

dulness in the base of the right lung, and the previous history of malignant disease of the uterus (I think it was a malignant adenoma) seemed to point to secondary involvement of the lungs. About two weeks after the first tapping, it was found necessary to repeat the operation, when about sixty-nine ounces of bloody serum were withdrawn. The apex beat was found in its normal position after this. However, the patient's cachectic appearance increased rapidly from this time on. She lost flesh rapidly, the pain became more and more intense, the dyspnea became extreme, and she died in the early part of October, nearly two years and a half after she had undergone the hysterectomy.

Unfortunately, I was unable to procure a post-mortem, so it may be urged that there was a possibility of error in the diagnosis. However, when the whole clinical history is taken into account, I think it may be reasonably assumed the hemothorax was incidental to secondary carcinosis. I was not able to find much literature on the subject. Foster & Godlee's work on "Malignant Diseases" threw the most light in this regard.

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### A CASE OF HYDROTHORAX.

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Mrs. S., aged 57; married; two healthy children; no adverse family or personal history, except that she had a carcinoma removed from her left breast in a Toronto hospital about two years ago. No external signs of a recurrence since, and remained in her usual good health continuously till about December 1st, 1902. She then began to complain of not feeling well, but could not give any definite symptoms except that she felt occasional pains in and around her left chest, which made her fear that there might be a recurrence of her cancer. She continued to grow worse, and about Christmas was taken to her bed, feeling too weak and debilitated to go about. She then called in a local physician, who cared for her for some time, but eventually came to the conclusion that her condition was due to a secondary malignant growth within the thorax, and said he could not hope to do anything for her.

I was wired for to see her on January 29th, 1903, and found her considerably weakened, and with history already given.