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absence either of a positive Wassermann or of appearances suggestive of syphilis in other organs, while some degree of overgrowth of the fibrous frame-work was present in all but two cases in the series. On the other hand, however, the presence of the histological appearances adopted as diagnostic of syphilis in the liver may be regarded

as very reliable, as the following figures will show.

Of the 100 cases examined, 54 gave a positive Wassermann reaction, 17 a partial reaction, while 29 were negative. The histological findings agreed very closely with these, for the whole 54 cases with a positive serum action were returned as positive histologically, while of those giving a partial reaction 14 were diagnosed as certainly positive, and 3 as doubtful, but probably positive; but further details of the histological peculiarities of these cases will presently be mentioned. Turning now to the cases giving a negative serum reaction-29 in all-of these, 14 cases were diagnosed as positive histologically, 5 as doubtful, and in 10 cases the histological and serum diagnosis agreed. Now, of the 14 cases diagnosed as positive. 5 had definite clinical manifestations of syphilis, and 3 of these were under mercurial treatment at the time of their death, thus leaving 9 cases with an absolute disagreement between the histological and serum diagnosis and without clinical signs in support of the histological diagnosis. But Rubens' has shown that many cases with inherited syphilis of a latent type only present a positive Wassermann reaction coincidentally with the onset of clinical signs, previous results having been negative, and it is more than probable that these 9 include some such cases.

Appended are the results in tabular form :-

Wasse		Reaction		PHILIPPINE I	Histologica	d Diagnosis.	nigoral
Wassi	rmann	Reaction	de here	Positive.	Doubtful.	Negative.	Total.
Positive			54	54	ini Baarro	20011 30	54
Partial			17	14	3*	C	17
Negative	•••		29	14†	5	10	29
Total			100	82	8	10	100

^{*} Probably positive.

Now, a consideration of any of the recorded investigations shows that many cases of syphilis do not give a positive Wassermann reaction, and some correction must be applied to any statistics based on this reaction. The Committee in charge of the Victorian investigation into the prevalence of syphilis have adopted as the basis for their report a correction of 40 per cent (i.e., that 60 positives represent 100 cases of syphilis). If this be correct, it is obvious that there is a vastly greater measure of agreement between the histological standards of syphilis adopted and the Wassermann reaction than there is between clinical standards and the reaction.

But it may be objected that these results taken from cases chiefly of acquired syphilis do not apply to the inherited form of the disease, and, although the figures are on a small scale, Kaliski' con-

[†] Five with definite clinical manifestations.

cludes that 98 per cent. of infants and 50 per cent. of children with hereditary syphilis give a positive reaction. The necessary correction for this class of case then lies somewhere between 2 per cent. for infants and 50 per cent. for older children; so that, even adopting these figures, the results of the present investigation are well within the limits suggested by Kaliski.

The Partial Cases.

A great difficulty is always experienced in the interpretation of partial reactions, but a consideration of the histology of the cases giving such a reaction in this series seems to make it clear that a partial reaction means the presence of a syphilitic process in a quiescent or retrogressing stage, for the majority of these cases show a retrocedent tendency, as evidenced by—

- (a) hyaline degeneration of the thickened wall of the small arteries; or
- (b) the absence of signs of activity in the over-grown fibrous tissue of Glisson's capsules in the liver.

Again, three of these cases which had given a definite history of syphilis, and had been under treatment for short periods, all showed very definitely this retrocedent tendency.

Syphilis as the great Underlying Cause of Infant Mortality.

Coming now to look more in detail at the effect of syphilis in causing infant mortality. If we put out of consideration for the time being all those cases in which the histological findings did not absolutely agree with the serum reaction or clinical phenomena, the facts are still very striking, for to the 54 cases giving a positive reaction must be added 5 cases with definite clinical evidence of syphilis but giving a negative Wassermann reaction, and 3 similar cases giving a partial reaction, thus bringing the total number of undoubted cases of infection up to 62 (per cent.). Fournier's says that "many of these children carry death in their birth," and certainly the process must start in some cases very early in intra-uterine life. For example, case No. 20 in this series shows in the liver of a child fourteen days after birth large tracts of old fibrous tissue completely inactive and undergoing retrogressive changes. So it is that very many of these cases die early during the first year. «Of 44 cases in this series dying during the first twelve months, all, without exception, were diagnosed histologically as syphilitic—that is to say, all were "fibrotic"; and among these 44 infants, 26 gave a positive Wassermann reaction and 10 a partial reaction, while 8 (of which 3 were clinically definite cases of syphilis) gave a negative reaction.

Cases Dying under Twelve Months.

Total number	 	 44
Histologically positive	 	 44
Wassermann positive	 	 26
Wassermann partial	 	 10
Wassermann negative	 	 8*

 ³ definite clinical cases of syphilis.

But further light is thrown on the problem of the influence of syphilis in bringing about early death by a consideration of the ages and of the immediate cause of death in the 10 cases in which there was neither clinical, serological, nor histological evidence of syphilis present. Only 3 of these cases were under 4 years of age, and 4 of them were over 8, while in every case death was due to severe illness such as sarcoma of kidney (1 case), acute nephritis (1 case), cerebral abscess (2 cases), general peritonitis after operation for gastrostomy (1 case), general tubercle (1 case), rheumatic endocarditis (2 cases), broncho-pneumonia, with death on the fourteenth day (1 case).

These histories stand in marked contrast to those of the previous series (i.e., cases dying under one year), in the majority of which death was ascribed to gastro-enteritis, broncho-pneumonia of short duration, rapid generalised tubercle, or mild infective disorders, while a few followed small surgical operations.

The Resistance of the Congenital Syphilitic.

Not only is syphilis responsible for much infantile mortality, but also it leads to diminished resistance to mild infective diseases, and to many sudden deaths with only slight lesions to be found post mortem. The present series abounds with illustrative examples in which the organs showed the characteristic changes and the Wassermann reaction was positive. For instance, one may quote case No. 20* a child 14 days old, with sudden collapse and death three hours after the complete cessation of a small umbilical hæmorhage, the only lesion found post mortem being a small hæmorrhage into the thymus gland; or, again, cases 39, 73, 76, with death in the first twenty-four hours from the onset of a broncho-pneumonia, with only slight lesions post mortem; or, as an example of yet another class, case No. 92, ill seven days with cough, epistaxis, and signs of cardiac dilatation, the only lesion found post mortem being a dilated heart with no valvular lesion; or, again, case No. 35t, with death after a short period of coma and acetonuria, the only gross lesion noted post mortem being cedema of the brain.

The Relation of Generalised Tubercle and Gastro-Enteritis to Fibrosis and Vascular Changes in the Liver.

It is commonly objected by those who do not accept the views advanced in this paper that the histological standards adopted are merely those of chronic inflammation, and might be caused by any chronic infective process such as tubercle or gastro-enteritis. That such may be the case in the spleen I have already stated; but that general vascular changes or fibrosis are produced by tubercle is contrary to all experience, not only in children, but in cases dying in adult life. The material in this series bearing on the point is too limited to warrant much attention, but all the cases of generalised tubercle, with one exception, gave a positive or partial Wassermann reaction, and showed generalised vascular changes; or, in other

^{*} The numbers refer to appended table. † Wass. R. negative-clinical history of syphilis.

words, they were cases of tubercle grafted on to congenital syphilis, and running a downward course because of the devitalising influence of the inherited disease. The negative case (No. 17) did not show generalised arterial change in the liver, the only arteries affected being in the neighbourhood of the tubercular foci.

The relationship, however, between gastro-enteritis and syphilis and between gastro-enteritis and fibrosis and fatty changes in the

liver is by no means so clear.

An examination of the appended table will reveal many cases showing chronic ulceration of the mucous membrane of the bowel with fibrosis of the outer coats and arterial change, in association with a positive Wassermann reaction and the following changes in the liver:—

- 1. Fibrosis in Glisson's capsules and between the cells.
- 2. Arterial changes of the "syphilitic" type.
- 3. Fatty degeneration.
- 4. Lysis of liver cells.

The last two changes were often so extreme as to leave few normal liver cells visible in any microscopic field. The difficult question to settle is whether the toxins elaborated in the diseased bowel are the direct cause of these latter degenerative changes in the liver, or whether the changes in the liver and bowel are but part of the same syphilitic process, the gastro-enteritis being merely an expression of metabolic disturbances consequent on abolished or diminished function of the liver.

The material available is not enough to settle the point, which needs further post mortem, clinical, and experimental investigation. It does, however, provide sufficient evidence to justify one in regarding the latter view as at least probable, chiefly because, in the majority of cases, the fatty change in the liver has been apparently of slow evolution and because the vascular changes affect the small arteries to a very much greater extent than the branches of the portal veins.

The Relation of Microscopic Appearances to Clinical and Post-Mortem Standards.

Although it has been pointed out that in many cases the process must start quite early in intra-uterine life, in others the inception is apparently delayed till a much later period of gestation, or even till some time after birth. Such cases may not present much enlargement of the organs nor gross fibrosis at the post mortem examination, and may easily be missed till microscopic sections are examined, the growth of new tissue not being sufficient to cause an alteration in the consistence of the organ sufficient to be evident to the examining finger. But more striking still is the fact that over half the cases do not present at all the classical picture of congenital syphilis, the only hint given to the clinician in many of them being the poor resistance of the child, and the abnormal course run by some inter-current complaint. Schultz, who also draws attention to

this fact, was struck by the frequency with which he found S. pallida in sections of the organs of chidren dying soon after birth with no clinical manifestations of the disease, and points to the frequency with which the diagnosis is missed by both the clinician and the pathologist, and says that "if one requires complex changes in lungs, liver, and spleen he will miss many luetic cases in young children."

A general consideration of the material dealt with leaves nothing to be added to the description of the morbid anatomy of congenital syphilis published by Professor Allen in 1904, but it establishes the accuracy of the criteria he then enunciated, and consequently of the conclusions he then drew from post mortem experience with regard to the prevalence of syphilis. He then stated: "My figures must be taken for what they are, and no more general meaning must be read into them. They do not apply to the living hospital patients; they do not apply to the general community." The same remarks apply, but with greater force, to my own figures; first because the Children's Hospital, perhaps, less than any other may be taken as an index of the general population; and more important still, as Fournier, Schultz, and others have pointed out, death rapidly thins the ranks of the congenital syphilitic in the first few years of life, and so the figures derived mainly from children under 5 years must necessarily show an abnormally large percentage affected with the disease. Nevertheless, whether they belong to a hospital population or not, the loss of so many children is extremely serious from the national standpoint. The fact that out of the 100 cases now submitted considerably more than half were syphilitic should merit the most careful consideration by those interested in public health.

In conclusion, my best thanks are due to Dr. Hiller (who performed the Wassermann reactions) for many suggestions, but especially to Dr. H. D. Stephens, Pathologist to the Children's Hospital, Melbourne, who obtained for me both the opportunity of carrying out the investigation and also access to the clinical records of the cases examined.

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	Cunical History.	Premature child. Mother dying of phthisis. Regarded clinically as typically syphilitic.	Diarrhea and vomiting intermittent for 6 months. Marked syphilitic facies. Family history—6 miscarriages, r still-born child, 3 others apparently heal.	Mongol idiot. Ricketty, with open frontanelle. Death from broncho- pneumonia. 10 days'	ulness. Hypertrophic stenosis of pylorus.	Marked syphilitic stig- mata. Gastro-enteritis.	Nephritis.	Constipation—bowels never opened naturally since birth, never thri- ven, small child, rash on	buttocks and labia. Not obtainable.
Mercurial	Treatment.		days			Treatment for some months.	· ·		
Serum	Reaction.	(ante- mortem.)	+	1 +	Partial	+	1 -	+	1
			1	1	-		!	:	
	-	:	1	:	:	1	:	:	:
	Bowel.	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined
Histological Appearances.	Spleen.	Capsule thickened. Vessels thick walled with active endothelium. Perivascular accumulations of fibroblasts.	Great increase in fibrous stro- ma. Vessels thick-walled. Endothelium active. Some fibroblasts in pulp.	Diffuse fibrosis, chiefly old. The vessels are thick-walled, and show hyaline change. The endothelium is active.	Some increase in fibrous stro- ma. The vessels are thick- walled, showing both endar-	ceritis and periarteritis. Capsule thickened. Vessels thick-walled with marked endarteritis and periarteritis. Diffuse fibrosis.	Vessels thick-walled. Endo- thelium active. Very little perivascular cell accumula- tion. Capsule thickened and some increase in fibrous	fibrosis and fill fitration. Vessel, with active m and definit	arteritis. Capsule slightly thickened. Diffuse fibroblastic inflitra- tion. Vessels thick-walled, fibroblastic inflitration of outer coat, Great activity of endothelium.
I	Liver.	చ	Capsule thickened. Increase in fibroustissue in Glisson's capsules. No active fibrosis. Vessels thick-walled, endothelium active.	Thickened capsule. Some fatty degenera- tion. Great increase in fibrous tissue in Glisson's capsule, chiefly old; vessels thick-walled with active endothelium,	In	Endothelium active. Some congestion. Capsule slightly thickened. Extreme fatty degeneration. Marked fibroblactic activity in Glisson's capsules. Vessels thick-walled, with very active endo-	Well marked multilobular ferosis. Some activity at present. Vascular changes irregular. Doubtful, but probably positive.	Cirrhosis active and chiefly pericellular. Vascular changes patchy, but some vessels are thick-walled, with active endothelium and perivascular irritation.	Active fibroblastic infiltration in Glisson's capsules and between cells. Vessels show very active endothelium and fibroblasts in their middle and outer coats.
	Age.	to days	9 months	2 years	I month	3 months	3 years	17 days	
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Clinical History	cumen many.	Hodgskin's disease.	Generalised tubercle.	Cerebral abscess sequent, On middle ear sup- puration,	Pericarditis { r year's Endocarditis { duration. Pneumonia.	Diabetes. Rapid onset of coma and death. No suspicion of syphilis clinically.	No history obtainable, but gland sent for examina- tion with specimens, was an old organising	× .	Purulent meningitis. Du- ration of illness, 3 days. Considered at post-	mortem to be probably syphilitic. Thymus enlarged, Liver and spleen enlarged and firm.
Mercurial	Treatment.							Treated in Out-pati- ents' Dept.		
Serum	Reaction.	(ascitic fluid.)	+	1	1	+	+	Partial	1	
		:		1	:	:		:	:	
		:		up!	i i a by	:	:	:	:	
	Bowel.	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	
Histological Appearances.	Spleen.	Capsule thickened. Large areas of cascation. Increase in fibrous framework. Vessels fibrous chochelium active, fibro-	sis of outer coats, perivascular cell accumulation. Capsule thickened, irregular overgrowth of fibrous tissue of stroma. Vascular changes irregular come shour children.	wals and active endothelium Capsule thickened. Vessels are thick-walled and hydline. No active fibrosis or peri-arti- cular irritation. Some activ-	ity of endothelium of arteries Capsule thickened. Some in- crease in fibrous stroma. Patchy thickening of vessels with endarteritis.	Thickened capsule. Increase of fibrous framework. Vessels thick-walled, with well- marked endarteritis and peri-	vascular fibrosis. Well-marked fibrosis and thickening of walls of arteries which have undergone hyarine changes. Patchy end-	arteritis. Capsule thickened. Great increase in fabrous stroms. Vessels hayline degeneration of thickened walls. Endothel-	ium active. Some fibrosis. Thickening of coats of all the small vessels. Hyaline change in outer	coats. A few vessels show activity of endothelium.
E	Liver.	Active fibro-blastic infiltration of Glisson's capsules. Vascular changes irregular. Endothelial activity more marked than changes in outer coats.	S	Very little increase of fibrous tissue. No vascular changes.	4	engorgement. Liver—multilobular and pericellular fibrosis. Vessels fibrosis of outer coats. Endarteritis well marked.	Capsule greatly thickened. Increase of fibrous tissue of varying age in Glisson's capsules. Pericellular cirrhosis. Vessels thick-walled. Endarteritis, but very very	E 55 CH	SII	
	vge.	12 years	r year and 2 months.	ro years	4 years and 9 months				9 years	-3
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	_	Reaction. Treatment.	Tubercular lymph glands. History incomplete.	+ Father had syphilis. Child died of cellulitis of leg in 36 hours.	+ Cerebro-spinal meningitis, Ill 3 weeks. Terminal broncho-pneumonia.	Pag P	hæmorrhages in pleura, hæmorrhage into thy- mus.	+	+ Sub-acute abscess of left kidney.	Partial	Not syphilitic. Old æso- phageal stricture fol- lowing KOH. Gastro- stomy and general peri-	tonitis. History of gastro-enteritis inter-
	- v	Re	1	1	1984	1		1	:	Par	:	
			1	:	:	:			:	:	:	
		Bowel.	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined.	Not examined		Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	
The same of the sa	Histological Appearances.	Spleen.		S	5	Ö	dothenum.	Not examined	Capsule slightly thickened. Marked fibrosis and thickening of vessels, which show definite endarteritis and periodical fibrosis.	S	S	
The second secon	£.	Liver.	Capsule thickened, slight increase of fibrous tissue in Glisson's capsules. Some microscopic tubercles. No general vascular changes. Slight fatty degenera-	43 MI W	Thickening of capsule. Multilobular and pericellular cirrhosis. Vessel walls thickened. Endothelium active. Some fatty degeneration.	II.	thenum. Active pericellular nbroblastic infiltration.	Increase in fibrous tissue in Glissons' cap- sules. Vessels thick-walled, with marked endarteritis. Pericellular fibroblastic infliration. Slight fatty deconarion		Capsule not thickened. Well marked, multilobular and pericellular fibrosis: great thickening of vascular walls, and active round cell infiltration around	E	
		Age.	r year and 4 months.	3 weeks	5 months	2 weeks					4 years and 6 months.	
	;	o	12	18	61	20		12	64	23	7	3

University History	Cimical rustory.	ed a	bilicus not healed.		Tubercular meningitis, generalised miliary tubercle. Nothing suggestive in family history.	Congenital syphilitic as- thenia. Gastro-enteritis since birth.	Catarrhlenteritis and colitis for 1 month; cough 7 days before death. Definite signs of bronchomer and a bro	Rheumatic fever when at. 4. Some endocarditis then. 3 weeks before admission sudden left-sided heim-	consciousness. Some mit- ral endocarditis. Sudden death. Post-mortem pul- monary ædma, with right-sided cortical hæm-	Rash since birth. Considered syphilitic. Death from broncho-pneumonia. Ill 2 days, Sudden heart failure. His-	tory of r miscarriage previous to her birth.
Mercurial	Treatment.									-	
Serum	Reaction.	Partial	Partial	1	Partial	+	+	+	+ 111	1	
	Bowel.	Atrophic	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Marked ulceration of colon. Sub-acute in- flammation with old syphilis of small bowel.	Not examined		Not examined	
Histological Appearances.	Spleen.	Capsule thickened. Great fibrosis, vascular thickening and endarteritis.	Diffuse fibrosis. Marked thick- ening of walls of all small vessels. Endothelium active.	Capsule thickened. Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels as in ilver.	Not examined	Capsule not thickened. Diffuse fibrosis. Vascular walls thick- ened. Endothelium active.	Great thickening of the capsule. Diffuse fibrosis, with marked thickening of vessel walls and endarteritis.	Diffuse fibrosis with thick- walled vessels. Endothelium active.		Diffuse active fibrosis. Vessels thick-walled and hyaline. Endarteritis.	
	Liver.	Fibroblastic infiltration between cells. Endothelium of capillaries very active. No great thickening of arteries.	Fibrosis. Thickening of vascular walls with marked periarteritis and endarteritis.	S	Increase in fibrous tissue in Glisson's cap- sules. Active foci of fibroblasts among older fibrous tissue. Vessels thick-		vessels, which are thick-waited. Endorthelium active. Some fibrosis, chiefly pericellular. Vessels thick-walled with marked endarteritis.	Some old fibrosis, with more active foci. Pericellular fibrosis and fibroblasts. Vessel walls hyaline and thickened. Endothelium active.		Slight increase of fibrous tissue in Glisson's capsule. Thick-walled vessels with endarteritis and periarterial cell accumulation.	
	Age.	10 days		3 years and 4 months	9 months	2 months	4 months	7 years		7 months	
1	S.	2.5	36	27	80 11	29	30	31	100	32	

	Clinical History.	Five others in family. 2 miscarriages, 1 still- born; coryza for 3 months; mentally de- ficient; chokes when taking food. Breast fed. Died suddenly. Only lesion noted post-mor- tem was ædema of	S	reaction. III 2 days before death with bron- cho-pneumonia. III I month with peri- carditis, endocarditis. Death from broncho- pneumonia.	Syphilitic ænemia. En- larged spleen and liver. Death following copious hæmatemesis and mal- æna. Said to have been well till a few days	Death from pneumonia on the third day. No- thing suggestive of sy- philis clinically, or in	No suspicion of syphilis. Il 17 days. Measles. Lobar-pneumonia, em-	A seven-months child. Death from broncho- preumonia on third day.
Mercurial	Treatment,		Treatment for some weeks in O.P.					
Serum	Reaction.	11	Partial	1	+	+	+	+
					•	:	:	:
	rel.		-	1	-			
	Bowel.	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined
Histological Appearances.	Spleen.	Thickening and cellular infil- tration of capsule. Fibro- blastic infiltration of coats of all smaller vessels, with marked endarteritis and peri- arteritis.	Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels thick- walled, Endothelium active. Periarticular cell accumula- tion.	Some thickening and hyaline change in walls of small ar- teries. Endothelial activity. Perivascular fibrosis.	Extreme diffuse fibrosis, very little trace of spleen pulp being visible. Vessels for most part have hyaline walls. A few show active endothelium.	Capsule slightly thickened. No great fibrosis, but vascular changes are well marked.	Capsule thickened. Slight fibro sis. Vessel walls thickened and endothelium active.	Slight fibrosis. Great engorge- ment and hæmorrhage. Ves- sels thick-walled and hyaline. Endothelium generally ac- active.
•	Liver.	Slight increase of fibrous tissue in Glisson's capsule of varying age. Vessels show endarteritis. Thickening of walls, some hyaline, some showing active infiltration. Slight fatty degeneration.	Fibro-fatty, active fibro-blastic infiltration, chiefly in Glisson's capsurels. Vessels thick-walled. Endothelium active. Miliary tubercles throughout section.	Some increase in fibrous tissue in Glisson's capsules, both old and active. Vessels thickened. Marked endothelial activity.	Marked multilobular and pericellular cirrhosis. Vessels show great thickening of walls, only a few showing any signs of activity.	Multilobular fibrosis, but condition of vessels is doubtful. A few are thickwalled and hyaline, a few show endothelial activity.	Multilobular cirrhosis Vessels thick- walled. Endothelium active. Some peri- vascular fibrosis.	Multilobular and pericellular fibrosis, not showing much sign of activity. Slight fatty degeneration. Vessels have thick walls, with hyaline degeneration. Pat- chy endothelial activity.
	Age.	I year	9 months	II years	II years	2 years and 6 months.	7 years	II weeks
	No.	æ	34	35	36	37	38	8

The second second	Cunical ristory.	Born in Kew Asylum Deaf and dumb. Syphi- litic purpura. Syphilitic. zenemia. Gastro-en- teritis. Ill I month.	Syphilitic family. Others under treatment in Outpatients' Department. Death from chronic suppurative meningitis, 3 weeks' illness.	Regarded as syphilitic. Mother looks syphilitic. 3 previous children died in infancy. Gastro- enteritis of 3 months' duration.	Entero-colitis intermittent Fatal attack only lasted 24 hours. ? Status lymphaticus. Inymus	Death 36 hours after on- set, of strangulated her- nia. Operation note: "Caecum and appendix in sac—not injured be- yond repair. Returned. Child greatly shocked." Post-mortem wound healthy, no peritonitis; no gangrene of con-	Sarcoma of kidney.	Broncho-pneumonia. Death on 14th day.
Mercurial	Treatment.			Hyd. c Cret. and Grey oil for 2 months.				
Serum	Reaction.	+	+	1	1	+	(ante-mort.)	Partial
	Bowel.	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined	Engorgement of sub-muc- ous vessels. Slight ulcer- ation of colon.	Not examined	Not examined	Not examined
Histological Appearances.	Spleen	Diffuse fibrosis. Larger vessels have hyaline walls. Active fibro-blastic infiltration with endarteritis and periarteritis on smaller ones.	Capsule thickened; increase of fibrous stroma. Vessels as in liver.	Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels thickwalled with active endothelium.	Capsule greatly thickened. Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels as in liver.	Capsule thickened. Slight fibrosis. Vessels show fibrosis of outer coats, and activity of endothelium.	Capsule thickened, fibrosis, and some changes, particularly in central arteries.	Capsule thickened, Fibrous framework decidedly in- creased, Vessels doubtful.
H	Liver.	Marked multilobular and pericellular fibrosis. Vessels very thick-walled. Endothelial activity patchy in distribution.	Fibro-fatty. Extreme degree of fatty change. Vessels thick-walled with active endothelium. Perivascular cell accumulation.	Multilobular and pericellular fibrosis of liver. Vessels show marked endothelial activity.	Fibro-fatty. Some active foci of fibrosis multilobular and pericellular, with hyaline change in coats. Endarteritis.	Old pericellular fibrosis, with multilobular still showing signs of activity. Small vessels show marked irritation of endothelium.	Pericellular fibrosis, but no vascular changes	Some increase in fibrous tissue. Vessels doubtful.
No.		40 13 years	41 r month	42 4 months	43 8 months	44 9 weeks	45 4 years	46 r yea and 3 months.

			Histological Appearances.		Serum	Mercurial	
No.	Age.	Liver.	Spleen.	Bowel.	Reaction.	Treatment.	Clinical History.
4	to months	Pericellular fibrosis. Some fibro-blastic activity in Glisson's capsules. Vascular changes, chiefly in larger vessels, which are thick-walled, and show active endothelium. No fatty change.	Capsule thickened. Slight increase in fibrous stroma, Some thickening of vessels with irritation of endothelium.	Ulceration of colon with mono-nuclear leucocy-tes in ulcerated area. Round cell accumulation in sub-mucosa. Vessels thick-walled. Endothelium active.	+		Bowel trouble since birth. 8 other children. Brother died, æt. 2 months. Wasermann + Fatal attack of acute gastro- enteritis, lasting I week. No acute changes, post-
84	4 years and 6 months.	Multilobular fibrosis. Fatty degeneration. Vessels thick-walled, hyaline, with marked endarteritis.	Capsule thickened. Diffuse fibrosis. Vessel walls thickened and hyaline. Endothelium active.	Not examined	+		Diphtheria with retained tube. In hospital 6 months. Then contracted measles with bronchits, and died on
\$	4 months	Multilobular fibrosis of varying age. Vessels thick-walled, with endarteritis and periarteritis. Uniform engorgement. No fatty change.	Capsule greatly thickened. Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels as in liver.	Not examined	+		the second day. Cough for 5 weeks. Gastro- enteritis 4 days before death, 7 lb. weight. Death from malnutri- tion, no lesion being found in bowel, post-
20	4 months.	Fibro-fatty liver. Multilobular fibrosis. Vessels are doubtful.	Capsule greatly thickened. Marked fibrosis and thicken- ing of coats of vessels which	Ulceration of mucous membrane, Muscle thickened, Chronic in-	Partial		mortem. Entero-colitis, 1 month's duration. No other children. No miscar-
51	7 months	Fibrosis—vessels thick-walled, endothe- lium active. Old multilobular and peri- cellular fibrosis.	show endarteritis. Capsule thickened. Increase in fibrous framework. Vessels thickened. Endothelium active.	flammation. Chronic inflammation of colon and small bowel, with sub-acute exacerbation. Great ulceration.	1	٥.	riages. Entero-colitis of 3 months' duration. Clinically re- garded as syphilitic. Nothing suggestive in
5	184	The state of the s	DEC.	Chronic fibrosis of mus- cle coats. Vessels as in liver.	salinate of		family history.
52	ro months	Fibro-fatty. Multilobular and pericellular fibrosis. Foci of marked activity. Vessels show endarteritis and some fibrosis of outer coats.	Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels fibrosis of outer coats and activity of endothelium.	Chronic inflammation with engorgement of sub- mucous vessels, and fibrinous exudate on sur-	+		Entero-colitis.
53	2 months	Old fibrosis. Fatty fiver. Vessels thickened with endarteritis and periarteritis.	Capsule thickened. Vessels thickened, and as in liver.	Old fibroid changes in out-	Partial		· All Street Street Street
54	6 weeks	Old multilobular fibrosis. Some increase of fibroblasts. Between columns of liver cells. Vessels thick-walled, with definite endarteritis.	Capsule thickened. Great in- crease in fibrous strome. Vessels thick-walled, with definite endarteritis.	Old fibrosis of muscle coat, with thick-walled ves- sels. Sub-acute inflam- mation,	+		Ill since birth. Under- sized perionychia of right index finger. En- teritis. Broncho-pneu- monia.

-		Histological Appearances.	The state of the s	Serum	Mercurial	Oliviasi History
	Liver.	Spleen.	Bowel.	Reaction.	Treatment	Cimical History.
1	Fibro-fatty, fibrous tissue, chiefly old. Ves-	Not examined	Not examined	1		Broncho-pneumonia. Em-
	Extreme fatty change. Great increase in fibrous tissue in Glisson's capsules.		Some ulceration	1		pyema, 2 months. Ill 3 weeks. Entero- colitis, but only slight
	Patchy endothelial activity.		The same and			tem. Small, poorly-
5 months	Multilobular fibrosis. Pericellular fibro- blasts. Vessels thick walled-with	Capsule thickened. Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels as in liver.	Sub-acute enteritis and colitis.	Partial		Entero-colitis, III for 2 months, No suspicion
8 months	Harked charterins, Some increase in in. Fibrosis, Thick-walled vessels, with endar- teritis.	Capsule thickened. Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels-fibrosis of outer coats.	Not examined	(ante-mortem.)		Ill 3 weeks. Colitis long continued. Mild in- flammatory changes at
9 months	Fibro-fatty liver. Old fibrosis with more active areas. Smaller arteries are thickwalled with endarteritis.	Capsule slightly thickened. Slight fibrosis. Patchy end- arteritis of vessels, which are	Not examined	+		Post-mortem. Entero-colitis. Broncho- pneumonia. Slight mit- ral endocarditis, recent.
7 months	Capsule thickened. Increase of fibrous tissue in Glisson's capsules. Pericellular fibrosis active. Vessels thick-walled.	thick-walled, Capsule thickened, Diffuse fibrosis, Vessels as in liver.	Not examined	+		Erysipelas and general peritonitis. Ill I week. Chronic mild entero-
3 months	Aultilobular and pericellular cirrhosis. Vessels thick-walled, with endarteritis.	Fine fibrosis. Vessels thick- walled. Endothelium active.	Not examined	1	1	Blue since birth. No anatomical lesion found, but heart dilated. Six
r year and 7 months.	Capsule greatly thickened. Old multilobular fibrosis with activity. Some pericellular fibrosis. Vessels thick-walled. Endarteritis. No fat.	Capsule thickened. Marked diffuse fibrosis and vascular thickening with endarteritis.	Old chronic fibrosis in muscle coats. Ulceration of mucous membrane. Vessels as in liver. Ter-	1		other healthy children. No history of vomiting. Entero-colitis. Acutely ill 7 days. No suspicion of syphilis clinically.
3 months	Extensive fatty change. Active fibro- blastic infiltration in Glisson's capsules. Vessels show fibrosis of outer coats and, activity of endothelium.	Capsule thickened, Diffuse fibrosis, and vascular thickening with endarteritis.	- 01			Acutely ill 8 days. Entero- colitis. Colon showed evidence of chronic change at post-mortem.
	Extreme fatty change. Old fibrosis with very active foci in Glisson's capsules. Vessels thick-walled. Periarteritis and endarteritis.	Capsules thickened. Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels as in liver.	A	Partial		Entero-colitis. Ill 9 days.

Clinical History	de la constant de la	Po	not obtainable. Entero-colitis. Broncho- pneumonia.	Measles and otorrhoa, followed by tubercular meningits. Tubercular ulceration of bowel. Old tubercle at right apex. Interstitial kera-	uns.	Gastro entero-colitis of 4 weeks' duration. In- fant life child.	Death from acute acidosis. No lesion found, postmortem. Constipation and bead-ache for 4 weeks. Urine contained	nia.	Entero-colitis inter-mit- tent for 2 months. Traces of blood in mo-	tions at times. Broncho-pneumonia. Ill r day. Old history of diarrhea and vomiting. 2 other children. r miscarriage.
Mercurial	Treatment.	Treatment with Hyd. c Cret. for 6 weeks.								
Serum	Reaction.	+	1-	+	+	+	T	+	+	Partial
	Bowel.	Old chronic fibroid changes in sub-mucosa and muscle coats. Ter- minal engorgement.	Not examined	Tubercular ulceration. Old fibroid condition. Vessels thick-walled. Endarteritis and peri- arteritis.	Not examined	Colon—some ulceration. Marked catarrhal nfammation. Chronic catarr-	nal enteritis.	Some ulceration and sub- acute inflammation. Old fibrosis of muscle coat. Vessels as in	spieen. Colon—ulceration of mu- cous membrane. Old fibrosis of muscle coat.	
Histological Appearances.	Spleen.	Capsule thickened. Fine fibrosis. Vessels as in liver. Some hyaline change in coats of central arteries.	Capsule thickened. Fibrosis. Vessels show activity of en- dothelium and thickening of	Coosts. Coosts. Crease in fibrous framework. Vessels as in liver.	Capsule slightly thickened. Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels as in	Not examined	Thick capsule. Old fibrosis. Vessels thick-walled. Hya- line doubtful.	Capsule thickened Diffuse fibrosis. Definite endarteritis and fibrosis of outer coats of small arteries.	Not examined	Diffuse fibrosis. Vessel. as in liver.
H	Liver.	Extreme fatty, change. Old fibrosis in Glisson's capsules of varying age. Vessels show great irritation of endothelium and some fibrosis of outer coats.	Fibrosis old and active. Vessels are not characteristic.	Fibro fatty multilobular cirrhosis, with very active pericellular infiltration. Vessels thick-walled. Marked endarteritis.	Fibrosis, old and active. Vessels thick- ened. Marked endarteritis.	Fatty liver. Scarcely any normal cells now visible. Multilobular cirrhosis. Vessels thick-walled. Endothelium active.	Fibrosis in Glisson's capsules and between cells, chiefly old. Vessels doubtful. Some increase in fat.	Capsule thickened. Slight fibrosis. Marked fatty change. No active fibrosis. Vessels thick-walled, with marked endarteritis.	Fibro-fatty. Great increase in fibrous tissue in Glissonis capsules. Marked atrophy of liver cells. Vessels are thick-	walled. Endothelium active. Fibrosis pericellular and in Glisson's capsules—some very active foci. Vessels thick-walled. Endothelium active.
	Age.	5 months	t year and 6 months.	3 years	5 months	4 months	7 years and 10 months.	5 months	8 months	7 months
	No.	65	99	67	89	69	20	17	72	73

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,	1960	Liver.	Spleen,	Bowel.	Reaction	-	clinical History.
24	1 year	Intense pericellular fibrosis. Some increase in fibrous tissue of Glisson's capsules. Some fatty degeneration. Vessel walls	Diffuse fibrosis. Vessels as in liver.	Not examined	L		Scalds on face and forearm,
75	4 months	thickened Fibrosis and endarteritis. Fibro-fatty, Fibrosis, old in Glisson's capsules. No activity. Vessels thick-	=	Old chronic entero-colitis, with sub-acute inflamma-	itis, Partial		Br
92	4 months	walled with active endothelium. Capsule greatly thickened. Great increase in fibrous tissue of Glisson's capsule. Active pericellular fibrosis. Vessels	ర్	tion. Some ulceration.	+		Bi
. 3	10 months	Extreme fatty change, few normal cells persisting. Capsule thickened. Increase in fibrous tissue with active foci. Vessels show endarteritis and fibrosis of coats.	Capsule greatly thickened. Great increase in fibrous tissue of framework. Vessels very thick-walled with mark- endarteritis.	Not examined	+		Measles 2 months before death followed by entero-colitis and bronchopneumonia. Was represented as a convented
78	5 years	Fibrosis—chiefly multilobular with active foci of cell accumulasion. Vessels thick walled, hyaline. Active endothelium	Some increase in fibrous frame- work. Vessels as in liver. Sub-capsular infarction.	Not examined	+		Ħ
29	7 months	Capsule not greatly thickened. Increase in fibrous tissue of Glisson's capsules with foci of round-celled activity. Vessels	S	Not examined	 		Ill 5 weeks, diarrhoa. Death from broncho- pneumonia. No lesion in
98	5 months	thick-walled, Endothelium very active. Fibro-fatty. Fibrosis of varying age. Small tubercles. Vessels everywhere show thickening of walls and endo- thelial activity.	thelium. Capsule thickened. Diffuse old fibrosis. Vessels as in liver. Miliary tubercles throughout the section.	Not examined	+		E
18	8 years	Slight interlobular fibrosis, chiefly old, with a few round cells. Vessels are not characteristic.	Some increase in fibrous frame- work old. Vessels are not thick walled.	Not examined			mortem. Ill 1 month. Olden carditis. Acute matism and endo
822	4 years	Capsule thickened. Multilobular fibrosis of varying age. Active pericellular fibroblastic infiltration. Vessels thick-walled. Endothelium active.	Capsule thickened. Vessels show endarteritis and thick- ened hyaline walls.	Not examined	+		E
	è		Share and the state of the stat			1	mortem, septic broncho- purulent, meningitis, Hæmorthagic exudate over cordex of brain on left side, and some

			Histological Appearances.		Serum	Mercurial	
No.	Age.	Liver.	Spleen.	Bowel.	Reaction.	Treatment.	Cimical mistory.
83	11 years	Capsule thickened. Marked pericellular fibrosis, inactive. Vessels show endarteritis and fibrosis of outer coats.	Capsule thickened. Increase in fibrous stroma. Perivascular fibrosis. Vessels as in liver.	Not examined	+		Convulsions since infancy. Meningo - encephalitis. Ill r day. Considered to be syphilitic at post-
*8	9 weeks	Active fibro-blastic change in Glisson's capsules and between cell columns. Fatty liver. Vessels—endarteritis and fibro-blastic infiltration of outer coats.	Not examined	Not examined	+		Gastritis and some en- teritis for 1 week. Paralytic distension of the bowel. Post-mor-
85	r year and 7 months.	Capsule thickened. Fibrosis of varying age, chieffy multilobular. Some pericellular fibrosis. Vessels thick-walled. Some perivascular irritation and endarteritis.	Capsule slightly thickened. In- Intense ulcerative colitis. active. Vessels show endarteritis and hyaline walls.	Intense ulcerative colitis.	+		tis, considerable en- teritis. Diarrhœa and vomiting, intermittent for 6 weeks Some blood in stools,
98	r year and 3 months.	Increase of fibrous tissue in Glisson's cap- sule. Inactive. Vessels show irritation of endothelium and thickened hyaline walls. No tubercle.	Capsule thickened. Some active cell infiltration of deeper layers. Vessels thick-walled, and hyaline. No tubercle	Not examined	Partial		Empyema, Ill 2 months first with tuberculous broncho-pneumonia,
87	13 years	Some increase in fibrous tissue around lobules. Vessels show some thickening of walls but no endothelial activity.	Slight of char arte	Not examined	1		Acute nephritis, Sup- pression of urine,
90	т уем	Active fibrosis, but no endothelial activity in smaller arteries. Great fatty change.	active.	Not examined	1 -		Ill 6 weeks. Diarrhosa, with slime and blood. Entero-colitis and
89	2 months	Capsule thickened. Great increase of fibrous tissue in Glisson's capsules. Vessels thick-walled and hyaline. Endo-	5	Not examined	Partial	Active treat- ment for 3 weeks.	Enteritis for 11 weeks,
96	3 years and 9 months.	thelium active. Great fatty change. Capsule greatly thickened, old and recent fibrosis. Multilobular and pericellular vessels show fibrosis of coats, and end-	signs of irritation. Some increase in fibrous's troma. Vessels thick-walled, with active endothelium.	Old chronic fibroid change. Some ulceration of mu- cous membrane of co-	1		Acute anæmia. Only child, no miscarriage.
16	1 уеаг	arteritis. Perivascular irritation. Old and active fibrosis in Glisson's capsules. Some pericellular fibrosis. Vessels thick-walled. Endothelium active.	Slight increase in fibrous framework. Vessels as in liver, with marked periar- terial irritation.	lon. Not examined	1		

1	Chicago, Specialization	Histological Appearances.		Serum	Mercurial	Clinical History
200	Liver.	Spleen.	Bowel.	Reaction.	Treatment.	connect tristory.
Multilobu sels this walls.	Multilobular and pericellular fibrosis. Vessels thick-walled, with hyaline change in walls. Endothelium active.	Capsule greatly thickened. In- crease in fibrous stroma. Vessels as in liver.	Not examined	+		Ill 7 days, cough, vomit- ing, and epistaxis. Mit- ral regurgitation. No history of rheumatism.
4 years Old m	Old multilobular fibrosis. Very little evidence of activity. Old perioellular fibrosis. Vessels show endothelial activity	Capsule thickened. Old fibrosis Vessels thick-walled, hyaline. Endothelium of smaller vess	Not examined	+		Post-mortem; Dilated heart, no valvular lesion. Slight pericarditis.
z years and Mult	-0 0	ű	Not examined	+		III 6 days, tubercular meningitis.
High Range	irritation. Fibrosis in Glisson's capsules and peri- cellular, inactive for most part. Vessels show endothelial activity.	Capsule slightly thickened. In- crease of fibrous stroma. Vessels show activity of en- dothelium.	Not examined	Partial		Ill 6 weeks with meastes. Temperature 100°. Broucho - pneumonia, but only slight lesions.
Cap	Capsule not greatly thickened. Multi- lobular cirrhosis of varying age. Active pericellular fibrosis. Vessels show end-	Capsule thickened. Small vessels as in liver. Hyaline change in walls of larger ves-	Not examined	+		Acute nephritis to days after discharge from Diphtheria Hospital;
Old an	arteritis and fibrosis of outer coats. Old and active fibrosis in Glissonis capsules and pericellular. Vessels thick-walled, with active endothelium. Some fatty	sels. Capsule thickened. Old diffuse fibrosis. Vessels as in liver.	Not examined	+		preumonia. Death on the third day. Temperature never above 100°.
Mel	Multiobular fibrosis, old and active. Vessels thick-walled, with endarteritis.	Great thickening of capsules and fibrosis. Vessels show marked changes as in Tiver.	Not examined	+		Was at school 4 days be- fore death. Purulent meningitis. No focus
12 years Ext	Extreme grade of multilobular cirrhosis, also some pericellular fibrosis. Vessels thick-walled, with endarteritis.	Capsule thickened. Great in- crease in fibrous stroma. Vessels thick-walled, and endothelium very active.	Not examined	+		Old standing cirrhosis of liver with ascites. No history of alcohol. Death from toxemia ro
Cap E Cap	Capsule greatly thickened, slight fibrosis and active fibroblastic infiltration in Glisson's capsules. Vessel thick-walled Endothelium active.	Capsule thickened. Some in- crease in fibrous framework. Vessels show activity of en- dothelium and fibro-blastic infiltration of outer coats. Some hæmorrhage.				of an other performance of an other performance. Diphtheria. Death from toxæmia. No family history obtainable.