

No.	NAME	Age	Admitted	Died	Under the care of	Examination, at what time after death
25	John Applebee	13	Dec 11 <sup>th</sup> 1889	Jan 17 <sup>th</sup> 1890	D <sup>r</sup> . Whiphand	12 hours.

## MORBID APPEARANCES.

Height 4<sup>ft</sup> 2<sup>in</sup>  
Weight 23<sup>lb</sup> 12<sup>lbs</sup>.

Other muscles of abdominal wall.

Peritonitis and free gas in the peritoneum the gas in two collections are in a sealed capsule access the other in the general cavity

Perforation of old standing of the wall of transverse colon

Thorax  
No fluid  
adhesions to lower lobes.

Extreme emaciation - pale drawn face. Pigmentation & discoloration of skin over right half of the abdomen and in the right axilla. Rigor Mortis present but very feeble.

Abdomen - The muscles of the abdominal wall are rotten and discoloured - There is free gas in the peritoneal cavity, divided into two collections one above ~~the~~ between the upper surface of the liver and the under surface of the diaphragm and the rest in the general peritoneal cavity.

There is a very large quantity of stinking pus in the abdomen. All the organs are matted together by adhesions but not in an equal degree. The adhesions between the large intestine and the coils of the ileum both to the abdominal wall and themselves, or other abdominal viscera are far firmer than the adhesions of the peritoneum -

There is no possibility of properly separating the different structures and of being able to demonstrate the points properly in the abdomen. The following points however were ascertained.

1. That in the transverse colon six inches below the ileocecal valve in the anterior wall of the gut is a small round aperture 1/4 inch in diameter. The edges smooth and this condition is evidently of long standing.
2. That the purulent fluid in the abdomen is similar in the general cavity and in the subdiaphragmatic cavity access.
3. That the various organs of the abdomen are healthy, except for the thickening of their capsules or under adhesions due to peritonitis - No trace of tubercle found anywhere in the organs examined were. Liver, Spleen, Kidneys, stomach, large and small intestines.

Thorax No Pleuritic effusion.

Both lower lobes are firmly bound down to the diaphragm and to the abdominal wall. There are no

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2019.	Blow from a foil in epigastrium - Perforation of transverse colon Chronic Peritonitis - Pneumonia & location of bases of both Lungs.

King 17  
Nov 13.

## CASE.

History.

The patient was a schoolboy thirteen years of age. He was in good health till two months before his admission. Whilst playing he received a blow at the upper part of his abdomen. He suffered much pain at the time, but it did not last long, and the injury was forgotten till November 5<sup>th</sup> when he began to have abdominal pain and sickness. He had noticed vomiting no headache. He continued to have pain and at the end of December he noticed a painful lump on the upper part of his abdomen. The tumour increased in size.

Examination

When he came into the Hospital the boy was thin and anaemic and had dark circles under his eyes.



He complained of a swelling at the upper part of his abdomen. His appetite was bad, his tongue was nearly clean, his bowels were open. There was a rounded fluctuating tumour at the upper part of his abdomen, in the position marked in the diagram. The skin covering the upper part of the tumour was red.

M<sup>r</sup>. P. was called into consultation. He diagnosed an abscess and recommended that it should be opened. An incision was made and a quantity of pus was evacuated. The pus was curdy and by microscopic examination its smell was offensive. The house surgeon found that he could put his finger under the cutaneous opening, but he felt no rough bone. The film of the abscess, as he thought formed by fungus, and he was of opinion that neither the peritoneum nor the liver were implicated. The wound was dressed antiseptically and the boy was put on liquid diet and treated with Cod Liver oil plus a pint of iron and iodine of iron.

He soon passed steadily and suffered from cough and



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adhesions of the Right upper or middle lobes or of the left lower lobe.

Lungs Right upper and middle lobes appear healthy. Lower lobe. in great part consolidated - the consolidation being of a very pale colour - generally whitish but here and there there are more or less large caseating areas; there are no grey granulations to be seen - the lobe is also oedematous -

The condition of the Right lung, left lung, is similar to that of the right.

Left upper lobe natural - Left lower lobe adherent almost entirely solid, here and there the consolidation being yellowish and caseous.

Bronchial tubes to the right and left lower lobes are each carefully slit open. They are found to contain foul smelling mucus pus - but without trace of any muscular fibre or other fecal matter within them nor is the material contained in the tubes of a similar microscopic appearance to the pus in the abdomen - No abnormal communication through the diaphragm large enough to allow passage of any material fecal material either from intestine or peritoneal cavity into the lung, and I am very positive that there was no such opening, though the right half of the diaphragm, as the sub-diaphragmatic abscess allowed careful inspection of the right half to be made -

No Pericarditis. Heart natural except for puckering of the adjacent free borders of the right cusps.

The gland at the bifurcation of the trachea is large and contains two caseous tubercular foci

In the oesophagus immediately below this gland is <sup>myoal</sup> a scar ~~of~~ on the anti wall - the floor is occupied by cretaceous debris. ~~The~~ <sup>the</sup> direction of the scar looks as though it was the remains of an old ulcer leading from the gland at this direction which had descended into the trachea

F. G. Peirson

Consolidation partly caseous of lower lobes.

Foul smelling mucus pus in the bronchial tubes of lower lobes, but no fecal material found.

Wt of organs	
R. lung	13 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>
L.	16
Heart	3
Spleen	2
Kidneys	5
Liver	34

Old disease of Aortic valves.

Tubercle of gland at bifurcation of trachea.

Scar in oesophagus in neighbourhood of this gland

from pain in his hepatic region - His sputa (in January 5<sup>th</sup>) were watery and purulent and had "a very offensive smell suggestive of gangrene". On January 12<sup>th</sup> he had tympanitic resonance over the hepatic region (and lower part of his chest) - On the 5<sup>th</sup> there was dulness a pecunia over the same place. By the 5<sup>th</sup> his wound had healed.

He was now (Jan 5) treated with Crotona inhalations, and had Chloral draughts frequently (5<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup>) for sleeplessness.

He gradually lost flesh and complained of sleepiness in the day time.

His motions were offensive and he had diarrhoea.

He spat up four mucopurulent sanguineous mucus. His pulse was weak and quick. And his respiration laboured (6<sup>th</sup>)

On January 16<sup>th</sup> there was hyperaemia and bronchial sounds were amphoric at the base of his right lung. His sputa were more foul smelling than ever and had a fecal odour.

On the 17<sup>th</sup> he had very urgent dyspnoea and died.

Richard Sisley.