

it is dull. The form of the tumour is circular, and pressure induces pain. Deep palpation reveals a hard ridge passing vertically from right to left $1\frac{3}{4}$ in., and taking origin in the upper border of the enlargement. From the lower third of the right border of the tumour a less prominent ridge passes to the left and downward two inches. Both ridges become lost in a thick, nodular mass which forms a part of the whole enlargement. There is absence of firm texture between the tumour and the inferior cartilaginous margins of the 8th, 9th and 10th right and left ribs, and in these situations the percussion-note is high-pitched and tympanitic.

March 31st.—The introduction of the siphon to-day was met by a gush of muco-purulent matter. All through the day this material has been brought up at intervals by hawking and by expectoration.

The thermometer has been employed many times, but I have observed no rise of temperature above the normal since my first examination of the case. I am informed by the patient's wife—a lady of intelligence—that there occurs every second afternoon a slight fever, the signs of which are thirst, dryness of the tongue, flushing and increased heat of the skin, and restlessness. Expectoration brings mucus and muco-pus, the breath continues offensive, and anorexia is pronounced. The patient is much depressed, all voluntary movement being feeble and the voice low and husky. Death is apparently imminent.

April 2nd.—The patient still spits large quantities of muco-pus, experiences a burning pain in the epigastrium, and is worried by constant hiccough occurring in prolonged, feeble, inspiratory squeals. The bowels are obstinately constipated, the respirations slow and long-drawn, the pulse feeble and slow, and the mind clear and active.

The symptoms described as pertaining to an apparently speedy death continued from March 31st till April 10th. Fever developed every afternoon, the nights were spent in restless changes, and at times palpitation of the heart lent much to the discomfort. Hiccough was almost constantly present during these days. The treatment given promoted comfort and sustained vitality. Baths