

The abdomen is soft with no special points of tenderness. There are confluent reddish purple blotches all over the body. The temperature is 101°. Examination of the chest revealed no abnormalities.

At 1 o'clock temperature was 101°.

At 2 o'clock a quantity of yellowish fluid was vomited.

Patient's pulse rose to 120 by 2.30.

At 3 o'clock patient again vomited and an hour later the respirations were 30. Temperature 102 (axilla) and pulse 128.

Patient vomited at 5 o'clock and again at 7 o'clock after having taken water, oz. iv.

At 8 o'clock the respirations were 36, pulse 152, and temperature 99. Milk, oz. viii., was given, but patient became very nauseated and suffered great pain in abdomen. The bowels moved and urine was passed. He seemed very restless. The pulse rate has dropped to 130.

At 10 o'clock the patient was in great pain and the pulse rate had risen to 152 and was of a weak and running nature. The abdomen was flat but rigid, especially on the right side, and was tender all over. The blotches previously noted had assumed a much deeper color. The patient was lying on his face. The face was clammy, but pinched; the features sharp, eyes sunken, the lips and tips of the fingers were cyanosed and patient very restless.

At 11.30 patient was examined by Dr. F. N. G. Starr, who found him in a critical condition, almost pulseless, feet and hands cold and facial expression indicating general collapse as often seen in peritonitis. Case was diagnosed as one of peritonitis and all hope of recovery abandoned.

The pulse became too feeble to be counted and the patient died at 12.40 a.m.

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There were no abrasions or sores on the surface of the body.

The thoracic organs, with the exception of some old pleuritis adhesions, showed nothing of importance. Omentum spread out over loops of intestine, which contains very little gas. Peritoneum moist over upper portion, becoming dry and sticky towards the mesentery. The right inguinal region contains purulent fluid in character slightly blood-stained. Pelvis contains quantity of this fluid. In region of the appendix there are a few old scars, the appendix itself is small and bent on itself, very slightly congested, somewhat more so at the tip. The mesenteric glands somewhat enlarged and soft. The wall of the lesser curvature, on anterior surface, is discolored and looks soft.