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Before I go on speaking further of these cases I want to demonstrate to you these other two cases. Then we will draw some contrasts. Here is a man of 44. Gives no history of articular rheumatism at all, but gives a history of specific disease of Chancra. Under the distension of the superficial veins the apex beat is felt in this portion, and when it is exaggerated you can feel it away down in the sixth space, away outside of the nipple. The lesion here to the left shows the enormous increase of cardiac dullness to the left, whereas the lesion close to the sternum off here shows very little increase to the right. No stasis of the liver at all. The inspection also shows, and very markedly now, because he has quieted down, the carotids and all pulsating strongly, and on examination of the pulse I find a very regular pulse, which strikes the finger with moderate abruptness. Falls here a little too quickly, but it is not distinctly a collapsing pulse, at least it would not impress you when you took hold of it as a collapsing pulse. When he raises his left arm above his heart the collapsing quality comes out a little better. The radial arteries roll under the finger. This one rolls under the finger, it is stiff. Now on auscultation of this man the heart tones are heard plainly at the apex. There is no thrill there, but I am conscious of a strange heaving impulse, and the second tone is a rather dull booming character. But going over toward the sternum I at once hear a dull first tone, which has a little short murmur with it, a very peculiar diastolic

murmur, so characteristic that anybody would recognize it at once as the aortic, and coming up here toward the aortic area the murmurs are very intense; the heart tones are feeble, largely obstructed by the murmur. The tones are heard in the neck, and the first has a murmur with it. Now this line running down here simply shows the area of propagation of the murmur. These murmurs are not heard behind.

Here is the man Craig, who has an aortic insufficiency somewhat different in its character. This man is fifty-two. He gives no history of articular rheumatism, but he does give a history of specific disease twenty-five years ago. His apex beat is displaced downward and outward. There is a little suggestion of a pre-systolic thrill about it. It is feeble, but it is present, and the apex beat is rather heaving; not so forcible as in the colored man. The area of the dullness is increased to the left of the nipple here and not much to the right. In the aortic area two dull or two distant booming tones accompanied each by a murmur, the systolic murmur passing upward into the neck, the diastolic murmur being transmitted downward along the sternum, and having with it the same peculiar tambour which I heard in the other. The murmurs are also heard at the apex beat here, both of them, whereas in the man with the aortic insufficiency they were not heard at the apex at all. This man's arteries are also stiff.

Now the points I want specially to bring out are these: That in the two younger men we probably have had a true inflammation or endocarditis as a cause of the lesion--an acute endocarditis in the one, with a predominating mitral sufficiency; a sub-acute endocarditis of a proliferative character in the man of twenty-five, with a predominating mitral stenosis. In these two men probably no endocarditis at all is responsible for the lesion. There is no history of anything to lead to endocarditis, for syphilis does not produce endocarditis, it produces chronic degenerative changes; and in these two men, both middle aged, the aortic disease can not strictly be called a

valvulitis. It is a part of the general degenerative process which is going on, the stiff arteries more or less, renal change probably, but the degeneration having affected chiefly the aortic of the heart. Now in these men these changes have developed slowly, and after a while through the aortic ring itself which has stretched as a result of the degenerative changes in the myocardium or in the aorta all the valves have become sclerotic, thickened, possibly perforated, which changes when examined microscopically are the changes of sclerosis and not inflammation, and slowly produced degenerative process which has led to some destruction of the valves and not to a true valvulitis or inflammation. Now we find two types of aortic insufficiency. One is mitral insufficiency. You find it in the young man usually who gives a distinct history of acute rheumatism. The other type is the sclerotic type, as illustrated in this man, and should be classed as a part of the arterio-sclerosis that is coming on. It is a part of vascular change. The heart is as a matter of fact, you understand, only a portion of the vascular system which has undergone special development. It is born of the same changes that the vessel coats may undergo fundamentally, although from a morbid standpoint somewhat different; but they are degenerative changes, and when you run across aortic insufficiency even in elderly men, without a history of inflammatory rheumatism, examine carefully the arterial walls and investigate the history of the case, and you will usually be able to determine to your satisfaction that the disease is really but a part of the general degenerative process which is going on.

Within the last year or two I have seen two exceedingly instructive examples. Some twelve years ago an old college friend of mine called on me because of palpitation. I could find absolutely nothing the matter with that man except that he was smoking to excess, and I told him so, and that the condition was probably functional, as we say, and not organic disease at the bottom of it. And another man about the same time called on me also complaining greatly of palpitation. His habits were different. He was not a smoker.

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This young man gives a history of articular rheumatism, and that you know is the most frequent of the etiological factors in the production of endocardial lesions. The changes which have been produced are very easily received in this young man. The apex beat is situated here. It is a strong

beat abroad. There is a short presystolic murmur. The area of the cardiac dullness has been very clearly outlined, lies to the left of the nipple, as shown by this line, and runs out here to the right of the sternum, as shown by a perpendicular line. On auscultation there is heard a very loud blowing systolic murmur, which perhaps fully replaced the first sound, nearly replaces the first sound, and is preceded by a very short rougher lowered pitched murmur. The second tone is dull and distant. The other tones, the other heart sounds are what we might expect. The heart's action is regular. This murmur is heard behind. Now ~~then~~ you know that the changes which the heart has undergone are of a compensatory nature, hypertrophy and dilatation. The others as shown by opposite character of the apex beat and the extent of the dullness to the left of the nipple, considerably hypertrophy and dilatation of the left ventricle. But the chief enlargement of the heart is to the right. The blood vessels are entirely soft in this young man. There is lack of sclerosis.

This man Welch is twenty-five, and this is the young man who said he was doing hard work up to four months ago. Considering the condition of the heart here it is almost incredible to me. His pulse is anything but regular or easy. It is a much less even pulse--more quiet just now, but under a little excitement it is very irregular and very rapid. His apex beat is situated there where we made a cross. There is a very distinct thrill. The thrill is a real purr, a cat's purr, and it runs up to a rather abrupt apex shock. Cardiac dullness is increased also to the left here and increased to the right. On auscultation there is a very loud pre-systolic murmur which runs up the first sound. The sounds are occasionally stopped and there is occasionally a suggestion of a murmur following the second tone. Now on percussion here the area of absent dullness is increased here across to the right border of the sternum, increased not to the left or upward. Deep-seated dullness is increased as shown by the lines we have marked, and

dullness is ~~xxxxx~~ somewhat increased to the left, passes outside the nipple, but not far. Behind the murmur is not distinct, as it was in the first case. It is faintly heard. The first sound is heard behind more distinctly than the murmur.

Now these two cases illustrate mitral disease, and illustrate one form of mitral regurgitation; that is, the first case does; and the second illustrates mitral stenosis predominating, although there probably is some regurgitation after. The mitral insufficiency in the young man is of distinct rheumatic origin. In this man we have no history of anything explaining the production of this mitral disease. Now it is not at all uncommon in eliciting the history of patients, that you will find a patient who shows mitral insufficiency, whether in the male or female, who will give you a distinct history of rheumatism, and usually of an acute attack, one or more acute attacks, whereas the patient, most commonly female of ^{who} course, _A displays predominating mitral stenosis, or pure mitral stenosis, will give you no history of rheumatism at all; and it has led to a good deal of discussion as to the etiology of ~~mitral~~ mitral stenosis. But the changes which take place are such as we would expect from a slowly induced and slowly progressing inflammation, a protective inflammation rather than a destruction inflammation of the changes at the mitral orifice in mitral stenosis are thus sclerosed, increase production of connective tissue, which produces a welding together in such a way as to narrow the orifice.

In the absence of definite history of previous acute infection in this young man, and finding the predominating mitral stenosis, I am forced to believe that the disease has been produced slowly, developed slowly, and without any knowledge on his part. Now it is singular that in this case he was able to work as arduously up to about two months ago as he did, because mitral stenosis is the disease par excellence which produces shortness of breath. It simply illustrates in my opinion that shortness of breath in

cardiac disease is not to be attributed solely or always mainly to the cardiac lesion itself. You will find patients with very pronounced mitral stenosis who will not acknowledge shortness of breath, or at least very insignificant to some other symptom, has decided palpitation, weakness, and so on. It is probable therefore that although pulmonary stenosis, congestion within the pulmonary vessels, is a factor in the production of dyspnea of effort, it does so not because of the stasis alone, but because the stasis leads to a rigidity on the part of the lungs. Chronic congestion of the lungs leads to a condition of more or less inelasticity, and if that rigidity is very pronounced in a patient, he will complain of shortness of breath. There is no question about it. You see all proposed symptoms and the objective signs of his heart lesion. In other cases, as I have just said, like this young man with a very pronounced lesion, they are able to stand more effort than we would expect. The effect of effort, however, is disastrous, because if an opening, as the left or right ventricle opening is narrowed, and the patient performs arduous physical efforts, such as are calculated to send the blood rushing to the more more rapidly and in larger amounts than the heart can take care of and send forward through this narrowed opening, I say if such things occur, the time will surely come when the heart will break down in its compensation. And a break occurs in the right heart, because it is the right heart which has to do the work,--the left oracle or right heart; in other words the parts of the heart back of the opening.

Now the young man with mitral insufficiency, when he entered ~~this~~ the Hospital, entered because of a fresh rheumatic attack. This other man entered the hospital because of a left side pain which was considered pleuratic. Now it may have been a true pleurisy, I can not say. There is no evidence of it today. But if it were pleurisy it is very suggestive of an infarct. Gerhardt has remarked that if pleurisy occurs in course of valvular disease it is usually due to an infarct. Now the action of this heart is tumultuous,

so it might readily be that under the influence of fresh infection ~~which~~ it has set up sub-acute intercarditis, a coagulum had been loosened, or that the stasis within the right heart had loosened a portion of a thrombus, and a pulmonary infarct had occurred with the production of pleurisy. However, inasmuch as he was not and I know that at Cook County Hospital the interns asperate almost every case of pleuritic effusion which is at all extensive, he suggests to my mind that perhaps his pain was not pleuritic at all, but perhaps ~~that~~ one of an intercostal neuralgias which are so common in cardiopathy, especially mitral disease.

Before I go on speaking further of these cases I want to demonstrate to you these other two cases. Then we will draw some contrasts. Here is a man of 44. Gives no history of articular rheumatism at all, but gives a history of specific disease of Chancere. Under the distension of the superficial veins the apex beat is felt in this portion, and when it is exaggerated you can feel it away down in the sixth space, away outside of the nipple. The lesion here to the left shows the enormous increase of cardiac dullness to the left, whereas the lesion close to the sternum off here shows very little increase to the right. No stasis of the liver at all. The inspection also shows, and very markedly now, because he has quieted down, the carotids and all pulsating strongly, and on examination of the pulse I find a very regular pulse, which strikes the finger with moderate abruptness. Falls here a little too quickly, but it is not distinctly a collapsing pulse, at least it would not impress you when you took hold of it as a collapsing pulse. When he raises his left arm above his heart the collapsing quality comes out a little better. The radial arteries roll under the finger. This one rolls under the finger, it is stiff. Now on auscultation of this man the heart tones are heard plainly at the apex. There is no thrill there, but I am conscious of a strange heaving impulse, and the second tone is a rather dull booming character. But going over toward the sternum I at once hear a dull first tone, which has a little short murmur with it, a very peculiar diastolic

murmur, so characteristic that anybody would recognize it at once as the aortic, and coming up here toward the aortic area the murmurs are very intense; the heart tones are feeble, largely obstructed by the murmur. The tones are heard in the neck, and the first has a murmur with it. Now this line running down here simply shows the area of propagation of the murmur. These murmurs are not heard behind.

Here is the man Craig, who has an aortic insufficiency somewhat different in its character. This man is fifty-two. He gives no history of articular rheumatism, but he does give a history of specific disease twenty-five years ago. His apex beat is displaced downward and outward. There is a little suggestion of a pre-systolic thrill about it. It is feeble, but it is present, and the apex beat is rather heaving; not so forcible as in the colored man. The area of the dullness is increased to the left of the nipple here and not much to the right. In the aortic area two dull or two distant booming tones accompanied each by a murmur, the systolic murmur passing upward into the neck, the diastolic murmur being transmitted downward along the sternum, and having with it the same peculiar tambour which I heard in the other. The murmurs are also heard at the apex beat here, both of them, whereas in the man with the aortic insufficiency they were not heard at the apex at all. This man's arteries are also stiff.

Now the points I want specially to bring out are these: That in the two younger men we probably have had a true inflammation or endocarditis as a cause of the lesion--an acute endocarditis in the one, with a predominating mitral sufficiency; a sub-acute endocarditis of a proliferative character in the man of twenty-five, with a predominating mitral stenosis. In these two men probably no endocarditis at all is responsible for the lesion. There is no history of anything to lead to endocarditis, for syphilis does not produce endocarditis, it produces chronic degenerative changes; and in these two men, both middle aged, the aortic disease can not strictly be called a

valvulitis. It is a part of the general degenerative process which is going on, the stiff arteries more or less, renal change probably, but the degeneration having affected chiefly the aortic of the heart. Now in these men these changes have developed slowly, and after a while through the aortic ring itself which has stretched as a result of the degenerative changes in the myocardium or in the aorta all the valves have become sclerotic, thickened, possibly perforated, which changes when examined microscopically are the changes of sclerosis and not inflammation, and slowly produced degenerative process which has led to some destruction of the valves and not to a true valvulitis or inflammation. Now we find two types of aortic insufficiency. One is mitral insufficiency. You find it in the young man usually who gives a distinct history of acute rheumatism. The other type is the sclerotic type, as illustrated in this man, and should be classed as a part of the arterio-sclerosis that is coming on. It is a part of vascular change. The heart is as a matter of fact, you understand, only a portion of the vascular system which has undergone special development. It is born of the same changes that the vessel coats may undergo fundamentally, although from a morbid standpoint somewhat different; but they are degenerative changes, and when you run across aortic insufficiency even in elderly men, without a history of inflammatory rheumatism, examine carefully the arterial walls and investigate the history of the case, and you will usually be able to determine to your satisfaction that the disease is really but a part of the general degenerative process which is going on.

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THE ANNUAL SESSION

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International Medical Alliance

Sept. 17-20, 1907.

Battle Creek, Mich.

LABORATORY INSTRUCTION

The Clinical Laboratories of the Battle Creek Sanitarium and American Medical Missionary College will be open for any desiring personal instruction in the latest methods and technique. The physicians in charge, with their assistants will be glad to receive visitors, especially at the times indicated in the program. The forenoons will be devoted to this work.

MEDICAL SESSIONS

At 3:30 P.M. daily the regular Medical Sessions will convene in Room 17--College Building--Physicians, Medical Students and Nurses are invited to these Meetings.

MISSIONARY MEETINGS

Each evening at 7:30 a missionary meeting will be held in the Sanitarium Chapel. All members of the Sanitarium Family and the general public are invited to attend these rousing talks by such well known Missionaries.

Tuesday--Sept. 17, 1907.

2:30 P.M., Room 17 College Bldg.

1. David Paulson-----Intestinal Toxins
2. Dr. A. J. Read-----Food Adulteration
3. F. J. Otis-----Stricture of the Esophagus and the clinical di-
lation of the Cardiac orifice. (Demonstration of
a case)
4. M. A. Mortenson-----Differential Diagnosis between the continued
Fever of Lues and Tuberculosis.
5. Elsie Martinson-----Diet and treatment of Typhoid Fever.

7:30 P.M.--Sanitarium Chapel.

Dr. Creegan, Secretary of American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions,

A trip around the World and the Missions Visited.

Wednesday Sept. 18, 1907.

11 A. M. to 1 P.M. College Laboratory.

Practical work in the Fecal Laboratory.

12 to 5 P.M., Sanitarium Surgery

Surgical Clinic. -- Dr. Kellogg

7:30 P.M., Sanitarium Chapel.

Dr. Van Allen of India.

Dr. Forsythe of Louisville, Ky.

Dr. Margaret Lewis of India

Dr. Ingersoll of India.

Thursday-- Sept. 19, 1907.

11 A.M. to 1 P.M. College Laboratory.

Practical work in the Gastric, Bacteriological and Blood Laboratories.

2:30 P.M. Room 17, College Building.

1. J. F. Morse-----Clinical report of three cases of Sarcoma, of Ileum, of Eyelid (Melanotic) of Tibia.
2. M. V. Dryden-----Clinical report of a case, with demonstration.
3. Carrie Staines-----Pelvic Massage--with a review of cases.
4. Loiza Elwell-----Delivery and the Puerperium, with a practical demonstration.
5. Jean Whitney-Morse-----Clinical report of a case of Malignant Endocarditis with observations of opsonic index.
6. W. F. Martin-----Physiologic treatment of Vesiculitis.

7:30 P.M., Sanitarium Chapel.

Girard A. Bailey (Superintendent of the Christian Missionary Alliance)

West Ladies.

Dr. Carolyn Geisel-----Review of the years Chautauque Work.

Friday Sept. 20, 1907.

11 A.M. to 1 P.M. College Laboratory.

Practical Demonstrations in the Urinary Laboratory.

2:30 P.M., Room 17, College Building

1. W. H. Riley-----Clinical Report of Cases.
2. Howard Rand-----Arterio-sclerosis.
3. E. L. Eggleston-----Interstitial Nephritis; observations on the effect
of various measures on the Urinary output.
4. E. D. Vince-----The care of the Teeth and its relation to other dis-
eases.
5. J. F. Byington-----Question box on the Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.
6. H. B. Farnsworth-----Spotted fever of Western Montana.

7:30 P.M. Sanitarium Chapel.

Mr. Marshall Hudson, Syracuse, N.Y. (originator of the Baraca Bible Study
plan)

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Frank Van Allen, M. D.,

Lecture at the Sanitarium Chapel, Battle Creek, Mich., September 19, 1907., at 8:00 P. M., in connection with the meeting of the International Medical Alliance.

Dr. C. C. Creegan: I count it a very great pleasure tonight to speak a brief word in introducing my friend, Dr. Van Allen, who has been one of the highly honored and greatly beloved missionaries of the Board which I represent, for eighteen long years in southern India. A graduate of Yale University, with promises of great usefulness indeed in the home land, having the missionary spirit, he responded to a call from our Board to go forth to that needy field, and under that burning sky of Southern India. In my tour around the world, if I envied any man, it was this man who claims that he is not an orator at all. Perhaps he is not; but when I heard the eloquent words that were spoken by his colleagues in regard to what he is doing there, how he had more than any other living man broken down prejudice on the part of the proud Brahmins and Hindoos, and that he had access into the homes of princes and governors and all alike; and when I saw the beautiful building which I threw on the screen last night, that splendid hospital building, the prettiest hospital building it was my pleasure to see in all India, perhaps, though perhaps not the largest; and you will remember I told you last night that was built not by contributions from America, no dollar of it coming from any church or any individual in this country, but it was the gift of the Hindoos, practically all of them non-Christians, given to this man who was loved by them, honored by them, who had rendered so much service to them, to their race, and it was turned over to the American Board which I represent without a dollar of expense, so as to be ours for ever simply because of the services this man rendered to those people, labors of love. When I learned of that and went through his hospital and saw his work there, I felt I ought to have

carried out my original plan of my student days when I commenced the study of medicine myself but turned ~~in~~ aside ~~in~~ for theology,--I felt I ought to have carried out my original plan to prepare myself for medical work so that I could have had the highest honor to be conferred upon any servant of Christ, to my mind--to be a medical missionary, to go forth to the land of China, of India and give myself to the ministry of healing among those people, and while doing that do just what is being done in Dr. Van Allen's hospital every single day,--telling them about the great Physician, the One who heals the soul as well as the body. It gives me very great pleasure to introduce to you Dr. Van Allen.

Dr. Frank Van Allen: Eighteen years in the jungles of India plus never having been a public speaker any way is very poor preparation for addressing you, but if you will be patient with me, I will try to stumble along for half an hour or so telling you about our medical missionary work in South India.

In 1834 the American Board established the Madura Mission in Madura, South India, and from the beginning of that mission the Board and the workers, doctor and all, have always believed in making the medical work prominent because it was following the footsteps of Christ, and we have always had a little dispensary building in Madura and a stock of medicines and some one to give them out. Very many years ago, from the very beginning of the establishment of the mission, a little dispensary building was used there. The medical work had an uphill time of it just the same as the other forms of mission work had, because the natives did not believe in the white man's medicine any more than they believe in the other things the white men brought to them, but this dispensary building gradually had a little addition here and one there until in 1888 when we went there, this building was quite a patchwork of various buildings, and a good deal of medical work had been carried on in those years; and many were the lives saved and much the suffering relieved in the name of the Master.

We found there at that time when we went there, four men and a lady doctor, Dr. Pauline Root(?) whom very many here may know and a good many at least know of. She had been there then about four years, and she was just then scraping together some money to put up a hospital for women and children. That is standing on the Mission compound now, just opposite where the little old dispensary was. She is not now in India and has not been for some years, but I am located there with Dr. Parker, our lady doctor who is now in charge of that hospital, and she treats annually about 15,000 or 16,000 ~~many~~ patients. But I will not speak much of her work, but mostly of my own being better acquainted with it.

I labored on in this little patchwork of buildings doing the best I could for about eight years, or seven years, and in that little building made friends, of course, with some native people, and the work began to grow until the little building was so crowded it was not suitable, and I wrote to Boston and said, "I must have a new hospital. They wrote back and said they were very sorry they hadn't any money, and we must do the best we could with what we had. When a church or anything really must go up, some way or other it does go up. By a lucky turn, the money was contributed by merchants in Southern India and from even as far away as New Zealand, Australia, Penang, Singapore and all those places. Those merchants are rich and they are very generous; and a number of native princes also took an interest in it, and the money was all given and this hospital was put up. It cost together with its equipment about 50,000 rupees, that is, \$17,000; but that does not quite represent what the hospital would be to one who does not know India; because a day's labor in India costs from ~~three~~ ^{eight} to sixteen cents a day--four to eight annas, and when the material was gotten out with that labor and the hospital was built, my estimate is that it is a building which would cost in this country about \$100,000.

To carry on the hospital work costs about Rs. 12,000 a year, and of

that the American Board gives Rs. 1000, and the natives give Rs. 11,000; and in addition to that we are getting up a little endowment, and we have Rs. 10,000 in the bank, and that is all given by the native people. That is just a brief history of the hospital as it stands now.

Perhaps I might go over a day's routine in the hospital in order that all can see just what naturally happens in a day's work in the hospital. I usually go to the hospital about quarter past or half past seven in the morning. Of course you know India is a very, very hot climate, and there is a great deal of travelling done in the night on account of the heat, and the result of it is that on the front veranda of the hospital usually there are a lot of patients waiting, and as I approach the hospital, I always take particular pains to speak a few words to them, because I know they are suffering, and probably have been travelling a long ways to get there, so I have a few words with them first then go to the in-patients. We make a difference in our hospital with the in-patients and the out-patients. These out-patients come and get a little medicine, take it home, and come again the next day. The in-patients are those who are more critically ill, and they stay in the hospital day and night, and there they are all the time; and we feel that our first duty is to the in-patients. So, after a moment or two I go to the wards usually, and do dressings, etc., that are necessary, and when we are through downstairs we go upstairs, and by the time we are through with all the in-patients, about an hour or perhaps an hour and a half has elapsed. Then we go downstairs, go into a room we call the treatment room which is for dressings etc. for out-patients. We see many patients there, and do dressings and things that are rather hard work, but of course pleasant; and during this time the religious work has been carried on by a man, one of the native helpers who has given his whole time to teaching the Bible to the natives. After while I go out, and when I pass my evangelist, I just stop and inquire what he has been talking to the people about, and just by such words as I can, just

just such things as I can I try to enforce his words with the people, and we have religious teaching going on all the time,. And after the work with the out patients is done he goes to the in-patients; and so he works--spends his whole time that way.

After getting through with the treatment room, I usually go out and sit down at the prescription table, and write prescriptions for those who have not been attended to. I have one man, a medically qualified man who is a graduate of the government medical college, and a very good man he is, and a man of very good experience; and while we have been doing this work all around, he has been treating a good many out patients. Then I sit down and treat such out-patients as might be serious cases or have come specially to see me. By that time it is about eleven o'clock, and breakfast time. Then in the afternoon work begins about three o'clock and goes on until about six o'clock in the evening. By that time, of course, in the tropics it is dark. That constitutes a day's work. Of course mornings in the treatment room, we do a few minor operations; but when there is a major operation to be done, two o'clock in the afternoon is the time selected for it, because it is the hot part of the day and the people are all quiet, and there is nobody to be attended to, to be looked after, and we have time for doing the major operations

Now, in regard to eye operations, we do not do in the hospital very many eye operations; and nearly all the eye operations which we do are on the outside of the eye, on the cornea of the eye, and almost always include pterygium, or opening canaliculi, or something of that sort. I am so busy that I ~~have~~ am not able to keep up with the delicate work of operating on the eye. Another reason is that in Madras there is an excellent government eye hospital and a very good man in charge of it, and he does not do anything but operate on eyes all the time, and he told me one day of his record--it sounds rather big but I believe it,--he told me he had done fifty-one cataract operations in one morning.

That is a pretty large number of that particular operation, but it shows how wonderfully skillful he is; so I send all my eye cases down to him for operations on the eyes. I specially mention that in reply to a question asked yesterday in regard to it.

In regard to food for the patients: we used to have a great deal of trouble about feeding the patients because they are all different castes, and it is a very hard thing to feed a lot of people who are of different castes, because a man won't eat food which has not only been cooked by a person of a lower caste than he--it may be cooked by a person of higher caste,--but if anybody of a lower caste has even seen it; and we used to have a great deal of trouble about feeding the patients. We have simplified that very much, I think. There are those that are poor and have to be looked after, and of course the great mass of our people are quite poor. We give to each patient three annas, six cents a day, and with that he will go into the bazaar, or send his wife. The wife or daughter accompanies the patient usually, because then he is much more satisfied, and does not get so homesick, and usually his wife or his daughter takes this money and goes out into the bazaar, buys the necessary things, usually some form of rice, because of course you know the people of India are great grain eaters, and she goes there, prepares it in one of the numerous little kitchens which we have,--small places fitted up for their style of cooking; and if any one is not there to look after his food, like a wife or a daughter, to prepare his food, some of the compounders go out and get it in one of the numerous clubs. Madras is a town of about 100,000 people, and there are a good many clubs where people of different castes,--a Brahman club, and all sorts of clubs presided over by people of different castes, and the patient will have brought to him food prepared in a club, and the natives are very, very good about taking their diet prescription. If you are looking after a native and do not prescribe diet, he will think you do not know your business; and he will stick most closely to whatever diet you prescribe,

and that is very largely because the native doctors have brought him up that way. They are very, very strict about diet. So almost all the trouble we have or might have about diet is settled by that three annas a day. Of course, in typhoid fever and cases of that sort where a pure diet of milk is necessary, it costs rather more, and we simply make a special case of that; but we do not have very much trouble about diet. I mention that in answer to a question that was asked yesterday in regard to feeding patients.

In regard to fees, we do not charge in our hospital, and I think it is an ideal thing to do in medical mission work. We do not charge any fees at all. We do not have any scale of charges, and the great mass of patients who come to us are so poor it would be perfectly silly to talk about charging them anything; but fortunately we have some rich people, and it is a custom in India, as it is here, that the rich pay for the poor; and always when a patient is leaving the hospital, if I believe--of course it is very easy to know whether a man is rich or poor.--I say, "Do you want to give something to the hospital?" Of course he may say, "I am a poor man, and I can not do it", and I do not say another word. But if I have not made a mistake, he will say, "Yes, I want to give something", and he will give Rs. 10, or Rs. 50, sometimes give very large sums; but whatever they give we take it and take it thankfully, and the amount which they give is enough practically to carry on the hospital; but we do not charge any fees.

There is one thing I ought to mention because it is rather an important matter, I think, in the consideration of a hospital in tropical lands, especially in lands ridden by castes as we have it there; that is, this hospital is arranged entirely or principally ~~of~~ in small wards giving each man a room to himself. If any of us were to go to a hospital to be treated, we would like to have a room by ourselves, and especially is that true in the case of a man who has belief in caste. We have twenty small wards in the hospital in addition, of course, to all the many rooms, and if we should give each man a ward and a bed to himself,

of course we could accommodate only twenty, but if we put two in a ward, we double that ~~xxx~~ number, and so on up to sixty. But I do not like to put three in a room if we can help it; but sometimes if a man really objects to having a man of a different caste in his room, we can not object, and it sometimes makes a little trouble.

Now in regard to the diseases of India, you might be interested to hear a little something in regard to some of the diseases which we have to put up with, and to begin with, there are three diseases we do not have, and you will be very much astonished, and pleased when you know that in India--of course the People of South India only,--not of North India in the least, because I do not know anything about that. There are three diseases we do not have in South India--scarlet fever, diphtheria, and croup. These are three grand diseases to be rid of, but in place of them are three other diseases we do have and which we have to contend with all the time. One of them is plague, another cholera, and the third leprosy. Perhaps you will be interested to hear a few words about these three diseases. Of course, these are awful big subjects and have to be treated very briefly. Plague is a disease of rats just exactly the same as hydrophobia is a disease of dogs, and if you kill off all the rats you will stop the plague, just as you will stop hydrophobia by killing off all the dogs; and the agency of transfer of plague from the rat to the human being is by means of infected fleas. That is, the flea will bite the rat, and of course the rat will get plague, and the plague stays on the rat, I presume, until it dies, and the rat comes to the human being and he gets plague because he is infected by the rat. That is the means of its transfer. This experiment has been done very many times, and ~~xxx~~ many others like it, and it is very conclusive. In one experiment, six rats were caught, put into a flea-proof receptacle of some sort, and placed in a house where there had been deaths from plague, and six other healthy rats were put into an open cage placed beside them in the same house where there had been death from

plague. At the end of two weeks, all the rats which had been protected from fleas were healthy and well and the other six were dead from plague, which is a very good evidence of the fact that the unprotected rats were bitten by fleas. Now before this fact was known, you would be astonished to know what measures were taken by the British government in India to stamp out the plague in the matter of pulling down buildings and burning up bedding, taking tiles off the roof, digging up floors, putting in carbolic lotion, bichlorid of mercury lotion, etc. They thought the germs were very, very deeply embedded in the ground, or at least that they inhabited the ground to considerable depth. Now it is known to be a matter as simple as this, that now we know the truth and see the reason for very many things that we did not know before. If you ~~see~~ find a dead rat in the house, the first thing to do is to pack up and go as quick as you can go; and the worst thing you can do is to touch that rat with anything. The only thing to do to the dead rat is to pour alcohol or kerosene on the rat and touch a match to it. In India there are no floors made of wood, but they are all made of cement, etc; so it is a perfectly safe proceeding to burn up the rat as nearly as possible. But even before this fact was known, of the propagation of the plague by means of fleas,--everybody as soon as he sees a dead rat in his house,--he will get out at once, because he knows if he doesn't he will come down with it shortly afterwards.

In this connection you will probably remember that when we had the war with Spain we took possession of Havana, and yellow fever was rampant, and the United States doctors took hold to try to find out the means of the conveyance of yellow fever from one man to another, and it was discovered that it was the mosquito that had bitten a person who had yellow fever, and then later had bitten a person who was healthy; and this experiment was done under the auspices of the United States Army in Cuba. A shed was built and a partition was put through it,

and it was screened against mosquitoes, and on one side old blankets and clothes and things of that sort were all piled in there that had been taken off the people who died with yellow fever, and the other side was left perfectly clean. Volunteers were called for from the army who were willing to try to prove this matter, and six men volunteered to go into that place and stay for several days and sleep on those old coats and blankets; and on the other side where it was perfectly clean, six other men volunteered to go in and to be bitten by infected mosquitoes, and of those six men who slept on those blankets and coats and those who were bitten by infected mosquitoes, five out of the six came down with yellow fever, and two of them died. The medical journals said no greater heroes ever lived than those two men who gave up their lives to prove this matter. The fact then was established that it was given by means of mosquitoes, and of course you know there are very many kinds of mosquitoes, I believe 346 different kinds of mosquitoes; and it is the Culex mosquito which ^{carries} ~~causes~~ yellow fever, and the Anopheles mosquito which carries malarial fever, of course, as is very well known.

Now there is another disease we have to contend with. The plague germ is rather an interesting thing to look at through the microscope. It is what is called bi-polar, that is, two ends. They grow in huge numbers, swarming millions on a slide which can be seen under a microscope.

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Dr. Morse: The Doctor has come to us so alive with interest in the thrilling story he has told us that I fancy none of us have taken to heart the days and nights of weariness and trial the Doctor has gone through before this story came so freely from his lips; and I am sure if the Doctor could tell us some of the heart experiences he has had, it would bring to our minds not only the joy that we share with him tonight in being able to listen to his story of victory for Christ, for Christian missionary work in India, there would be brought to our hearts the sorrows that he has seen, the sorrows that our Father in heaven sees daily, sorrows, perhaps, that are pleading for some one here to heal; and it is my prayer tonight that the words of this story of triumph in missionary work that Dr. Van Allen has told us may be an inspiration to us. Some of us perhaps are preparing to go to some field; some of us who have not yet prepared ought to prepare and I trust that as we have the opportunity of hearing these interesting words, that the very conviction that the good Father has for each of us may be brought home to our hearts.

Eld. Tenney: I would like to ask that the profit of this occasion may be further heightened by hearing a few words from Dr. Ingersoll.

Dr. Ingersoll: I am certainly glad to be here tonight and to listen to these words we have been permitted to listen to. I can tell you tonight that eight years of the most enjoyable portion of my life have been spent in India; that I have no regret for having gone to that country, and of having worked there. It is true that my work has been somewhat different from what Dr. Van Allen's has. It has been for a different class of people than his has. But it has been in the same needy field; and tonight the people of India appeal to me more than they ever did before. I have more of an interest in that country than I did before I went to it, and I am more anxious to go back to it than I was to go in the first place, and I believe that is the experience of every one who has ever gone to a mission field to work. Their interest in it increases rather than lightening if they have had the true missionary spirit. It is true that there are those who sometimes go who lose their interest. Perhaps they did not know what they were going to. But I am glad it is so. I am glad that our interest in missions increases by experience in that work, and I do wish, and I really could wish no more pleasant experience to any one of you than for you to heed the call to go to some mission field and to spend your life in work for those who are in so great need.

The work that we have been associated with in Calcutta started a little over ten years ago by Dr. O. C. Place. He went there with his wife and attempted work in the City of Calcutta, something on the same plan as the work which has been done by Dr. Van Allen. The conditions in Calcutta are such that it is difficult to do work for the native people, to gain their confidence without first having the confidence of the Europeans. And having started this work for the poorer class of the native people in Calcutta, Dr. Place found it very difficult to do work for the better educated class of people; not that his having worked for the native people hindered, but they had not the confidence. The better educated

class of the native people did not have the confidence in the work because the Europeans didn't, and didn't take part in it. It is different from what it would be in a district in the country or in smaller cities similar to where Dr. Van Allen's work has been located. On the other hand, no doubt if Dr. Place had continued in that same line of work for a long time, he might have established a similar work for the native people right there in Calcutta; but he was anxious to make his work self-supporting, and in order to do this, he moved to the European portion of the town and opened treatment rooms for the Europeans and the better educated natives, that is, those of the natives who would come to the treatment rooms and take treatments and who would pay for them and could pay for them. He conducted work in these treatment rooms something less than a year before my wife and I went there to assist him in his work.

Just previous to our going there, they rented a house in a good locality in the City of Calcutta, and intended that to be the small beginning of a Sanitarium; and it was only a small house. It could accommodate eight patients with rooms downstairs for the helpers; and my wife and I lived in the house, and there were some nurses there also who occupied rooms downstairs, and we had the upstairs rooms for patients. We continued our work there for a year, and we had a very good experience there. We had the house well filled, and the treatment rooms were well patronized. After we had been there for about a year, it seemed advisable to open a larger house, and so a house was engaged in a better portion of the city, and we started work there. That was in May 1900. I may state first, that the work was not of course self-supporting at all the first year, and it was not self-supporting for some years after that. We had a heavy expense and a large pay roll, and we were not able to meet our expenses. But after a little time in this new place, we were able to make our work self-supporting. We all of us were very much grieved to have Dr. Place leave the work there in Calcutta, because he had a good influence and had quite a reputation as a surgeon in Cal-

cutta, and even up to the present time, the people always speak very favorably of his work there in Calcutta. He left a good influence behind him. From the fall of 1902--I think it was the fall of 1902--we went on what we called a self-supporting basis, and from that time we have continued to pay our expenses or to be responsible for them. It is a fact we did run behind at ~~that~~ ^{one} time and lost a little bit, but we still hold the responsibility of paying those debts. The work has gradually increased and has the confidence of the people of Calcutta, and as we have gained the confidence of the Europeans and of the better class of natives,--as we have gained the confidence of the Europeans we have also gained the confidence of the better class of native people, and we had, during the last two years, my wife and I find there, so far as our number of patients is concerned, the patronage is about equally divided between Europeans and the Native people. The indoor patients were mostly Europeans or Eurasians--that is a cross between natives and Europeans. They constitute our indoor patients proper. We have an institution now where we can accommodate about twenty indoor patients comfortably besides some helpers. We have a good set of treatment rooms. Really, our treatment rooms will compare favorably with any treatment rooms I have ever seen in any of our small sanitariums, for instance, with those in Friedensau, or Skodsborg, or even Cesterham, England,--our treatment rooms I think are even better than theirs, and we have a very good patronage in the rooms, and we hope that the work may continue to be self-supporting, and more than that, be able to do more in the missionary work way; that is, to open up other institutions of a similar nature, but perhaps on a smaller scale. That is the idea out there and it is hoped that it can be done.

There are some things of interest in connection with our experience in dealing with patients in India that Dr. Van Allen perhaps has experienced, and perhaps would have told of if he had taken more time; but there is one thing especially, and that is the difficulty in dealing with lady patients. It is very

difficult for a gentleman doctor to have anything to do with lady patients, especially with those of the better castes, the better classes. They object, of course, to being examined by a gentleman at all, and I have often gone to examine a patient and had them ~~and~~ ~~xx~~ ~~is~~ ~~at~~ with their maid standing around holding a curtain that I might not see them. I could reach under the curtain and feel their pulse, but they would cover up their faces while I made examinations of the abdomen, for instance,--a thing very peculiar to one who has never been to those countries. But there is a field there for women, for lady doctors and for nurses. They can go into these homes, they can deal with the women, they can speak to them, not only about their physical condition, but about their spiritual condition, and that is an open field for women, for more women than are ready to go, I am sure, and it is to be hoped that the number who are engaged in that line of work may be increased, because these women have a powerful influence among their communities. They exert a great deal of influence. It is not an uncommon thing to hear a man say, "I have no objection; I am not so particular about the caste, but my wife or my mother objects, and I can not disregard her feelings", and so you see they have an influence, and they have a powerful influence just as women do in every country, and it is through that channel that a great work may be done, can be done if the women are ready to go to the help of their sisters in these dark lands, and as I said this afternoon here, we must remember that the Indians, the people of East India have a special claim upon us. They are relatives of ours. They came from the same stock as we did; that is, those who live in the plains, the Brahmins and the Hindoos proper come from the same stock as we do, and the same old breeding ground that was the home of their ancestors was the home of ours; so we should remember them, and do for them perhaps more than we are inclined to do for others. At least, one who has been in India feels that they would like to see more done for that country perhaps than for others. We do not want to be selfish, but I can not help but feel a special interest in India tonight. I thank you for your attention. (Applause.)

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Monday December 18th., 1905.

Morning Session. 9.30 A.M. - 12.00 M.

Devotional Services.

Secretary's Report.

Appointment of Committees.

Letters of Greeting read from Doctors Thomason, Lockwood, DeForest, Olsen and Keichline.

Italy as a Field for Medical Missionary Work. By Chas. T. Everson/
Paper read by Dr. Mabel Howe-Otis/

Latin Europe as a Medical Missionary Field. By Dr. P. A. DeForest/
Paper read by Dr. S. P. S. Edwards.

Labor Saving Ideas in connection with smaller Sanitariums. By
Dr. S. P. S. Edwards. Moline. Ill.

Afternoon Session. 3 - 5 P.M.

Sanitary Conditions in Japan. By Dr. S. A. Lockwood. Tokio/ Japan.
Paper read by Dr. Maria Edwards/

Reports of several interesting Cases. By Dr. Geo. Thomason.
Paper read by Dr. C. C. Nicola.

Hypertrophy of the Prostate Gland and its conservative Treatment.
By Dr. W. T. Thornton. Chicago. Ill.

The Ottawa Tent Colony. By Dr. David Paulson. Hinsdale. Ill.

Educational Work for the Patients in our Sanitariums. By Dr. A. J.
Read. Battle Creek. Mich.

Evening Session. 7 - 9 P.M.

Arthritis Deformans. A Comparison of Joint Inflammations. By
Dr. C. C. Nicola. Melrose. Mass.

Medical Study in Edinburgh. By Dr. R. H. Harris/ Battle Creek.
Mich.

Tuesday December 19th., 1905.

Morning Session. 9.30 A.M. - 12 M.

Devotional Services.

Clinic on the Diseases of the Thoracic Viscera. By Dr. Robert H.
Babcock. Chicago. Ill.

Diagnosis and Treatment, and the Relation they sustain to each
other. By Dr. T. J. Evans. Colorado Springs. Colo.

Vital Resistance. By Dr. Herbert Ossig. Battle Creek. Mich/

Afternoon Session. 4 P.M. Cook County Hospital.

Surgical Clinic. By Dr. A. E. Halstead.

Evening Session. 7 - 9 P.M.

Some Practical Lessons to be learned from the recent Researches of Metchnikoff. By Dr. David Paulson. Hinsdale. Ill.

The Treatment of Pneumonia. By Dr. O. M. Hayward. Nashville. Tenn

Wednesday December 20th., 1905.

Morning Session. 9.30 A.M. - 12.00 M.

Devotional Services.

The Nitrogen Balance. By Dr. E. H. Risley. Battle Creek. Mich.

The Etiology and Diagnosis of Chronic Gastritis and Neuroses of the Stomach. By Dr. Chas. E. Stewart. Battle Creek. Mich.

The Treatment of Gastric Disorders. By Dr. Elmer L. Eggleston. Battle Creek. Mich.

The Use of the X-Ray in the Study of the Hollow Viscera. By Dr. W. T. Martin. Battle Creek. Mich.

Afternoon Session. 3 - 5 P.M.

Cancer of the Digestive Tract with a Report of 20 cases which have come under Observation. By Dr. W. R. Simmons. Mt. Tabor. Ore.

The Cause and Diagnosis of Diseases of the Nervous System. By Dr. W. H. Riley. Battle Creek. Mich.

Evening Session. 7 - 9 P.M.

Some of the Practical Lessons to be learned from the Researches of Pawlow and Cannon. By Dr. David Paulson. Hinsdale. Ill.

Colon Diseases. Dr. J. H. Kellogg. Battle Creek. Mich.

Thursday December 21st., 1905.

Morning Session. 9.30 A.M. - 12.00M.

Devotional Services.

Myxoedema, with a Report of Two Cases. By Dr. Margaret Banta. Battle Creek. Mich.

The X-Ray in the Treatment of Lupus and Epithelioma, with a Report of Cases. By C. P. Farnsworth. M.D., Madison. Wis.

Gun Shot and other Wounds of the Intestines, with Report of Cases. By Dr. D. C. Ross. Keene. Texas.

Simplicity in Surgical Technique. By Dr. F. J. Otis. Chicago. Ill.

Afternoon Session. 3 - 5 P.M.

Ectopic Gestation. By Dr. Jean Vernier. Detroit. Mich.

Eclampsia. By Dr. Mary V. Dryden. Battle Creek. Mich.

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Evening Session. 7 - 9 P.M.

Gastro-Enterostomy, its Indications, Method, After-care, and recent Progress in the Surgical Procedure. By Dr. J. H. Kellogg. Battle Creek. Mich.

Surgical and Non-surgical Treatment of Floating and Palpable Kidneys. By Dr. H. F. Rand. Boulder. Colo.

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