vomit, *e.g.*, copious or scanty, black, green, yellow, bloody, viscid, forthy, sour-smelling, faecal odour.

(d) When was the last movement of the bowels? How often do they move? Is there any relationship to meals? Is the movement associated with pain, and if so what is its character and situation? Ascertain the characters of the faeces, *e.g.*, copious, or scanty, black, brown, bright or dark red, green, light or dark yellow, clay-coloured, sour-smelling, offensive, dry, hard, watery, slimy, flattened in shape, ribbon-like, furrowed longitudinally. Do the faeces contain abnormal ingredients, such as undigested food, or parasites?

(e) Is the pain diffuse or localized, continuous or intermittent? Is it severe, paroxysmal, and griping? Is there deep or superficial tenderness, and if so, what is its location and area? Has there been pain between the shoulders or over the right shoulder? Is there nausea or vomiting, or both? Has there been jaundice and clay-coloured stools? Is there a history of typhoid fever, malaria, syphilis, amœbic dysentery, "chronic indigestion", or alternating constipation and diarrhœa, with perhaps passing of blood by the bowel?

2. If there is pain radiating down the left arm, what relation does it bear to exertion? Is it accompanied by superficial tenderness? Is there a gripping sensation in the chest? Is it accompanied by fear of impending death? Is it worse at night? At what time do the feet swell? Note the character of the sleep, and whether it is accompanied with dreams. Are there illusions, hallucinations, delusions, etc.? What is the nature and situation of the headache? Is it accompanied by superficial tenderness of the scalp?

It should be remembered that often no definite separation of symptoms due to the heart or blood vessels can be made, although at other times one or other group of symptoms may predominate.