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CLINICAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL OF MIDWIFERY AND GYNAECOLOGY OF HONG KONG UNIVERSITY.

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By courtesy of the Director of Medical Services the work of this Clinic is carried out at the Tsan Yuk Hospital (T.Y.H.) and the Government Civil Hospital (G.C.H.). The former contains 45 obstetric and 15 gynaecological beds, whereas the latter has 16 obstetric and 8 gynaecological beds.

The classification of the Obstetric section of this report is the same as that adopted by Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital, London, and is the one suggested by the Committee for Unification of Obstetric Hospital Reports which was appointed by the Royal Society of Medicine. I wish to record my thanks and appreciation to the Medical Committee of Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital for allowing me to use their system of classification.

My predecessor, Professor R. E. Tottenham, vacated the Chair in May, 1935, and until my arrival in November of that year Dr. Pillai acted as Head of the Clinic. The Chair was founded by the Rockefeller Foundation in 1924 and Professor Tottenham was appointed to it in that year. I should like to take this opportunity of congratulating him on the present position of this Clinic and to state that the prestige with which it is held is due in large measure to his guidance, organisation and teaching. As a newcomer to the East my task has been considerably alleviated by the fact that the Clinic was founded by one who has not failed to impress upon his colleagues the principles of and the modern attitude towards Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

I wish to express my thanks to the Director and members of the Government Medical Department, Matrons, Sisters and Nurses for their co-operation.

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OBSTETRIC DEPARTMENT.

During the year 1936 there were 2,367 admissions and 2,245 deliveries.

An attempt has been made to differentiate between cases which have had no ante-natal care and those that have.

A. *Booked Cases.* Patients having attended the ante-natal department on two or more occasions are included in this group.

B. *Emergencies.* Cases admitted without previous ante-natal care or sent in from outside Doctors or Midwives are classed under this heading.

A. Patients Booked in the Ante-natal Department.	T.Y.H.	G.C.H.
1. Delivered in Hospital (a) Discharged	62	79
(b) Transferred	0	1
2. Baby born before arrival	0	0
3. Discharged undelivered	9	3
4. Died (a) after delivery	0	0
(b) undelivered	0	0
	<u>71</u>	<u>83</u>

Total of "Booked" Cases = 154

B. Patients admitted without previous ante-natal care or sent in as Emergencies by Outside Doctors or Midwives.

	T.Y.H.	G.C.H.
1. Delivered in Hospital (a) Discharged	1452	618
(b) Transferred	1	4
2. Baby born before arrival	6	5
3. Discharged undelivered	73	36
4. Died (a) after delivery	14	3
(a) undelivered	1	0
	<u>1547</u>	<u>666</u>

Total of "Emergency" Cases = 2,213

Total admissions to T.Y.H. = 1,618 and G.C.H. = 749

Total admissions to the Clinic = 2,367

Total deliveries = 2,245

Of the 154 Booked Cases, 63 were Primiparae 91 were Multiparae.

Of the 2,213 Emergency Cases, 751 were Primiparae, 1,462 were Multiparae.

NUMERICAL SUMMARY OF CASES DELIVERED IN HOSPITAL. ADMITTED FOR TREATMENT OR AFTER DELIVERY.

	PRESENTATIONS.	T.Y.H.	G.C.H.	Total.
Persistent Occipito-posterior		41	23	64
Breech		52	21	73
Face		2	0	2
Shoulder		2	5	7
Brow		1	0	1
Twins		14	6	20
				Total
V. 1 (L.O.A.)				1524
				(67.58%)
V. 2 (R.O.A.)				549
				(24.35%)

Ante-partum Haemorrhage :— COMPLICATIONS.

(a) Accidental	5	0	5
(b) Placenta Praevia	2	8	10
Post-partum Haemorrhage	33	18	51
Manual removal of placenta	4	0	4
Albuminuria with Toxic Symptoms	34	53	87
Eclampsia	5	1	6
Puerperal Pyrexia	108	41	149
Hydramnios	7	0	7
Caesarean Section	5	2	7
Prolapse of cord	4	2	6
Cardiac disease	1	2	3

ABBREVIATIONS.

A.P.H.	= Ante-partum Haemorrhage.
A.P.V.D.	= Ante-partum Vaginal Discharge.
A.R.M.	= Artificial Rupture of Membranes.
F.H.N.H.	= Foetal heart not heard.
P.F.	= Promontory felt.
P.N.F.	= Promontory not felt.
P.R.M.	= Premature Rupture of Membranes.
G.	= Good.
F.	= Fair.
P.	= Poor.
S.B.	= Stillborn.
M.	= Mother.
C.	= Child.
A.	= Alive.
D.	= Died.
C.S.	= Caesarean Section.
B.W.	= Baby's weight.
P.M.	= Post mortem.
H.S.	= Haemolytic Streptococcus.
D.A.A.	= Discharged Against Advice.
D.C.	= Diagonal Conjugate.

CASES TREATED IN THE HOSPITAL BEFORE LABOUR.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Disease	Result	No. of days in Hospital before delivery or discharge	Remarks
T.Y.H.							
BOOKED							
1011	37	8	19	Tropical anaemia. Amoebic dysentery. Splenomegaly	Improved	6 weeks	
EMERGENCY							
577	36	3	30	Pneumonia.	...	4 days	
928	19	1	36	Vitamin B deficiency. General oedema	G.	7 "	
959 (a)	26	3	8	Hyperemesis gravidarum. Retroverted gravid uterus	G.	13 "	D.A.A.
1483	19	1	11	Hyperemesis gravidarum. Toxicæmic	G.	24 "	Manual replacement.
1557 (a)	42	10	27	Intestinal obstruction by omental band	Good	7 "	Aborted.
G.C.H.							
EMERGENCY							
217	25	1	34	Mitral stenosis	...	26	Still-birth.
383	41	10	8	Hyperemesis Gravidarum	G.	9	Transferred.
440	23	1	26	Malaria & Broncho-pneumonia	G.	1	
464	27	2	40	Ankylostomiasis	G.	2	

CARDIAC DISEASE.

3 cases.

No Mothers died.

1 Baby was stillborn, a mortality of 33.3%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Lesion	Degree of failure of Compensation	Days in Hosp. before Delivery	Method of Delivery	Result M. C.
T.Y.H.								
EMERGENCY								
879	40	2	40	Mitral Regurgitation & Mitral Stenosis	Severe	...	Normal	G. G.
G.C.H.								
217	25	1	34	Mitral Stenosis	Marked	...	Normal	G. G.
608	24	1	40	Mitral Stenosis	Moderate	...	Normal	G. S.B.

HYDRAMNIOS.

7 cases.

1 Mother died, a mortality of 14.3%.

2 Babies died, a mortality of 28.6%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Cirth of Abdo	Treatment	Result M. C.	Remarks
T.Y.H.							
EMERGENCY							
169	32	1	37	40 inches.	Nil.	D.	Syphilis.
534	26	3	40	40 inches.	Nil.	G.	
519	23	2	36	40 inches.	Nil.	G.	Foetal Ascites. Syphilis.
463	24	3	40	—	Nil.	G.	
572	33	6	40	—	Artificial rupture of membra.	G.	Generalised oedema.
693	23	3	36	40 inches.	Nil.	G.	Twins.
1438	29	1	49	57 inches.	Nil.	D.	P.P.H. Pre-eclampsia.

CASES OF ALBUMINURIA ADMITTED FOR TREATMENT.

87 cases.

No Mothers died.

8 Babies were stillborn and 3 died, a mortality of 12.6%.

Age- Sex.	Age	Gestational Period.	History of Renal Disease	Albuminuria on admission	discharge	Oedema	Headache	Eye Signs	Highest Blood Pressure	No. of days in Hospital before labour or dis- charge	Type of labour	Result M. C.	Remarks
T.Y.M.													
BOOKED													
445	28	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	136/76	4 days.	Forceps	...	Pre-eclampsia. Uterine inertia.
515	29	3	Nil.	++	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	156/108	7 days.	Normal	...	Pre-eclampsia.
EMERGENCY													
1519/85	31	3	Nil.	+	Nil.	Body & legs	...	Nil.	150/96	2 days.	Normal	...	Accidental haemorrhage.
1634/85	29	4	Nil.	+	Nil.	Nil.	...	Slight	136/92	2 days.	Normal	...	Twins.
1582/85	25	3	Nil.	++	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	110/90	2 days.	Normal	...	Twins.
1541/85	23	1	Nil.	+++	Nil.	Legs & Vagina	...	Nil.	164/104	8 days.	Normal	...	
1	22	2	Nil.	+	Nil.	Nil.	...	Nil.	150/100	1 day.	Normal	...	
10	19	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	160/116	3 days.	Normal	...	
73	17	1	Nil.	++	Nil.	Nil.	...	Nil.	120/86	2 days.	Normal	...	
1521/85	25	3	Nil.	Trace	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	140/78	2 days.	Normal	...	
126	24	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Nil.	...	Nil.	111/81	3 days.	Normal	...	
146	40	2	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	104/120	4 days.	Normal	...	
165	24	1	Nil.	Trace	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	168/130	3 days.	Normal	...	
220	30	3	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	128/102	2 days.	Normal	...	
245	27	1	Nil.	++	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	204/126	5 days.	Forceps	...	
276	31	3	Nil.	+	Nil.	Nil.	...	Nil.	120/80	3 days.	Normal	...	
200	33	2	Nil.	+++	Nil.	Legs	...	Yes.	130/86	4 days.	Breech	...	Placenta Praevia.
387	31	1	Nil.	+++	Nil.	General	...	Nil.	196/136	1 day.	Normal	...	Pre-eclampsia.
423	30	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	148/120	3 days.	Normal	...	
428	34	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	148/114	2 days.	Normal	...	
426	22	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	120/85	2 days.	Normal	...	
467	33	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	104/85	2 days.	Normal	...	
638	29	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	130/72	2 days.	Normal	...	
849	21	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	148/102	2 days.	Normal	...	
634	22	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Body	...	Nil.	146/102	4 days.	Normal	...	Accidental Haemorrhage.
909	22	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	150/108	2 days.	Normal	...	Puerperal Sepsis. D.A.A.
1250	38	4	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	164/110	In labour.	Normal	...	
1429	23	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	160/70	In labour	Normal	...	
1491	22	1	Nil.	+++	Nil.	General	...	Nil.	176/118	1 day.	Obstructed	...	
1520	17	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	176/134	In labour	Forceps P.O.P.	...	P.P.H. Hydrannios.
1592	24	1	Nil.	Trace	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	142/90	7 days.	Normal	...	Twins.
						Nil.	...	Nil.	114/86	1 day.	Normal	...	D.A.A.
						Legs	...	Nil.	150/90	In labour	Normal	...	
G.C.H.													
279	33	6	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	116/70	12 days.	Normal	...	Vitamin B1 deficiency.
298	27	3	Nil.	+	Nil.	Nil.	...	Nil.	94/70	2 days.	Normal	...	Pendulous abdomen.
309	26	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	136/92	2 days.	Normal	...	Pre-eclampsia.
373	27	3	Nil.	+++	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	174/108	9 days.	Normal	...	
459	26	2	Nil.	++	Nil.	Legs-Vulva	...	Nil.	154/100	4 days.	Normal	...	
500	19	1	Nil.	+	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	114/56	1 day.	Normal	...	
512	28	1	Nil.	Trace	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	146/80	3 days.	Normal	...	
627	21	1	Nil.	Trace	Nil.	Legs	...	Nil.	164/110	4 days.	Forceps	...	Delayed 3rd stage. Torsemia. Subinvolution

CASES OF ALBUMINURIA ADMITTED FOR TREATMENT. (Continued).

Reg. No.	Age	Gra-vida	Matu- rity	History of Renal Disease	Albuminuria on admission	Oedema	Headache	Eye Signs	Highest Blood Pressure	No. of days in Hospital before labour or discharge	Type of labour	Result M. C.	Remarks.
G.C.H.													
EMERGENCY													
438	19	1	38	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	134/76	2 days.	Uterine inertia	G. G.	P.O.P.
439	23	1	42	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	140/120	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	Perineal laceration.
440	41	4	41	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	172/140	3 days.	Normal	G. G.	Dobey's itch. External piles.
441	39	1	39	Nil.	+++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	180/120	1 day.	Normal	G. G.	Perineal laceration. Cervix badly lacerated.
442	35	1	35	Nil.	+++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	131/90	2 days.	Breech	G. G.	Diarrhoea and vomiting.
443	25	2	40	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	138/80	2 days.	Normal	G. D.	
444	26	9	40	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	152/108	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	
445	33	7	40	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	106/72	2 days.	Normal	G. D.	
446	26	1	30	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	148/82	1 day.	Normal	G. G.	
447	39	5	99	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	126/72	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	
448	25	2	41	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	114/98	3 days.	Normal	G. G.	
449	26	1	40	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	150/90	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	
450	23	2	37	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	138/80	3 days.	Normal	G. D.	
451	26	6	38	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	152/90	4 days.	Normal	G. G.	P.O.P.
452	32	5	44	Nil.	+	Nil	Nil.	Nil.	120/90	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	
453	26	8	41	Nil.	+	Legs & Vulva	Nil.	Nil.	132/70	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	Twins. Bronchitis.
454	25	5	42	Nil.	++	General	Nil.	Nil.	164/118	3 days.	Normal	G. G.	Avitaminosis B Peripheral Polyneuritis.
455	33	3	36	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	151/86	6 days.	Forcep.	G. G.	
456	35	6	42	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	150/100	6 days.	Normal	G. G.	
457	19	2	40	Nil.	+	Nil	Nil.	Nil.	92/50	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	
458	30	1	41	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	150/104	3 days.	Normal	G. G.	
459	24	2	40	Nil.	+	Nil	Nil.	Nil.	170/94	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	
460	26	2	38	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	138/80	2 days.	Occipito posterior	G. G.	
461	21	2	38	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	160/64	3 days.	Normal	G. S.B.	Anaemia. Syphilis.
462	26	4	38	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	140/100	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	
463	26	6	40	Nil.	++	Whole body	Nil.	Nil.	126/80	4 days.	Normal	G. G.	
464	30	3	42	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	146/91	3 days.	Normal	G. G.	
465	19	1	40	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	140/108	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	Anaemia.
466	21	1	39	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	138/91	3 days.	Normal	G. G.	
467	29	1	37	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	112/84	3 days.	Normal	G. G.	
468	23	1	36	Nil.	Trace	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	180/96	1 day.	Normal	G. G.	
469	23	1	36	Nil.	Trace	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	158/96	1 day.	Normal	G. G.	
470	31	6	38	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	128/65	1 day.	Normal	G. G.	
471	26	4	40	Nil.	+	Legs & Vulva	Nil.	Nil.	151/76	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	
472	31	1	38	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	110/50	1 day.	Normal	G. G.	
473	26	3	38	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	100/70	1 day.	Normal	G. G.	
474	26	3	36	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	108/50	4 days.	Normal	G. S.B.	Ankylostomiasis. Secondary anaemia. Syphilis.
475	24	3	37	Nil.	++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	144/90	5 days.	Normal	G. G.	
476	27	3	35	Nil.	+	Arms	Nil.	Nil.	138/80	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	General contracted pelvis.
477	29	1	38	Nil.	+	Nil	Nil.	Nil.	105/68	3 days.	Normal	G. G.	
478	23	1	40	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	104/76	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	Avitaminosis B1. Avitaminosis B1.
479	23	2	42	Nil.	+++	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	156/76	2 days.	Normal	G. G.	
480	31	3	43	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	184/46	In labour.	Normal	G. G.	
481	27	2	40	Nil.	+	Nil	Nil.	Nil.	142/80	In labour.	Normal	G. G.	
482	23	1	37	Nil.	+	Legs	Nil.	Nil.	153/90	In labour.	Normal	G. G.	

ECLAMPSIA.

6 Cases.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Matu- rity	Condition on admission (including if in labour)	No before admission	FITS Total	Onset	Albumen on admission	URINE on discharge	Quantity in first 24 hrs.	Oedema	Highest Blood Pressure	Headache	Eye Signs	No. of days in Hospital before delivery	Type of labour Induced	Result M. C.	Remarks
EMERGENCY																		
674	29	1	36	Good (in labour)	1	2	Intra partum	+++	Trace	—	Legs General	144/102	+	Nil	In labour	Normal	G. G.	D.A.A.
899	28	1	40	Poor (in labour)	3	5	Ante partum	+++	Nil	53 ozs.	General	170/120	+	+	In labour	Forceps	D. G.	
1945	20	1	40	Good (not in labour)	0	4	Intra partum	+	Nil	34 ozs.	Legs	160/100	+	+	1 day	Normal	G. S.B.	
1422	26	1	40	Good (in labour)	0	1	Intra partum	+	Nil	35 ozs.	General	180/120	+	+	In labour	Normal	G. D.	Puerperal Pyrexia
1207	26	1	40	Good (in labour)	0	2	Intra partum	+	Nil	19 ozs.	Nil	140/100	—	—	2 days	Forceps	G. G.	Twins.
1166	24	2	44	Good (not in labour)	0	30	4 days post partum	+	..	68 ozs.	General	194/114	+	+	6 days	Normal	D. G.	

ACCIDENTAL ANTE PARTUM HAEMORRHAGE.

5 cases.

- 1 Mother died, a mortality of 20%.
 2 Babies were stillborn and 1 died, a mortality of 60%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Condition on Admission	Albumen	Treatment	Result M. C.	Amount of Bleeding Concealed	Revealed	Remarks
T.Y.H.										
EMERGENCY										
1524/35	29	4	40	Good.	+	Tight binder.	G.	—	20 ozs.	Melaena Neonatorum.
656	29	1	30	{ Condition fair.	+	Vagina plugged.	G.	—	15 ozs.	
800	27	5	38	Oedema of body.	+	General.	G.	—	10 ozs.	
887	35	10	32	Poor.	Nil.	A. R. M. and plugging.	G. D.	—	10 ozs.	
1119	26	2	34	Good.	++	General.	D. S.B.	?	20 ozs.	P.F.H.

PLACENTA PRAEVIA.

10 cases.

- In 2 cases the Placenta was Central.
- In 5 cases the Placenta was Marginal.
- In 3 cases the Placenta was Lateral.
- No Mothers died.
- 4 Babies were stillborn and 4 died, a mortality of 80%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	condition on Admission	Variety	Treatment	Result	Amt. of Bleeding	Remarks
T.Y.H.									
EMERGENCY									
280	33	2	38	Fair	...	External version & leg brought down	G.	10 ozs.	Breech presentation
750	42	5	31	Good	Central.	Willett's Forceps	G.	5 ozs.	
1078	25	2	37	Poor	Central.	Internal version	G.	20 ozs.	
1597	36	3	33	Good	Marginal.	Legs brought down	G.	10 ozs.	
671	28	1	33	Good	Marginal.	Forceps	G.	10 ozs.	
678	29	4	40	Good	Marginal.	General	G.	10 ozs.	
903	30	7	82	Fair	Lateral.	Caesarean Section	G.	20 ozs.	
1021	23	2	38	Good	Lateral.	Willett's forceps	G.	10 ozs.	
G.C.H.									
329	41	11	36	Good	Marginal	Legs brought down	G.	20 ozs.	
465	27	4	30	Good	Lateral	Binder & A.R.M.	G.	20 ozs.	

FACE AND BROW PRESENTATIONS.

- There were 2 cases of Face, and 1 of Brow.
- No Mother died.
- 2 Babies were stillborn, a mortality of 66.6%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Position	Treatment	Result	Weight of Child lb. oz.
T.Y.H.							
EMERGENCY							
746	27	3	34	L.M.P.	Nil	G.	6 8
1052	26	3	40	L.M.P.	Manual rotation and forceps.	G.	6 12
1049	35	1	40	Brow	Perforation and extraction.	G.	6 8+

PERSISTENT OCCIPITO-POSTERIOR POSITION.

In 64 cases the Occiput did not rotate spontaneously. The treatment and results of these cases are shown in the following table.

BOOKED.	Mode of Termination.	No. of Cases.	Mother		Child	
			G.	D.	G.	D.
Manual Rotation and Forceps		1	—	1	1	—
Spontaneous Delivery-Face to Pubes		1	1	—	1	—
Forceps-Face to Pubes		3	3	—	3	—
Caesarean Section (Flat Pelvis)		1	1	—	1	—
EMERGENCY.						
Manual Rotation and Forceps		3	3	—	3	—
Spontaneous Delivery-Face to Pubes		45	45	—	38	5
Forceps-Face to Pubes		10	10	—	10	—

One mother died, (Pre-eclampsia). Maternal Mortality = 1.56%.
 5 babies were stillborn and 2 died, a mortality of 10.93%.

SHOULDER PRESENTATIONS.

7 cases.

No Mothers died.

4 Babies were stillborn, a mortality of 57%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Complication	Treatment	Result	Weight of Child lb. oz.	Remarks
T.Y.H.								
EMERGENCY								
280	33	6	40	2nd of Twins	Internal version...	G.	4 6	
1218	26	3	32	Nil	Internal version...	G.	3 12	
G.C.H.								
EMERGENCY								
75	35	7	42	Nil	External cephalic version	G.	8 6	
281	30	7	31	Nil	Internal version...	G.	3 0	
356	36	8	36	Nil	Internal version...	G.	6 6	
511	27	4	37	Prolapsed Cord	Internal version...	G.	3 10	
656	25	4	35	Nil	Internal version...	G.	6 8	Prolapsed arm

Prolapsd arm

PROLAPSE OF CORD.

6 cases.

No Mothers died.

4 Babies were stillborn and 1 died, a mortality of 83.3%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Size of os when diagnosed	Treatment	Result	Complications	Remarks
T.Y.H.								
EMERGENCY								
260	33	6	40	Full dilatation ...	Internal version ...	G.	Shoulder presentation	2nd of Twins.
480	42	7	35	3 fingers ...	Nil ...	G.	Breech ...	...
521	26	1	40	2 fingers ...	Nil ...	G.	Nil ...	On admission no pulsation.
764	27	6	37	4 dilated ...	Nil ...	G.	Nil ...	...
G.C.H.								
482	32	7	40	Fully dilated ...	Nil ...	G.	Syphilis	...
511	27	4	37	Nearly fully dilated ...	External version ...	G.	Transverse presentation.	...

•COMPLICATED BREECH DELIVERIES (EXCLUDING BREECH BY VERSION).

Breech delivery with some other Obstetric complication present.

11 cases.

1 Mother died, a mortality of 9%.

6 Babies were stillborn, a mortality of 54.5%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Complications	Treatment	Result
T.Y.H.						
EMERGENCY						
93	41	8	33	Twins. ...	Spontaneous delivery.	G.
98	41	8	33	Placenta Praevia. ...	External version. Leg brought down.	G.
280	35	2	39	Bicornuate uterus. ...	Leg and arms brought down.	G.
369	34	1	40	2nd of Twins. ...	Spontaneous delivery.	G.
896	29	3	34	2nd of Twins. ...	Spontaneous delivery.	D.
975	30	6	39	2nd of Twins. ...	Spontaneous delivery.	G.
1077	21	2	36	M. Placenta Praevia. ...	Assisted delivery. Legs and arms brought down.	G.
1078	26	2	37	Twins. ...	Spontaneous delivery. 2nd of twins.	G.
1491	22	1	38	Placenta Praevia. ...	Legs brought down.	G.
1897	26	3	38	Placenta Praevia. ...	Legs brought down.	S.B.
G.C.H.						
329	41	11	36	Placenta Praevia ...	Legs & arms brought down	G.
717	21	1	38	2nd of twins ...	Legs brought down	G.

UNCOMPLICATED BREECH DELIVERIES.

In 30 cases the Breech was delivered spontaneously.
No Mothers died.
8 Babies were stillborn and 3 died, a mortality of 35.5%.
In 30 cases the Breech was assisted.
No Mothers died.
4 Babies were stillborn and 2 died, a mortality of 20%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Method of Delivery.	Result	Remarks
T.Y.H.						
BOOKED						
1092	32	6	37	Extended head assisted.	...	Syphilis.
400	31	7	31	Spontaneous delivery.	...	Left leg extended.
22	32	1	40	Leg brought down.	...	
1023	22	1	37	Extended legs brought down.	...	
1121	27	4	32	Extended legs brought down.	...	
787	24	4	40	Assisted delivery. Extended legs and arms.	...	Ante-natal version failed.
1070	23	1	37	Extended legs and arms brought down.	...	
EMERGENCY						
31	25	1	40	Perforation. Arms brought down.	...	Impacted after coming head.
452	24	1	40	Assisted delivery.	...	Complete.
916	24	2	40	Assisted delivery.	...	Complete.
55	23	2	40	Spontaneous.	...	Complete.
86	22	2	37	Spontaneous.	...	Complete.
310	40	8	34	Spontaneous delivery.	...	Complete.
385	22	1	40	Spontaneous delivery.	...	Complete.
340	20	1	40	Spontaneous delivery.	...	Complete.
450	42	7	35	Spontaneous delivery. Complete.	...	Extended arms. Syphilis
477	25	4	40	Spontaneous delivery.	...	Prolapse of cord.
519	22	2	36	Spontaneous delivery.	...	Hydranmios. Syphilis.
535	24	3	40	Spontaneous delivery.	...	
588	19	1	30	Spontaneous delivery.	...	
691	21	2	40	Spontaneous delivery.	...	
784	27	6	37	Spontaneous delivery.	...	
841	44	15	40	Spontaneous delivery.	...	
970	20	1	37	Spontaneous.	...	
988	34	4	35	Spontaneous.	...	
1006	30	7	40	Spontaneous. Complete.	...	
1230	28	2	40	Complete. Spontaneous delivery.	...	
1297	19	2	29	Complete. Spontaneous delivery.	...	
1355	23	1	40	Complete. Spontaneous delivery.	...	
1466	28	7	40	Complete. Spontaneous delivery.	...	
1486	47	5	24	Complete. Spontaneous delivery.	...	
581	84	7	40	Leg brought down.	...	Transverse lie. Internal version.
642	35	8	40	Assisted delivery. Leg brought down.	...	Leg. extended. Central Episiotomy.
679	19	1	38	Assisted delivery.	...	

UNCOMPLICATED BREECH DELIVERIES.—(Continued).

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Method of Delivery	Result	Remarks
					M.	G.
T.Y.H.						
EMERGENCY						
1002	29	1	39	Extended legs brought down.	...	G.
1098	35	3	40	Extended legs brought down.	...	G.
1136	31	2	40	Extended legs brought down.	...	G.
131	17	1	40	Arms and legs brought down.	...	D.
372	26	1	40	Assisted delivery. Extended legs and arms.	...	G.
374	28	1	37	Legs and arms brought down.	...	G.
1087	19	1	39	Extended legs and arms brought down.	...	G.
1192	33	2	40	Extended legs and arms assisted.	...	G.
G.C.H.						
BOOKED						
220	27	6	35	Extended legs brought down	...	G.
718	26	1	38	Spontaneous delivery	...	D.
EMERGENCY						
135	26	1	30	Extended arms brought down	...	S.B.
265	35	5	42	Assisted delivery	...	G.
27	26	5	37	Spontaneous delivery	...	G.
22	18	1	38	Spontaneous delivery	...	G.
259	24	1	38	Spontaneous delivery	...	G.
308	22	1	30	Spontaneous delivery	...	S.B.
579	28	5	39	Spontaneous delivery	...	G.
581	28	1	38	Spontaneous delivery	...	G.
631	25	1	32	Spontaneous delivery	...	S.B.
131	23	1	36	Legs brought down	...	G.
482	26	1	34	Legs brought down	...	G.
521	31	1	32	Legs brought down	...	G.
645	19	1	40	Extended leg	...	G.
656	25	4	34	Bipolar version. Leg brought down	...	S.B.
723	25	4	40	Assisted delivery. Legs brought down	...	G.
593	30	6	39	Extended legs brought down	...	D.

ANTE-NATAL VERSION.

This was attempted in 9 cases. In 5 of these it was successful, and of these 2 were Primipara and 3 were Multipara. In one case there was no anaesthetic given, and in 4 a general anaesthetic was given. No mother died, and there was one stillbirth as the result of perforation owing to rigidity of the cervix.

Of the 4 unsuccessful cases a general anaesthetic was given in all cases, 3 were primipara and 1 multipara.

The deliveries were spontaneous and there was no maternal or foetal mortality.

VERSION (IN LABOUR).

10 cases.

No Mothers died.

5 stillbirths, a mortality of 50%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Indication	Bipolar, External or Podalic	Weight of Child lb. oz.	Result M. C.	Remarks
T.Y.H.								
EMERGENCY								
260	33	6	40	Shoulder presentation ...	Podalic ...	4 6	G.	2nd of Twins.
280	33	2	38	Central Placenta Praevia ...	External ...	6 4	G.	S.B.
339	34	1	40	Breech ...	External ...	7 0	G.	G.
531	34	7	40	Shoulder, Hand presenting ...	Int. Podalic ...	7 8	G.	G.
1078	25	2	37	Marginal Placenta Praevia ...	Podalic ...	6 12	G.	S.B.
1218	28	3	32	Shoulder presentation ...	Internal ...	3 12	G.	S.B.
G.C.H.								
75	35	7	42	Shoulder presentation ...	External ...	8 6	G.	G.
231	30	7	31	Shoulder & prolapsed arm ...	Internal ...	3 0	G.	G.
511	27	4	37	Shoulder presentation ...	External ...	6 8	G.	S.B.
656	25	4	34	Shoulder presentation ...	Bipolar ...	3 10	G.	S.B.

POST PARTUM HAEMORRHAGE.

51 cases.

5 Mothers died, a mortality of 9.8%.
 3 Babies were stillborn, a mortality of 5.8%.

Reg No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Relevant Features	Predisposing Cause	Treatment	Result	Am't. of Bleeding	Remarks
T.Y.H.									
BOOKED									
991	19	1	37	Manual rotation & Forceps...	Atony	General	D.	20 ozs.	
1235	37	6	40	Oedema	Uterine atony	General	G.	15 ozs.	
EMERGENCY									
68	40	13	40	Elderly Multipara	Uterine inertia	Pituitrin & Ergotin	G.	15 ozs.	
236	21	1	40	Nil	Nil	Manual removal	G.	20 ozs.	
339	34	1	40	Bicornuate uterus	Retained placenta	General	G.	20 ozs.	
368	30	1	40	Forceps	Uterine inertia	Pit. ergometrine...	G.	20 ozs.	
505	36	9	28	Nil	Rupture of uterus	Flugging, etc.	D.	20 ozs.	
685	17	1	40	Nil	Atony	Uterine plugging	G.	20 ozs.	Puerperal Pyrexia.
730	22	1	40	Nil	Atony	General	G.	20 ozs.	
748	26	2	40	Nil	Atony	General	G.	20 ozs.	
762	25	1	40	Nil	Laceration of cervix and vagina	General	G.	10 ozs.	Suture.
966	27	1	40	Oedema	Atony	General	G.	20 ozs.	
975	40	5	38	Twins	Atony	General	G.	20 ozs.	
1019	21	1	40	Marked oedema of leg	Atony	General	G.	20 ozs.	
1078	25	2	37	Placenta Praevia	Retained placenta	General	G.	20 ozs.	D.A.A.
1113	26	2	34	Toxaemic A.P.H.	Atony	General	G.	20 ozs.	Manual Removal.
1150	26	2	40	Nil	Atony	General	G.	40 ozs.	
1276	25	1	40	Nil	Laceration cervix	Suture	G.	30 ozs.	D.A.A.
1303	34	6	40	Twins	Atony	General	G.	20 ozs.	Twins.
1386	33	2	38	Normal	Cervical laceration	Suture	G.	30 ozs.	
1806	32	9	40	Previous adherent placenta.	Retained placenta	Suture	G.	30 ozs.	
1410	20	2	40	Nil	Uterine atony	Manual removal	D.	40 ozs.	
1420	23	1	40	Forceps. Pre-eclampsia	Atony Car. laceration...	General	D.	20 ozs.	
1453	29	7	40	Nil	Uterine atony	Suture General	D.	30 ozs.	
1450	21	2	40	Nil	Cervical laceration	Suture	G.	15 ozs.	
1458	81	6	40	Nil	Uterine atony	General	G.	20 ozs.	
1491	22	1	38	Twins	Atony	General	G.	20 ozs.	
1517	36	1	40	Nil	Atony	General	G.	25 ozs.	
1578	25	2	38	Nil	Cervical laceration	Suture	G.	30 ozs.	Puerperal Pyrexia.
1522	18	1	40	Oedema	Cervical laceration	Flugging	G.	20 ozs.	
1523	18	1	40	Oedema	Atony	Flugging	G.	20 ozs.	Puerperal Pyrexia.
1567	19	1	40	Nil	Cervical laceration	Flugging	G.	25 ozs.	
G.C.H.									
14	18	1	40	B.B.A.	Nil	Uterus plugged	G.	20 ozs.	
40	29	5	40	Nil	Nil	Pituitrin & Pitocin	G.	30 ozs.	
72	32	8	38	Nil	Nil	Douche-pituitrin...	G.	20 ozs.	Retained membranes.
84	19	1	40	Nil	Nil	Uterus & vagina plugged	G.	20 ozs.	Traumatic.
115	28	1	40	Forceps	Uterine inertia	Manual compression	G.	20 ozs.	Puerperal Pyrexia.
146	35	4	38	F.O.P.	Nil	Ergot	G.	20 ozs.	Puerperal Pyrexia.
223	18	1	40	Nil	Cervical laceration	Suture	G.	20 ozs.	
258	24	2	42	Nil	Cervical laceration	Suture	G.	20 ozs.	
196	32	3	38	Avitaminosis B1	Atony	General	G.	10 ozs.	
357	26	1	40	Syphilis	Atony	General	G.	20 ozs.	
424	27	6	43	Nil	Full bladder	Medical	G.	20 ozs.	Oedema.
437	31	2	40	Nil	Atony	Medical	G.	40 ozs.	
456	33	5	40	Nil	Atony	Medical	G.	20 ozs.	
556	33	8	38	Nil	Nil	Pit. & Ergometrin	G.	20 ozs.	Gonorrhoea.
641	26	2	20	Nil	Nil	Pit. & Ergometrin	G.	20 ozs.	
707	26	1	41	Delayed 2nd stage	Atony	Bi-manual compression	G.	20 ozs.	
723	26	4	40	Nil	Atony	General	G.	40 ozs.	
744	26	3	40	Nil	Atony	General	G.	15 ozs.	
744	26	3	40	Nil	Atony	General	G.	30 ozs.	

FORCEPS (LABOUR NOT INDUCED).—(Continued).

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Matu- rity.	Indication	Inst. Spin.	Inst. Crist.	Ext. Cong. (Inches)	D.C.	Duration of labour	Weight lb. oz.	Child Length	Circum. of Head	Result M. C.	Remarks
G.C.H.														
BOOKED														
687	21	1	41	Delayed 2nd stage	9½	10½	7½	—	13 hrs.	8	4	21	G. G.	Toxaemia. Subinvolution.
EMERGENCY														
115	28	1	40	Uterine Inertia ...	8	9	7½	—	28 hrs.	6	14	19	G. G.	P.P.H. Puerperal Pyrexia.
118	25	1	30	Uterine Inertia ...	9	10½	7½	—	4 hrs.	7	14	20	G. G.	
142	29	1	42	Delayed 2nd stage	9½	10½	8½	—	36 hrs.	5	14	19	G. S.B.	P.O.P.
168	32	3	38	Delayed 2nd stage	—	—	—	—	7 hrs.	6	4	19	G. G.	
277	30	1	37	Delayed 2nd stage	9½	10½	8	—	2½ hrs.	6	2	19	G. G.	
345	34	2	40	Delayed 2nd stage	9½	10½	7½	—	9 hrs.	7	—	20	G. G.	
579	24	3	42	Delayed 2nd stage	9	10½	7½	—	14½ hrs.	8	12	20	G. G.	Araemia. Subinvolution.
618	23	1	38	Delayed 2nd stage	9	10½	8	—	13 hrs.	7	10	21	G. G.	
177	30	3	43	P.O.P. ...	9½	10½	7½	—	5½ hrs.	9	12	22	G. S.B.	
218	32	2	37	F.O.P. ...	8½	10	7½	—	7½ hrs.	6	18	19	G. D.	
717	21	1	38	P.O.P. 1st of twins ...	3	10½	8½	—	2½ hrs.	3	8	—	G. S.B.	Twins. Avitaminosis B.

CAESAREAN SECTION.

7 cases.

No Mothers died.

1 Baby died, a mortality of 14.2%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Matu- rity	Indication	Int. Spin.	Int. Crist.	Ext. Cong.	D.C.	Duration of labour 1st St. 2nd St.	Weight lb. oz.	Child Length Inches	Circum. of Head	Result M. C.	Admitted for Trial Labour	Type of Operation	Remarks
T.Y.H.																
BOOKED																
808	37	1	39	Flat Pelvis.	8½	9½	7	4½	29 hrs.	7	14	20	—	Yes	Lower segment.	Occipito posterior
1364	24	2	39	Bad obstetric history.	8½	9½	7	4½	7 hrs.	8	4	18½	14½	Yes	Upper segment.	
EMERGENCY																
750	42	5	31	Central Placenta Praevia.	—	—	—	—	2½ hrs.	3	8	17	—	No	Lower segment.	Pyrexia Syphilis.
1211	28	3	40	Flat Pelvis.	8½	9½	6½	3½	37 hrs.	6	12	20	—	No	Lower segment.	
1322	29	2	40	Disproportion.	9½	10½	7½	4½	16 hrs.	9	8	—	—	No	Lower segment.	
G.C.H.																
BOOKED																
271	25	1	41	{ Elderly primip... { Uterine inertia ...	9	10½	7½	—	58 hours	7	12	—	—	No	Lower segment.	
EMERGENCY																
621	25	1	37	Generally Contracted Pelvis	7½	8½	6½	4½	37 hours	5	10	—	—	No	Lower segment.	

EMBRYOTOMY AND CRANIOTOMY.

7 cases.

No Mothers died.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Matn- rity	Indication	Previous Treatment	Int. Spin.	Int. Crist.	Ext. Conj.	D.C.	Duration of labour 1st Stage	2nd Stage	Weight of Child lb. oz.	Result to Mother	Type of Operation	Remarks
T.Y.H.															
BOOKED															
271	24	1	40	Rigid cervix uterine inertia	...	9	10	7	—	50½ hrs.		7 6	G.	Perforation	Partial Slough cervix.
EMERGENCY															
81	25	1	40	Impacted after coming head	...	9½	10½	7½		11 hrs.	3 hrs.	5 0	G.	Perforation	Extended arms.
203	27	1	40	Failed forceps & Foetal death	...	9	10	7	—	33 hrs.	8 hrs.	7 6½	G.	Extraction & Perforation	
203	26	1	40	Obstructed labour, Outlet contracted	Nil	9	9½	7½	—	16 hrs.	1 hr.	5 0	F.	Weight traction.	
1049	25	1	40	Impacted brow	...	10½	11½	7½	—	53 hrs.	2 hrs.	6 8½	G.	Perforation	Ankylosis left hip.
1250	33	4	40	Obstructed labour	...	8	10	1	1	27 hrs.	3 hrs.	7½ 0	G.	Extraction & Perforation	Flat pelvis Pre-eclampsia.
G.C.H.															
124	33	1	43	Uterine inertia, foetal death	...	—	—	—	—	53 hours		5 7½	G.	Perforation & extraction	H.S. septicaemia.

TRIAL LABOUR FOR SUSPECTED DISPROPORTION.

2 cases.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Matn- rity	Onset of Labour	Method of Delivery	Int. Spin.	Int. Crist.	Ext. Conj.	D.C.	1st St.	2nd St.	Weight lb. oz.	Length	Circum. M. C. of Head	Remarks
T.Y.H.															
BOOKED															
203	27	1	39	—	Lower Segment C.S.	9½	10	6½	4½	29 hrs.	—	7 14	20	—	G. G. Flat pelvis. Occipite posterior.
1204	24	2	39	Yes.	Lower Segment C.S.	9½	10	6½	1½	7 hrs.	—	8 4	18½	14½	G. G.

PRIMARY UTERINE INERTIA.

(Arbitrary definition being the first stage of labour lasting 48 hours or more).

13 cases—1 Mother died.

Reg. No.	Age	Gavida	Maturity	Position of Fetus	Time of rupture of Membranes	Other Obstetric Abnormalities	Int. Spin.	Int. Crist. Inches	Ext. Conj.	D.C.	Duration of Labour	Method of Delivery	Treatment	Weight of Child lb. oz.	Result
											1st St. 2nd St.		Medical	Operative	
T.Y.H. BOOKED	26	1	40	V1	30 hrs.	Partial Slough of Cervix	9	10	7	P.N.F.	48 hrs.	2 hrs.	Hyoscine	Yes	G. S.B.
	371					General oedema	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sedatives	—	G. S.B.
EMERGENCY	40	3	40	V2	44 hrs.	Nil	9	10½	7	P.N.F.	51 hrs.	2 hrs.	—	—	G. S.B.
	1300														
EMERGENCY	35	1	40	V1	37 hrs.	Nil	9	10	7	—	64 hrs.	4 hrs.	Yes	—	G. G.
	1049												Nil	Yes	G. S.B.
EMERGENCY	19	1	40	V1	8 hrs.	Nil	8½	9	7	—	52 hrs.	3 hrs.	Sedatives	Nil	G. G.
	1843												Yes	—	G. G.
EMERGENCY	40	1	40	V1	69 hrs.	Transverse lie of head	9½	10½	7	—	71 hrs.	—	Sedatives	—	G. G.
	1531												Sedatives	Forceps	G. G.
EMERGENCY	25	1	40	V1	14 hrs.	Nil	9½	10½	7½	—	48½ hrs.	2½ hrs.	Sedatives	Nil	G. G.
	1541												Sedatives	Forceps	G. G.
EMERGENCY	32	1	38	V1	3 hrs.	Nil	8½	9½	7½	—	63 hrs.	3 hrs.	Sedatives	Nil	G. G.
	1586												Sedatives	Forceps	G. S.B.
G.C.H. BOOKED	35	1	41	V1	—	—	9	10½	7½	—	58 hours	—	Sedatives	C.S.	G. G.
	271												—	—	G. G.
EMERGENCY	1	38	38	V4	18 hrs.	P.O.F.	10	11	8	—	48½ hours	—	Yes	—	G. G.
	638												Yes	—	G. G.
EMERGENCY	25	25	40	V1	36 hrs.	Nil	9	10½	7½	—	68 hrs.	2 hrs.	—	—	G. G.
	118												—	—	G. G.
EMERGENCY	33	1	43	V1	24 hrs.	Nil	—	—	—	—	53 hours	—	—	Yes	D. S.B.
	184												—	—	D. S.B.

MANUAL REMOVAL OF PLACENTA.

4 cases.

- 1 Mother died, a mortality of 25%.
- 2 Babies were stillborn, a mortality of 60%.

Reg. No.	Age	Gavida	Maturity	Method of Delivery	Length of 3rd Stage	Indication	Morbidity	Result	Amt. of Bleeding	Remarks
T.Y.H. EMERGENCY	33	34	1	Breech.	50 min.	Haemorrhage.	Nil.	G.	20 ozs.	
	927	29	5	Normal.	3½ hrs.	Haemorrhage.	Nil.	G.	20 ozs.	
EMERGENCY	1078	25	2	Breech.	20 min.	Haemorrhage.	Yes.	G.	20 ozs.	Bicornuate uterus.
	1350	32	9	Normal.	2½ hrs.	Haemorrhage.	Nil.	D.	40 ozs.	

MATERNAL MORBIDITY.

161 Cases.

All cases with pyrexia and all maternal deaths are included as Morbid.

In the 142 Booked Cases there were 7 cases of Pyrexia. There was no maternal death.

The Morbidity rate for Booked Cases was 4.9%.

In the 2,103 Emergency Cases there were 142 cases of Pyrexia and 12 deaths without a rise in temperature, a total of 154 cases.

The Morbidity rate for Emergency Cases was 7.2%.

The Morbidity rate for the whole Clinic was 7.1%.

The definition of Puerperal Pyrexia as adopted at this Clinic is: "A temperature of 100.4 or over, occurring during the puerperium, while the patient is under observation, not including the first 24 hours."

The details of the Morbid cases are as follows:—

BOOKED CASES.

The causes of Pyrexia were as follows:—

Total number, 7. The causes of Pyrexia were as follows:—

- Uterine sepsis, 1. (H. S.)
- Urinary infection, 2.
- Breast engorgement, 2.
- Wound sepsis (Caesarean Section), 1.
- Enterocolitis, 1.

EMERGENCY CASES.

Total number, 154. Of these 12 died without Pyrexia and 6 died with a rise in temperature

The causes of Pyrexia were as follows:—

- Uterine sepsis, 58. (H. S. 17).
- Urinary infection, 8.
- Perineal infection, 5.
- Breast engorgement, 27.
- Breast abscess, 1.
- Septicaemia, 1.
- Wound sepsis (Caesarean Section), 1.
- Influenza, 6.
- Pelvic cellulitis, 1.
- Tonsillitis, 1.
- Typhoid, 1.
- Dysentery, 1.
- Mumps, 1.
- Malaria, 1.
- Mania, 1.
- Ascariasis, 1.
- Constipation, 1.
- Gastro-enteritis, 1.
- Bronchitis, 1.
- Avitaminosis B₁, 1.
- Venereal disease, 8.
- Cracked nipples, 1.
- Suppurative nephritis, 1.
- Unknown cause, 18.

Monthly distribution of the Pyrexia cases and of the cases infected by Haemolytic Streptococci.

	No.	H.S.		No.	H.S.
January	6	3	July	18	0
February	4	0	August	20	1
March	7	2	September	15	1
April	5	0	October	21	1
May	7	0	November	14	5
June	16	0	December	21	0

The Parity of the cases is as follows:—

Para	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	over 10
No. of cases.....										
BOOKED.....	8	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMERGENCY	74	31	19	7	7	7	1	0	0	1

MATERNAL DEATHS.

In booked cases, no maternal deaths.

In emergency cases, 18 deaths, a mortality of 8.1 per 1,000.

Mortality for all cases, 7.6 per 1,000.

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Reg. No.

EMERGENCY

275 *Death from pulmonary embolus.*

Para 1, age 27, maturity 37 weeks. Normal labour, on the third day after delivery there was cough, slight fever, rusty sputum. The following day patient complained of acute pain in the chest asked for the bed-pan and died. P.M. Pulmonary embolus.

290 *Death from pre-eclampsia.*

Para 1, age 26, full term. Patient admitted with generalised oedema, marked albuminuria, B.P. 196/136. Pulmonary oedema also present. Normal delivery 24 hours after admission. Patient died six days after delivery.

533 *Death from rupture of uterus (pendulous abdomen).*

Para 5, age 30, full term. Patient admitted in labour with pendulous abdomen. Membranes ruptured two and a half hours after onset of labour. Three and a half hours later the foetal heart was not heard. Nine hours after labour began the patient complained of sudden abdominal pain parts could easily be felt. On catheterisation blood was withdrawn but no urine. The os was fully dilated and the vertex presenting. Patient died whilst being prepared for operation. P.M. The body of the foetus was outside the uterus but the head was deeply engaged in the pelvis. The foetal body was twisted so that the back was on the left but the occiput on the right, thus the face was on the side of the back. The rupture involved the lower segment of the uterus anteriorly and laterally and posteriorly it was intact.

565 *Death from rupture of the uterus.*

Para 9, age 36, 30 weeks. The duration of labour was two hours and a premature macerated foetus delivered. With rupture of the membranes, one hour after labour started there was some bleeding. About one hour after delivery there was haemorrhage. Although the uterus was contracted there was still oozing. On speculum examination a tear of the anterior lip of the cervix was seen and this extended into the lateral fornix. Despite treatment the patient died seven hours after delivery. P.M. Haematoma in both broad ligaments and in left side extending retro-peritoneally as far as the kidney. A tear, 2" in length, was seen on anterior aspect of cervix extending into lower uterine segment.

650 *Death from puerperal mania.*

Para 2, age 28, full term. Normal delivery. Patient suddenly became violent five days after delivery. Large doses of sedatives were necessary. She died two days later. On the fourth day temperature was 103, pulse 100. Bacteriological examination of the urine and vagina was negative. There was a history of marital disharmony and persecution by the husband's relatives. A clairvoyant predicted death of the patient or her baby on the sixth day. The patient died on the sixth day.

975 *Death from post-partum haemorrhage.*

Para 5, age 30, maturity 39 weeks. Normal twin delivery. The placenta of the first baby was delivered before the second baby. The second placenta was delivered after the second child. Following this there was severe bleeding due to atony of the uterus. Despite the usual restorative measures which included plugging uterus, the patient died twelve hours after delivery.

880 *Death from eclampsia.....*

Para 1, age 26, maturity 40 weeks. Patient admitted in a severe state of eclampsia. Artificial rupture of membranes. Coma developed. Forceps delivery 10 hours after rupture of membranes. The following day the blood-pressure was normal, urinary output within normal limits and the patient conscious. On the third day of the puerperium there was a sudden rise of blood pressure with suppression of urine. The patient died the same evening.

1119 *Death from haemorrhage (ante—and post-partum).*

Para 2, age 26, maturity 34 weeks. Patient admitted in labour and bleeding (concealed and external). There was marked albuminuria. The foetus was dead. After the delivery of the placenta there was severe atonic haemorrhage. There was a history of oedema of the legs for 6 weeks.

1178 *Death from polynucronitis (Vitamin B1 deficiency).*

Para 6, age 34, maturity 39 weeks. Patient was admitted with heart failure and paralysis of all limbs, reflexes were absent. Speech was slurring. Delivery was normal, the day after admission. Several attacks of acute dyspnoea. W.R.+ . Despite massive doses of vitamin B1, the patient died six days after delivery.

1171 *Death from rupture of uterus.*

Para 7, age 34, maturity 40 weeks. On admission the patient had been in labour for 8½ hours. The head was floating and the membranes intact. Five hours later as the abdomen was being palpated, the uterus was actually felt to "go"

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and foetal parts were appreciated much more readily. On catheterisation blood-stained urine was withdrawn. Laparotomy was immediately performed. The foetus and placenta were in the abdominal cavity. There was a transverse rupture of the lower uterine segment and the bladder was also ruptured transversely. There was some difficulty in effecting haemostasis. Hysterectomy was performed. Patient died one hour after operation.

1180 *Death from eclampsia.*

Para 2, age 21, maturity 33 weeks. Patient was admitted in a severe state of pre-eclampsia. She responded to treatment and had a normal twin delivery 8 days later. Two days after delivery the blood-pressure suddenly rose. There was little or no oedema now but weakness of limbs and pulse irregularity. The following day, fits started and before death the patient had thirty-one fits.

1332 *Death from paralytic ileus following Caesarean section.*

Para 2, age 29, maturity 40 weeks. Patient admitted in obstructed labour. Previous history of renal disease and tuberculous peritonitis necessitating termination of last pregnancy at 20 weeks. Diagonal conjugate 8½". Lower segment Caesarean section. Patient died on 4th day from paralytic ileus.

1350 *Death from post-partum haemorrhage.*

Para 9, age 32, maturity 40 weeks. Normal delivery except manual delivery of placenta was necessary for post-partum haemorrhage. There was considerable difficulty in removing the placenta owing to its being adherent in parts. Patient died 3 hours after delivery. Previous history of manual removal of placenta and severe P.P.H. in last two labours.

1420 *Death from post-partum haemorrhage.*

Para 1, age 23, maturity 40 weeks. Admitted in labour with severe degree of pre-eclampsia. Manual rotation and forceps extraction for occipito-posterior presentation. Laceration of cervix which was sutured. Two hours after delivery there was severe atonic uterine bleeding and the patient died.

1557 (a) *Death from intestinal obstruction.*

Para 10, age 42, maturity 27 weeks. Patient was admitted with obvious signs of intestinal obstruction. An omental band was found obstructing the ascending colon, another was found crossing the sigmoid. Uterus expelled its contents on following day. Patient died 5 days later from heart failure.

G.C.H.184 *Death from puerperal septicaemia.*

Para 1, age 33, maturity 43 weeks. Uterine inertia for 53 hours. Intra-partum foetal death. Perforation and extraction. Rigor day after delivery. Haemolytic streptococci in throat and vaginal mabs and blood culture. Abscesses developed in right forearm and right buttock. Death 16 days after delivery.

178 *Death from typhoid.*

Para 1, age 21, full term. Patient admitted in labour with temperature 102, pulse 130. Normal delivery. Blood culture—B. typhosus. Died on 17th day after delivery.

892 *Death from acute suppurative nephritis and vitamin B1 deficiency.*

Para 6, age 32. Normal delivery. The day following delivery there was weakness of the lower extremities and six days later there was complete paralysis of all limbs and loss of voice. W.R.!. Death on 8th day, the temperature rising to 105. Post mortem: multiple abscesses in kidneys, liver clonorchis present.

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SUNDRY CASES NOT INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS TABLES.

101 cases.

Reg. No.	Age	Gravida	Maturity	Result	Remarks
T-Y.H.					
BOOKED					
409	31	7	31	G.	Syphilis ...
1023	22	1	37	G.	Avitaminosis B1. Two months post partum
EMERGENCY					
215	22	1	40	G.	Leprosy ...
212	38	6	40	G.	Precipitate labour. Fetal skull fracture
203	27	1	40	G.	Files. Puerperal Sepsis. Post partum vaginal stenosis
259	26	1	40	G.	Mumps. (Post partum)
338	36	13	40	G.	Precipitate labour
380	34	1	40	G.	Picornuate uterus
245	24	1	37	G.	Pulmonary embolus following labour
101	29	3	38	G.	Precipitate labour chronic mastitis (right)
402	21	1	40	G.	Chronic Endocarditis (mitral regurgitation)
495	43	12	40	G.	Varicose veins right legs
513	33	7	30	G.	Precipitate labour
627	25	3	40	G.	Influenza Sciatica (right)
717	28	1	40	G.	Asthma
732	25	1	38	G.	Malaria
741	26	2	40	G.	Breast abscess opened and drained
748	30	3	40	G.	Avitaminosis B1
792	25	1	40	G.	Ovarian cyst obstructing labour
558	26	1	40	G.	Ankylosis left hip. Vulvo-lachto-rectal abscess
921	23	3	40	G.	Pulmonary tuberculosis
959	25	3	8	G.	Retained gravid uterus and Hyperemesis gravidarum
1081	20	2	33	G.	Acute gastro-enteritis
1086	23	1	40	G.	Puerperal haemorrhage (Retained fragment of placenta)
1171	37	7	40	G.	Rupture of uterus
1173	34	6	30	G.	Polynucleonitis Vitamin B1 deficiency Syphilis
1461	31	6	40	G.	Dysentery
119	30	5	23	G.	Incomplete abortion
1525/35	19	1	10	G.	Abortion
219	25	3	34	G.	Inevitable abortion
298	23	3	27	G.	Complete abortion
669	30	5	26	G.	Inevitable Abortion
1123	30	3	25	G.	Abortion
1010	21	2	10	G.	Missed abortion
1143	22	2	26	G.	Complete abortion. Syphilis
169	32	1	37	G.	Syphilis
415	22	7	31	G.	Syphilis
419	33	9	23	G.	Syphilis
579	22	2	36	G.	Syphilis
564	17	1	40	G.	Syphilis
583	19	1	30	G.	Syphilis
754	24	1	30	G.	Syphilis
776	18	1	35	G.	Syphilis
1133	27	4	40	G.	Syphilis
1241	17	1	40	G.	Syphilis
1211	28	3	40	G.	Syphilis. Baby syphilitic pemphigus
141.	24	3	40	G.	Syphilis
1528	37	4	36	G.	Syphilis
1512	21	2	40	G.	Syphilis
535	30	5	40	G.	Pendulous abdomen and rupture of uterus
663	23	3	36	G.	Pendulous abdomen
910	27	2	40	G.	Hypertension. Pendulous abdomen
1635	30	9	40	G.	Pendulous abdomen. Divarication of recti

SUNDRY CASES NOT INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS TABLES.—(Continued).

No.	Age	Gravida	Mety- city	Remarks	Result	
					M.	C.
T.Y.H.						
EMERGENCY						
1847	17	1	38	Intestinal obstruction due to omental band ...	G.	D.
1857 (a)	43	10	27	Syphilis ...	D.	D.A.A.
1857 (b)	36	2	36	Syphilis ...	G.	G.
1860	32	1	30	Varicose veins ...	G.	D.
G.C.H.						
BOOKED						
220	27	6	35	Syphilis ...	?	D.A.A.
270	23	8	37	Vitamin B ₁ deficiency ...	G.	G.
480	20	1	37	Puerperal insanity. Puerperal pyrexia ...	G.	G.
518	27	1	44	Subinvolution—Breast engorgement ...	G.	G.
637	21	1	41	Toxaemia of pregnancy. Subinvolution. Forceps ...	G.	G.
686	24	2	37	Varicose veins of legs. Pulmonary tuberculosis ...	G.	G.
701	30	4	39	Varicose veins on right leg for 3 months ...	G.	G.
EMERGENCY						
66	30	8	39	Phthisis ...	G.	G.
91	32	2	40	Ano-perineal fistulae for 6-7 yrs. ...	G.	G.
184	33	1	43	Abscesses in right forearm and right buttock ...	D.	S.B.
145	31	5	39	Varicose veins in right thigh External Pile ...	G.	G.
172	25	1	35	Diarrhoea and vomiting ...	G.	G.
177	30	3	43	Forceps. P.O.P. External Piles ...	G.	S.B.
194	38	7	40	Cyst of vaginal wall ...	G.	D.
178	21	1	40	Typhoid ...	D.	G.
238	33	8	?	Carcinoma Mole ...	G.	G.
211	27	2	39	Pelvic cellulitis Iliac abscess incised ...	G.	G.
330	33	11	38	Varicose veins of both legs ...	G.	G.
507	27	1	39	Subinvolution ...	G.	G.
523	26	4	36	Bacillary Dysentery complicating Pregnancy and Puerperium ...	G.	G.
559	23	2	38	Prolapse of anterior lip of cervix ...	G.	G.
581	34	7	38	Precipitate labour ...	G.	G.
606	25	4	38	Varicose veins of legs ...	G.	G.
673	25	3	38	Melaena neonatorum. Subinvolution ...	G.	G.
80	26	3	25	Abortion and Syphilis ...	G.	G.
116	19	2	32	Pregnancy and Syphilis ...	G.	G.
353	20	1	40	Old tuberculous hip (Ankylosed) ...	G.	G.
317	30	5	40	Influenza ...	G.	G.
417	28	2	40	Tonsillitis ...	G.	G.
259	22	1	36	Syphilis ...	G.	G.
304	22	1	30	Syphilis ...	G.	S.B.
337	26	1	40	Syphilis P.P.H. ...	G.	G.
620	40	11	40	Syphilis ...	G.	G.
626	28	2	38	Syphilis ...	G.	G.
631	25	1	32	Syphilis ...	G.	S.B.
168	32	3	38	Avitaminosis B ₁ . Peripheral Polyneuritis ...	G.	G.
453	20	1	36	Avitaminosis B ₁ . Gonorrhoea. Subinvolution ...	G.	G.
494	28	6	36	Avitaminosis B ₁	G.	G.
683	37	6	40	Vitamin B ₁ deficiency ...	G.	G.
685	25	2	44	Avitaminosis B ₁ ...	G.	G.
685(a)	31	3	42	Vitamin B ₁ deficiency ...	G.	G.
321	34	3	36	Ascariasis. Anaemia. Ankylostomiasis ...	G.	G.
560	24	3	37	Pre-eclampsia. Ankylostomiasis. 2nd Anaemia. Syphilis ...	G.	G.
646	27	3	40	Ankylostomiasis ...	G.	S.B.

INFANTS REPORT.

	T.Y.H.	G.C.H.
Babies Born Total	1541	714
Babies born alive	1456	673
Stillborn	57	27
Died in Hospital	28	14
Abortious	8	2
Premature births (there were 138 premature babies born.)		10
(Birth weight--5 lbs. or under)		

Reg No.	Birth Weight lb. oz.	Cause of Premature labour	Method of Feeding	Weight on discharge lb. oz.	Result	Sex	Remarks
T.Y.H.							
BOOKED							
400	2 12	Unknown	---	---	S.B.	M.	
608	3 8	Unknown	---	---	S.B.	F.	
1121	4 0	Unknown	Breast	3 10	G.	F.	Breach.
1598	3 8	Unknown	Breast				
EMERGENCY							
1518/86	4 10	Unknown	Breast	4 8	G.	F.	
1535/85	4 8	Unknown	Breast.	4 12	G.	F.	
1540/85	4 8	Unknown	Breast.	4 4	G.	F.	
44	2 12	Unknown	Nil.		D.	M.	
98	4 4	Unknown	Nil.		D.	F.	
52	3 12	Unknown	Breast.	4 0	G.	F.	
93	4 0	Unknown	Breast.	4 0	G.	M.	
111	5 0	Unknown	Breast	5 0	G.	M.	
169	5 0	Hydranmios & Syphilis	Breast		D.	M.	
185	5 0	Unknown	Breast.	5 4	G.	F.	Lived 4 hours.
260	4 6	Twins	Breast.	4 8	G.	M.	2nd of twins.
289	3 0	Unknown	---		D.	M.	
337	3 0	Unknown	---		S.B.	M.	Macerated.
374	4 14	Unknown	Breast.	5 4	G.	M.	
413	3 4	Syphilis...	---		S.B.	M.	
419	2 2	Syphilis...	---		S.B.	F.	
489	2 2	Syphilis...	---		S.B.	M.	
475	4 0	Syphilis...	---		G.	F.	
498	4 0	Unknown	Breast.	4 0	G.	F.	
491	5 0	Unknown	Breast	5 0	G.	M.	
506	4 8	Unknown	Breast	4 0	G.	M.	
513	5 0	Unknown	---		D.	M.	
579	5 0	Unknown	---		D.	F.	
538	5 0	Syphilis...	---		D.	M.	
541	3 0	Antepartum Accidental Haemorrhage.	Breast		S.B.	F.	Spina bifida.
564	3 10	Unknown	Breast	3 12	G.	F.	Foetal Ascites.
565	4 0	Syphilis...	---		G.	F.	Macerated.
583	2 12	Unknown	---		S.B.	M.	
597	3 0	Syphilis...	---		S.B.	F.	
631	4 12	Unknown	---		D.	M.	
637	5 0	Unknown	Breast	4 8	F.	F.	Forceps.
671	3 12	Placenta Praevia	Breast	5 0	G.	M.	
676	5 0	Placenta Praevia	---	3 12	D.	M.	
707	5 0	Unknown	Breast	5 4	F.	F.	

INFANTS REPORT.—(Continued 1).

Reg. No.	Birth Weight lb. oz.	Cause of Premature labour	Method of Feeding	Weight on discharge lb. oz.	Result	Sex	Remarks
EMERGENCY							
754	3 0	Syphilis...	—	—	S.B.	M.	
764	2 12	Prolapse of cord	—	—	D.	M.	
764	3 8	Placenta Praevia	—	—	D.	F.	
887	5 0	A.P.H. ...	Nil.	—	D.	F.	
847	5 0	Unknown	Breast	3 0	G.	M.	
776	4 0	Syphilis...	Breast	1 12	G.	M.	
871	4 8	Unknown	Nil.	—	S.B.	F.	
789	4 4	Heart disease	Breast	4 8	G.	F.	
895	5 0	Twins ...	Breast	5 0	G.	M.	
895	2 0	Twins ...	—	—	S.B.	M.	
103	4 0	Placenta Praevia	—	—	S.B.	M.	
915	4 10	Vitamin B1 deficiency	Breast	1 12	G.	F.	
917	2 8	Unknown	Nil.	—	S.B.	M.	
945	4 4	Unknown	Breast	3 10	G.	M.	
952	3 8	Unknown	Breast	3 0	G.	F.	
880	5 0	Eclampsia	Breast	—	G.	F.	
983	3 4	Unknown	Nil.	—	D.	F.	
1006	3 15	Pyrexia	Breast	3 12	G.	M.	
1004	2 4	Unknown	Nil.	—	S.B.	F.	
1089	5 0	Unknown	Breast	1 8	G.	M.	
1101	3 2	Unknown	Breast	3 8	G.	M.	
1105	4 8	Unknown	Nil.	—	S.B.	M.	
1113	4 0	Unknown	Breast	3 4	G.	F.	
1021	4 4	Placenta Praevia	Breast	—	D.	M.	
1077	4 12	Twins ...	Breast	4 4	G.	F.	
1081	5 0	Unknown	Breast	4 8	G.	M.	
1128	4 4	Twins ...	Breast	3 12	G.	M.	
1113	4 4	Unknown	Breast	3 12	G.	M.	
1154	4 0	Unknown	Breast	3 12	G.	M.	
1157	4 14	Unknown	Breast	3 12	G.	F.	
1178	4 8	Syphilis...	Nil.	5 0	G.	F.	
1180	3 12	Pre-eclampsia	Breast	—	S.B.	F.	
1180	4 12	Pre-eclampsia	Breast	—	G.	F.	
1183	4 12	Syphilis...	Nil.	—	S.B.	F.	
1218	3 12	Unknown	Nil.	—	S.B.	F.	
1282	4 8	Unknown	Breast	4 6	G.	F.	
1292	4 11	Unknown	Breast	4 14	G.	F.	
1297	3 0	Unknown	—	—	S.B.	M.	
1304	4 0	Unknown	—	—	D.	M.	
1817	4 6	Unknown	Breast	4 2	G.	M.	
1352	4 4	Unknown	Breast	4 1	G.	F.	
1355	4 12	Breath ...	Breast	4 8	G.	F.	
1486	4 8	Nil	Nil.	—	S.B.	M.	
1491	1 8	Pre-eclampsia	Breast	4 1	G.	F.	
1498	4 4	Nil	Breast	3 6	G.	M.	
1525	4 0	Unknown	—	4 8	G.	M.	
1528	4 12	Syphilis...	Breast	—	D.	F.	
1566	3 6	Syphilis...	Breast	3 12	G.	M.	
1586	3 14	Unknown	—	—	S.B.	M.	
1597	3 2	Placenta Praevia	—	—	S.B.	F.	

INFANTS REPORT.—(Continued 2).

Reg. No.	Birth Weight lb. oz.	Cause of Premature labour	Method of Feeding	Weight on discharge lb. oz.	Result	Sex	Remarks
G.C.H. BOOKED							
17	2 14	Unknown	Glucose water c C. Milk	—	D.	F.	
309	4 2	Pre-eclamptic	Breast	3 12	G.	F.	1st of twins.
551	5 0	Twins	Breast	5 4	G.	F.	
613	3 10	Twins	Breast	—	G.	F.	
613	2 10	Twins	Breast	2 9	G.	F.	
EMERGENCY							
547	2 8	Unknown	Breast c glucose water	3 2	S.B.	M.	Twins.
38	1 12	Unknown	Breast	—	S.B.	M.	B.B.A.
	3 4				G.	M.	
131	4 8	Breast	Breast	4 6	G.	M.	
195	4 0	Breech	—	—	S.B.	M.	
217	4 4	Heart disease	—	—	S.B.	M.	
224	4 0	Unknown	Breast	3 0	S.B.	F.	
231	3 8	Unknown	Breast	8 14	G.	F.	
258	4 0	Unknown	Breast	4 0	G.	M.	
265	4 4	Unknown	Breast	4 4	G.	M.	
265	4 5	Unknown	Breast	4 4	G.	M.	
250	4 12	Syphilis...	Artificial	4 6	G.	M.	Twins.
276	4 2	Unknown	—	—	S.B.	F.	
288	4 12	Unknown	Breast	4 12	G.	M.	
292	3 8	Unknown	Breast	3 8	G.	M.	
301	4 6	Unknown	—	—	S.B.	F.	
307	5 0	Unknown	Breast	5 0	S.B.	F.	
308	3 12	Syphilis...	—	—	G.	F.	
321	3 4	Unknown	Breast	8 6	S.B.	F.	
328	4 14	Unknown	Breast	4 12	G.	M.	
332	4 0	Syphilis...	Breast	—	G.	F.	
339	4 14	Unknown	Breast	4 10	S.B.	F.	
351	4 14	Unknown	Breast	4 4	G.	M.	
352	3 8	Unknown	Breast	3 0	G.	M.	
366	4 6	Syphilis...	—	—	S.B.	M.	Jaundiced.
367	4 12	Unknown	—	—	D.	M.	
393	4 10	Unknown	Breast	4 12	D.	M.	
413	4 10	Unknown	Breast	5 0	G.	F.	
431	3 8	Unknown	—	—	G.	F.	
477	3 8	Unknown	—	—	D.	M.	
465	3 6	Placenta praevia	—	—	D.	M.	
521	4 4	Unknown	Breast	4 2	D.	M.	
528	4 8	Unknown	—	—	D.	M.	
535	4 14	Unknown	Breast	—	S.B.	M.	
550	3 14	Syphilis...	Breast	4 13	G.	M.	
565	5 0	Unknown	Breast	3 14	G.	M.	
567	4 12	Unknown	Breast	5 0	G.	F.	
592	3 6	Breech	Breast	4 12	G.	M.	
604	5 0	Unknown	Breast	—	D.	F.	
610	3 0	Unknown	Breast	5 8	G.	F.	
620	4 10	Syphilis...	Breast	3 2	G.	M.	
640	4 2	Syphilis...	—	5 0	G.	F.	
641	4 1	Unknown	—	—	S.B.	F.	Macerated.
717	3 8	Unknown	—	—	S.B.	M.	Twins.
717	3 4	Unknown	—	—	S.B.	M.	

TWINS (AND TRIPLETS IF ANY).

There were 20 cases of Twins and none of Triplets.
 3 Mothers died, a mortality of 10%.
 6 Babies were stillborn and 2 died, a mortality of 40%.

Reg. No.	Age.	Gravida	Maturity	Position	Sex	Weight	Type	M.	Result	Remarks
1st	2nd	1st	2nd	1st	2nd	lb. oz.	lb. oz.	1st	2nd	
T.Y.M.										
BOOKED										
1058	25	2	34	V3	M.	5	10	5	8	G.
EMERGENCY										
1592/35										
93	25	3	40	V2	M.	5	8	5	4	G.
280	41	8	34	B1	F.	4	4	4	4	G.
693	23	6	40	P.O.P.	M.	5	12	4	6	G.
895	23	3	36	V1	M.	5	4	5	0	G.
975	20	3	34	V1	M.	5	0	2	0	G.
982	30	5	39	V1	F.	5	4	2	5	G.
1077	25	2	39	V2	F.	5	2	4	12	G.
1123	21	1	36	V1	F.	5	4	4	4	G.
1180	26	1	31	V1	M.	4	8	4	4	G.
1183	24	2	33	V1	F.	3	12	4	12	G.
1808	27	4	40	V1	F.	5	8	4	12	G.
1491	22	6	40	V1	M.	5	4	0	4	G.
		1	38	V1	F.	4	8	0	8	G.
G.C.H.										
BOOKED										
551	37	3	39	V2	F.	5	0	5	8	G.
618	21	1	36	V2	F.	5	10	2	10	G.
EMERGENCY										
547	22	2	31	V1	M.	9	3	1	12	G.
131	22	1	36	B1	M.	5	8	4	8	G.
265	25	5	42	V1	M.	4	4	4	5	G.
717	21	1	38	F.O.P.	M.	3	8	3	4	G.

Internal version for 2nd.
 Hydramnios Pendulous abdomen.

P.P.H.
 D.A.A.

P.P.H.
 P.P.H.

Delayed 2nd stage.

Avitaminosis B1.

STILL BIRTHS.

84 cases.

The still birth rate = 3.4%.

Reg. No.	Sex.	Method of delivery	Maternal Complication	Cause of Death (P.M. if done)	Remarks
T.V.H.					
BOOKED					
371	M.	Perforation	Rigid cervix	Macerated.	Prematurity
400	M.	Breech	Syphilis	Cerebral haemorrhage	...
603	F.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	...
1092	M.	Breech	Nil	Cerebral haemorrhage	...
1098	M.	Forceps	Nil	Cerebral haemorrhage	P.O.P.
1800	M.	Normal	Uterine inertia	Asphyxia	Short cord round neck 3 times.
1659	M.	Normal	...	Asphyxia	Difficulty with shoulders.
EMERGENCY					
1513/85	M.	Forceps	Delayed 2nd stage	Asphyxia	Foetal distress.
31	F.	Breech (Perforation)	Obstructed delivery	Perforation	Impacted after coming head
78	F.	Normal	Puerperal Sepsis	Macerated foetus	...
303	M.	Perforation	Puerperal Sepsis	Prematurity	Failed forceps.
308	M.	P.O.F.	Nil	Cerebral haemorrhage	Syphilis.
311	F.	Forceps	Uterine inertia	Asphyxia	Transverse lie of head.
280	F.	Breech	Central Placenta Praevia	Macerated	Oedema of legs.
340	M.	Breech	Nil	Asphyxia	Syphilis.
360	M.	Normal	Nil	Macerated	Impacted shoulders.
397	M.	Normal	Nil	Asphyxia	Macerated W.R.
405	M.	Forceps	Post-maturity	Perforation	Uterine inertia.
415	M.	Normal	Syphilis	Macerated	Prematurity
419	F.	Normal	Syphilis	Prematurity	Prolapse of cord.
460	M.	Breech	Nil	Intercranial haemorrhage	...
500	M.	Normal	Nil	Shock	...
516	F.	Normal	Nil	Generalised oedema. Ascler	...
521	M.	Normal	Nil	Prolapse of Cord	...
532	M.	Forceps	Nil	Cerebral haemorrhage	...
533	F.	Normal	Antepartum Accidental Haemorrhage.	Prematurity	Macerated foetus.
505	M.	Normal	Rupture of uterus	Asphyxia & prematurity	...
533	F.	Breech	Syphilis	Prematurity	...
746	M.	Face presentation	Nil	Prematurity	...
754	M.	Normal	Syphilis	Prematurity	...
812	M.	Normal	Macerated	Prematurity	...
538	M.	Perforation	Obstructed labour	Prematurity	...
849	M.	Normal	Nil	Perforation	...
871	F.	Normal	Nil	Macerated	...
886	M.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	...
908	M.	Normal	Placenta Praevia	Prematurity	2nd of twins.
925	F.	P.O.P.	Nil	Prematurity	Asphyxia
927	M.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	...
975	M.	Breech	P.F.H.	Asphyxia	2nd of twins.
1004	F.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	...
1105	M.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	...
1049	F.	Perforation	Brow	Perforation	...
1078	M.	Breech	Placenta Praevia	Asphyxia.	Prematurity

STILL BIRTHS.—(Continued).

Reg. No.	Sex.	Method of delivery	Maternal Complication	Cause of Death (P.M. if done)	Remarks
T.Y.H.					
EMERGENCY					
1119	F.	Normal	A.P.H. & P.P.H.	Prematurity & Asphyxia	...
1146	M.	Normal	Nil	Unknown	...
1171	F.	Laparotomy	Rupture of uterus	Asphyxia	...
1173	F.	Normal	Nil	Unknown	...
1178	F.	Normal	Syphilis Vitamin B1 deficiency	Prematurity	...
1183	F.	Normal	Syphilis	Prematurity	...
1218	F.	Breech	Shoulder presentation	Prematurity	...
1260	M.	Perforation	Obstructed labour	Perforation	...
1297	M.	Breech	Nil	Prematurity	...
1312	F.	Forceps	Uterine inertia & transverse lie of head	Intracranial haemorrhage	...
1343	M.	Forceps	Eclampsia	Intracranial haemorrhage	...
1486	M.	Breech	Nil	Prematurity	...
1525	M.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	...
1886	M.	Forceps	Uterine inertia	Prematurity	...
1697	F.	Breech	Placenta Praevia	Prematurity	...
G.C.H.					
BOOKED					
190	M.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	Macerated foetus.
EMERGENCY					
547	M.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	Twins.
547	M.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	Twins.
7	M.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	Twins.
142	M.	Forceps	Uterine inertia	Prematurity	...
184	F.	P.O.P.	Uterine inertia	Asphyxia	...
177	F.	Forceps	Uterine inertia	Asphyxia	...
196	M.	Breech	Nil	Cerebral haemorrhage	...
217	M.	Normal	Heart disease	Prematurity	...
224	F.	Normal	Syphilis	Prematurity	...
276	F.	Normal	Nil	Macerated. Prematurity	...
301	F.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	...
308	F.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	...
325	F.	Breech	Syphilis	Macerated	...
332	F.	Normal	Syphilis	Macerated	...
336	M.	Normal	Nil	Intracranial haemorrhage	...
366	M.	Breech	Syphilis	Prematurity	...
422	M.	Normal	Syphilis	Prolapse of cord. Asphyxia	...
511	M.	Transverse to Breech	External Version	Macerated foetus. Asphyxia	...
528	M.	Normal	Nil	Asphyxia	...
585	M.	Normal	Nil	Macerated	...
631	F.	Breech	Syphilis	Prematurity	...
586	M.	Breech	Nil	Prematurity	...
696	M.	Normal	Nil	Unknown	...
730	M.	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	...
717	M.	Breech	Avitaminosis B1	Prematurity	...
646	F.	Normal	Ankylostomiasis	Asphyxia	...
					Macerated. Transverse. Prolapsed hand.
					D.A.A.
					Macerated.
					2nd of twins.

INFANT DEATHS.

42 cases.

Reg. No.	Sex	Birth Weight lb. oz.	Method of delivery	Maternal Complication	Cause of Death (P.M. if done)	Age	Method of Feeding	Remarks
T.Y.H.								
EMERGENCY								
1533/85	F.	6 0	Normal	Nil	Unknown	5 days	Breast	Syphilis.
44	M.	2 12	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	14 hrs.	—	—
52	F.	3 12	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	14 hrs.	—	—
89	M.	6 14	Normal	Nil	Unknown	24 days	Breast	—
100	M.	6 10	Breech	Nil	Asphyxia	1 hrs.	—	—
189	M.	5 0	Normal	Hydramnios & Syphilis	Prematurity	4 hrs.	—	—
289	M.	3 0	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	3 hrs.	—	—
367	M.	5 12	Normal	Nil	Unknown	46½ hrs.	Breast	—
338	M.	6 4	Forceps	Nil	Cerebral haemorrhage	35 min.	—	Uterine inertia.
506	M.	5 0	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	7 hrs.	—	—
518	F.	3 0	Precipitate labour	Nil	Prematurity	7 hrs.	—	—
519	M.	5 0	Breech	Syphilis	Ascites Prematurity	14 hrs.	—	Hydramnios.
597	M.	3 0	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	1 hr.	—	—
675	M.	5 0	Normal	Placenta Praevia	Prematurity	3 hrs.	—	—
764	M.	2 12	Breech	Erolapse of cord	Prematurity	3 hrs.	—	—
750	F.	3 8	Caesarean Section	Placenta Praevia	Prematurity	16 hrs.	—	—
857	F.	5 0	Normal	A.P.H.	Prematurity	6 hrs.	Nil	—
859	F.	6 0	Normal	Nil	Atelectasis	12 hrs.	Nil	—
937	F.	6 18	Normal	Nil	Atelectasis	3 days	Breast	—
961	M.	6 8	Normal	Oedema	Atelectasis	8 hrs.	Nil	—
968	F.	3 4	Breech	Nil	Prematurity	12 hrs.	Nil	—
1021	M.	4 4	Willett's forceps	Placenta Praevia	Septic Scalp	8 days	Breast	—
940	F.	6 0	Normal	Vitamin B1 deficiency	Cerebral haemorrhage	1 hr.	Nil	—
1303	M.	4 0	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	8 hrs.	Nil	—
1482	M.	6 6	Normal	Eclampsia	Unknown	4 days	Artificial	—
1476	F.	6 0	Normal	Nil	Intracranial haemorrhage	17 hrs.	—	—
1547	F.	6 6	Normal	Nil	Icterus gravis	7 days	Breast	Syphilis
1566	F.	3 6	Normal	Syphilis	Prematurity	4 days	Breast	—
G.C.H.								
BOOKED								
17	F.	2 14	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	1 day	Glucose	—
220	M.	5 6	Breech	Nil	Cerebral haemorrhage	4 hrs.	—	—
618	F.	3 10	Twins	Nil	Prematurity	8 hrs.	Breast	1st of twins.
EMERGENCY								
20	F.	6 0	Normal	Oedema of legs	Cerebral haemorrhage	1 day	Breast	—
175 (b)	M.	6 12	Normal	Nil	Pneumonia	3 days	—	—
194	M.	8 0	Normal	Cyst of vaginal wall	Cerebral haemorrhage	27 hrs.	—	—
218	F.	6 10	Forceps	Nil	Asphyxia	2½ hrs.	—	—
367	M.	4 12	Normal	Syphilis	Asphyxia	2 hrs.	—	—
431	F.	3 8	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	8 hrs.	—	—
457	M.	3 8	Normal	Nil	Prematurity	1 day	—	—
465	M.	3 6	Normal	Placenta praevia	Prematurity	1 day	—	—
502	F.	3 6	Breech	Hydramnios	Prematurity. Asphyxia	3½ hrs.	—	—
509	M.	6 2	Normal	Nil	Asphyxia	30 min.	—	—
717	M.	3 8	Forceps P.O.P.	Avitaminosis B1	Prematurity	6 hrs.	—	1st of twins

FOETAL ABNORMALITIES.

14 cases.

Reg. No.

T.Y.H.

EMERGENCY

186	Bilateral	Harelip	...	...	...
841	Harelip &	cleft palate	...	...	...
518	Spina	bifida	...	...	...
599	Postal	Ascites	...	...	...
505	Harelip and	cleft palate	...	...	...
648	Harelip	...	...	...	...
676	Harelip &	cleft palate	...	...	...
856	Fracture of	frontal bone (Forceps (P.O.P.)	...	...	...
961	Cleft palate &	Talipes equino varus (rt.)	...	...	...

G.C.H.

195	Hydrocephalus	...	...	...	...
210	Cleft palate and	hare lip	...	...	...
801	Hydrocephalus	...	...	...	...
856	Monster	...	...	...	...
966	Syndactylism	...	...	...	...

OPHTHALMIA.

2 cases.

Reg. No.

T.Y.H.

Number of days Treated	Remarks
7 days...	Nil
10 days...	Gonococcal.

GYNAECOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

Table No. I.	<i>T.Y.H.</i>	<i>G.C.H.</i>
Number of admissions	232	140
Number of operations	143	92

Table No. II.

Nature and Number of Operations.

Vulva :—	<i>T.Y.H.</i>	<i>G.C.H.</i>
Laceration, repair of	1	—
Lipoma of labium major, removal of	1	—
Bartholin abscess, incision of	1	—
Perineum :—		
Perineorrhaphy	2	1
Urethra :—		
Urethral Stenosis, dilatation of	—	1
Urethro-vaginal fistula, repair of	—	1
Vagina :—		
Cicatricial Stenosis, dilatation & excision	1	—
Vesico-vaginal fistula, repair of	—	5
Removal of vaginal septum (Double uterus and vagina)	—	1
Colpo-perineorrhaphy for prolapse	5	9
Uterus :—		
Curettage	23	14
(Of these for incomplete abortion there were	14	7
Hysterectomy (Subtotal)	1	4
Hysterectomy (Total)	3	2
Wertheim's Hysterectomy	2	2
Abdominal Hysterotomy	—	2
Myomectomy	1	2
Removal of fibroid polypi	—	3
Cervix :—		
Amputation of	1	—
Polypus, removal of	7	3
Cauterization (Electro) for erosion	19	15
Dilatation and Tubal insufflation	43	6
Tubes & Ovaries :—		
Ovariectomy	13	8
Salpingectomy	2	2
Salpingostomy	2	—
Salpingo-oophorectomy	4	2
Extra-uterine gestation	6	4

Miscellaneous :—	T.Y.H.	G.C.H.
Exploratory Laparotomy	2	3
Pelvic haematocoele	1	—
Abscess of pelvis	1	2
Breast abscess	1	—
Total :—	143	92

Table No. III.*Nature and Number of Cases Treated Without Operations:*

	T.Y.H.	G.C.H.
Refused operation	9	2
Constipation	—	2
Dyspepsia	1	—
Normal pregnancy	3	2
Hyperemesis gravidarum	1	1
Toxaemia of pregnancy—Hypostatic pneumonia	1	—
Pregnancy with ankylostomiasis	—	1
Ankylostomiasis	—	1
Hydatidiform mole	1	—
Carneous mole	1	—
Amenorrhoea	1	—
Dysmenorrhoea	—	1
Fibromyoma	1	—
Carcinoma of body of uterus	—	1
Carcinoma of cervix	4	5
Secondary carcinoma of vagina from carcinoma of cervix	1	—
Malignant ovarian tumour	—	1
Ovarian cyst	3	—
Neglected Post-abortion haemorrhage	1	—
Incomplete abortion	4	2
Threatened abortion	13	3
Inevitable abortion	15	3
Retained product of conception	1	—
Post abortive sepsis	1	—
Extra-uterine gestation	1	—
Endocervicitis	3	5
Prolapse	2	2
Prolapse and Primary cancer of thyroid	—	1
Rigid hymen	1	—
Imperforate hymen	1	—
Mitral Stenosis	1	—
Retroversion	4	2
Retroverted gravid uterus	1	—
Salpingo-oophoritis	7	8
Sterility	1	—
Cerebro-spinal syphilis	—	1

	<i>T.Y.H.</i>	<i>G.C.H.</i>
Syphilis	1	—
Malignant peritonitis	1	—
Pelvic peritonitis	1	—
Accidental tear of vaginal wall	1	—
Complete Hypospadias	—	1
Polyneuritis	—	1
Premature delivery, Avitaminosis B ₁	—	1
For Observation	1	1
Total :—	89	48
Mortality	7	1

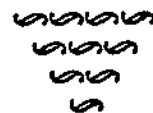
- T.Y.H.* 1. Multilocular pseudomucinous cyst—Heart failure.
 2. Sarcoma in fibroid of cervical stump following sub-total hysterectomy.
 3. Post-operative intestinal strangulation.
 4. Neglected Post-abortion haemorrhage.
 5. Incomplete abortion—Secondary anaemia.
 6. Secondary anaemia—Heart failure.
 7. Toxaemia of pregnancy—Hypostatic pneumonia.
- G.C.H.* 1. Carcinoma of cervix (Death following Wertheim's operation).

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Valva :—	<i>T.Y.H.</i>	<i>G.C.H.</i>
Laceration of	1	—
Lipoma of right labium majora	1	—
Bartholin abscess	1	—
Hymen :—		
Imperforate hymen	1	—
Rigid hymen	2	—
Perineum :—		
Laceration	2	1
Vagina :—		
Traumatic laceration	1	—
Cicatricial Stenosis	1	1
Metastatic deposits from carcinoma of cervix	1	—
Vesico-vaginal fistula	—	5
Urethra :—		
Urethro-vaginal fistula	—	1
Urethral Stenosis	—	1

	<i>T.Y.H.</i>	<i>G.C.H.</i>
Uterus :—		
Congenital—Double uterus and vagina	—	1
Acquired—Displacements—		
Retro-displacement (Retroversion)	10	1
Utero-vaginal prolapse	7	12
Retroverted gravid uterus	1	—
Disorders of pregnancy—		
Incomplete abortion	17	7
Threatened abortion	13	4
Inevitable abortion	18	5
Carneous Mole	1	—
Hydatidiform Mole	1	1
Retained products of conception	1	—
Disorders of Menstruation—		
Amenorrhoea (Secondary)	1	—
Menorrhagia	—	1
Dysmenorrhoea	9	1
Subinvolution	1	1
Metropathia Haemorrhagica	2	—
Endometrial hyperplasia	1	—
Endometritis	—	2
Tuberculous endometritis	1	—
Endometrial polyp	1	—
Neoplasms—		
Fibroid polyp	5	3
Uterine fibroid	2	7
Endometrioma of uterus	—	2
Sarcoma	1	—
Adeno-carcinoma	2	2
Cervix :—		
Erosion of cervix	18	18
Hypertrophied	1	—
Polyp	5	4
Carcinoma	7	6
Tubes & Ovaries :—		
Inflammation—		
Acute Salpingo-oophoritis	2	—
Chronic Salpingo-oophoritis	11	12
Tubo ovarian abscess	1	—
Pelvic abscess	1	3
Extra-uterine pregnancy	9	4
Pelvic haematocoele	1	—

	<i>T.Y.H.</i>	<i>G.C.H.</i>
Neoplasms—		
Follicular cyst	2	—
Ovarian pseudomucinous cystadenoma ...	15	7
Papilliferous cyst	1	—
Dermoid cyst	1	1
Fibroma	1	—
Broad ligament cyst	3	1
Carcinoma of ovary	—	1
Sterility	32	7
Miscellaneous :—		
Malignant peritonitis	1	—
Pelvic peritonitis	1	1
Neglected Post-partum haemorrhage	1	2
Breast abscess	1	—
Fibro-adenoma of breast	1	—
Heart failure (Mitral Stenosis)	1	—
Toxaemia of pregnancy-Hypostatic pneumonia	1	—
Normal pregnancy	3	3
Syphilis	1	—
Cerebro-spinal syphilis	—	1
Hyperemesis gravidarum	1	1
Dyspepsia	1	—
Constipation	—	2
Post abortum sepsis	1	—
Complete Hypospadias	—	1
Ankylostomiasis	—	1
Abdominal tumour	—	1
Polyneuritis (Avitaminosis B ₁)	—	2
Diverticulitis	—	1
For observation	1	1



THE RÔLE OF THE SUBEPITHELIAL LYMPHATIC GLANDS.

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Lymphoid tissue occurs in three different ways:—

Distribution
of Lymphoid
Tissue.

- (1) Associated with *blood vessels* in the spleen, in red bone marrow and in haemolymph glands.
- (2) In the *interstitial lymphatic* glands (1) which occur in crevices or intervals in the body. They receive lymph from large areas of the body. Efferent vessels carry the lymph eventually into the veins. The axillary, bronchial and cervical lymphatic glands are examples.
- (3) In the *subepithelial lymphatic* glands (1) which occur in certain parts of the body each immediately beneath an overlying epithelium. They receive no afferent lymphatics; but efferent vessels run from them to neighbouring interstitial lymphatic glands. The tonsils, Peyer's patches and vermiform appendix are instances of subepithelial lymphatic glands.

In the first group—associated with blood vessels—there is evidence that the lymphoid tissue receives and destroys toxins and bacteria which have entered the blood stream. These are destroyed and an excess of antibodies produced.

In the second group—the interstitial lymphatic glands—the lymphoid tissue deals similarly with any toxins and bacteria in the entering lymph. McMaster and Hudack (2) have produced evidence that agglutinins are actually manufactured in the *interstitial lymph gland*.

The action of the third group—*subepithelial lymphatic glands*—is considered in the ensuing paragraphs.

Lymphoid tissue is composed of units known as *lymph follicles*. There are two principal types of cells:—

Structure
of Lymphoid
Tissue.

- (a) A small one with darkly staining nucleus and very little cytoplasm,
- (b) A large cell having a large pale nucleus and abundant cytoplasm.

These may be termed small and large adenocytes* respectively. The small adenocytes probably pass into the blood to form the small lymphocytes there. The large adenocyte is usually identified as belonging to the reticulo-endothelial system. Some of the large adenocytes possibly

pass on to form large lymphocytes in the blood. The large adenocytes commonly are grouped in the centre of a lymph follicle, being surrounded by a zone of small adenocytes. Giant cells—giant adenocytes—also occur in lymphoid tissue in some situations in certain animals.

Ingestion of
Bacteria.
Transepithelial Migration and
Phagocytosis.

In subepithelial lymphatic glands, such as tonsils, Peyer patches, and appendix, the lymph follicles are situated beneath a delicate epithelium on the free surface of which bacteria are both numerous and active. Many of the adenocytes work their way between the overlying epithelial cells to the surface. (Figs. 1 & 2). This was described by Stohr (3) and Heidenham (4). A few break loose altogether and are swept along in the alimentary contents to be lost to the body. A much larger number however attack and engulf bacteria in contact with the epithelium. Then laden with micro-organisms these adenocytes work their way back through the epithelium once more and on to the centres of the lymph follicles with their prey. (Figs. 2 & 3). It is inside the larger adenocytes that the final stages of digestion of the bacteria takes place and that high antibacterial powers are developed. (Figs. 3, 4 & 5).

Foot-note.—*From the Greek word meaning "gland" which has often been used in connection with collections of lymphoid tissue. By using adenocyte to signify the cells in lymphatic glands, one avoids any confusion with lymphocytes in the blood-stream or elsewhere.

To quote from a discussion on the reticulo-endothelial system (5) "It is reasonable to assume that the tissue which originally destroys a foreign substance is also the origin of antibodies to it; the very process of destruction may be that in the course of which antibody formation occurs." The conveyance of the bacteria through the epithelium into the lymph follicle is known as phagotaxis (1). The intracellular digestion of the bacteria may be termed physiological phagocytosis. Why physiological? Because it is continuously occurring in healthy animals. The whole process can be called the *Ingestion of Bacteria* by the *Subepithelial Lymphatic Glands*. (10).

Many of the small adenocytes which have undertaken the transepithelial migration and have survived their encounter with bacteria pass to adjacent lymph glands and so on into the blood stream to become the small lymphocytes of the blood. Thus the subepithelial lymph glands are not only like munition factories in that they probably produce a great excess of opsonins, bacteriolysins, agglutinins and other anti-

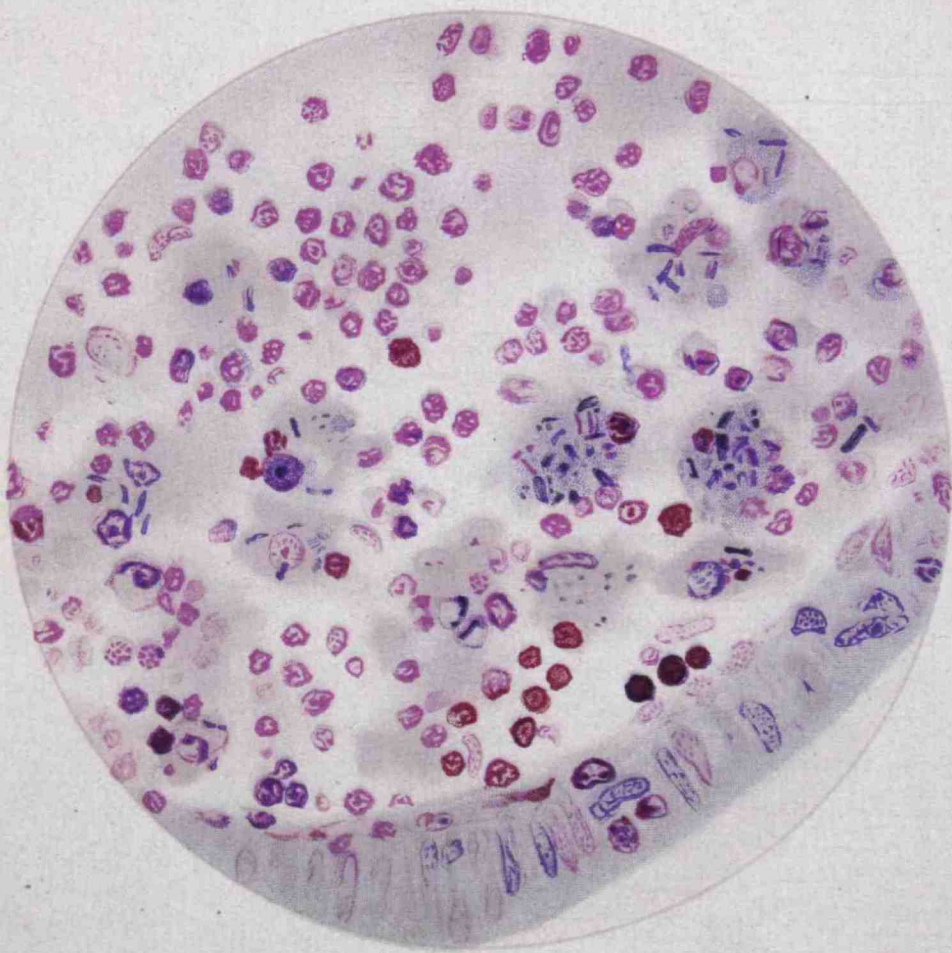


FIGURE I.

Painting by Dr. Lien Tsoong Kya of a section of a healthy rabbit's appendix stained with Gram-safranin. (1/12 inch oil immersion objective and No. 12 eyepiece—magnification 1200).

This shows:—

1. Transepithelial migration of adenocytes.
2. Physiological phagocytosis in a superficial lymph follicle.



FIGURE 2.

Painting by Dr. Lien Tsoong Kya of a section of a rabbit's appendix stained with Gram-cosin. No nuclear stain has been used.

The deep part of a calyx crypt is shown with phagotaxis through the epithelium covering a superficial lymph follicle.

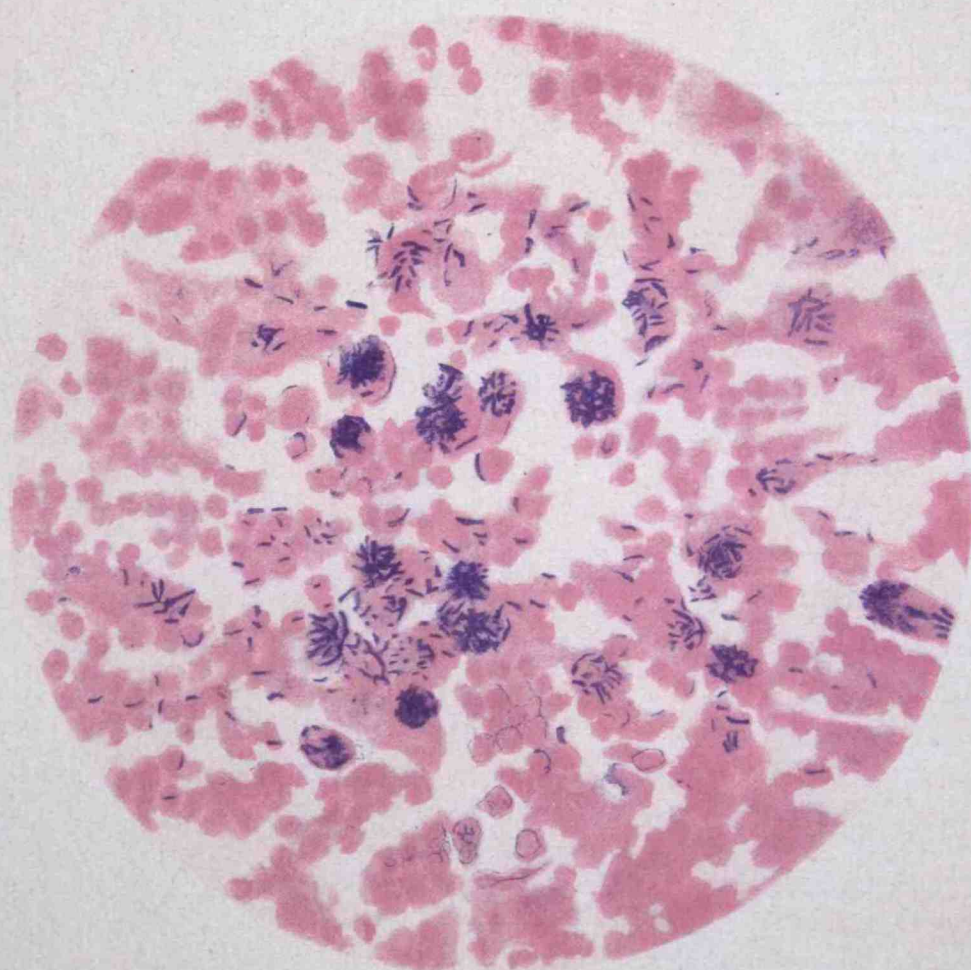


FIGURE 3.

Painting by Dr. Lien Tsoong Kya of a section of a healthy rabbit's appendix. (Gram-eosin stain—the nuclei are uncoloured).

The centre of a superficial lymph follicle is seen with numerous intracellular bacilli in the process of being destroyed.

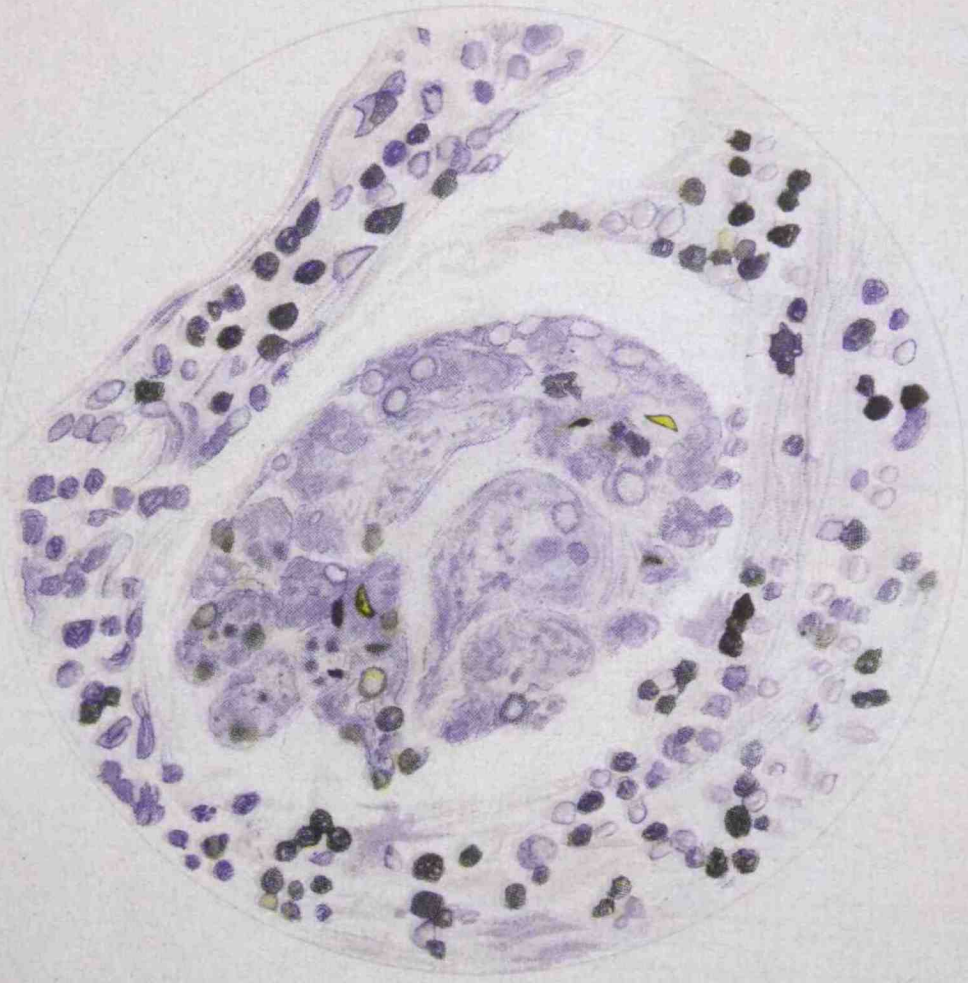


FIGURE 4.

Painting by Dr. Lien Tsoong Kya of a section of a healthy rabbit's appendix.

A mass of cells in one of the deeper lymph follicles. The cell outlines are not easily distinguished. Giant cells may be seen enclosing smaller cells. Stained bacilli are not seen in this view but debris and a few yellow refractile crystals are visible.

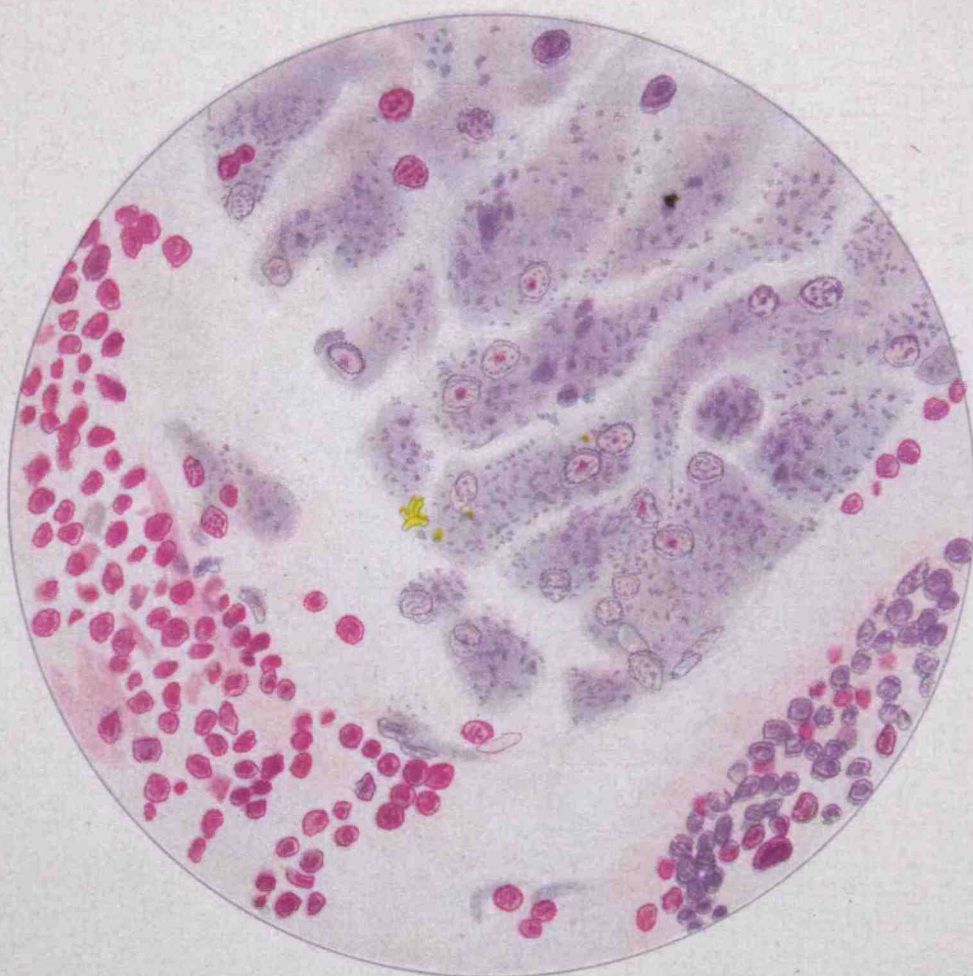


FIGURE 5.

Painting by Dr. Lien Tsoong Kya of a section of a healthy rabbit's appendix.

Part of a mass of giant adenocytes crammed with débris in one of the deeper lymph follicles.

Stained bacilli are no longer clearly recognised but the enormous adenocytes with large nuclei form a pale area contrasting with the more deeply stained lymphoid tissue around.

The cytoplasm of the giant cells includes the débris of bacteria. A clump of yellow refractile crystals and two or three nuclei of small adenocytes which have been engulfed by the giant cells are to be seen.

bacterial weapons, but they also seem analogous to police training schools or military academies in supplying the blood with cells specially trained, experienced and selectively tested in fighting the bacteria adjacent to, and therefore most likely to invade, the body.

Occasionally the enclosed bacteria may threaten the life of an adenocyte which will then in its turn be phagocyted by a giant adenocyte. Large masses of such cells loaded with debris are to be found in some animals. (Figs. 4 & 5). The masses may even be large enough to be visible to the naked eye. At other times an adenocyte may have surrounded resistant but not quickly virulent bacteria such as tubercle bacilli. With these inside them they may reach the neighbouring interstitial lymph gland with their indigestible meal. It is possible that adenocytes may enter the blood stream with bacteria inside them and convey them to those other antibacterial workshops the spleen and the bone marrow.

The presence of "enormous numbers of intestinal bacteria which in their various shapes and sizes were identical with those always present in the intestinal contents," in the lymph follicles of the rabbit's appendix and sacculus rotundus was discovered independently in 1885 by Ribbert in Germany (6) and by Bizzozzero in Italy (7). Ribbert carefully excluded the possibilities of post-mortem invasion or of mechanical carriage of organisms by the sectioning knife. Bizzozzero took control sections which showed that the passage of bacteria through the epithelium did not take place to any extent except where it overlay lymph follicles. In 1890 Ruffer, working under Pasteur and Metchnikoff in Paris (8), confirmed and amplified their observations and extended them to the Peyer's patches and tonsils of dogs and guinea pigs. In the dog's tonsils he particularly noted the presence of inert particles such as carbon as well as bacteria in the lymph follicles. In 1890 Pirera experimentally showed the ingestion of inert particles and of bacteria in human tonsils (9).

Evidence for
this Ingestion
of Bacteria.

In 1911 the writer of this note proposed on theoretical grounds that the subepithelial lymphatic glands had an immunising function (10) (11) and in 1912 began to look for bacteria in lymph follicles in Professor Lorrain Smith's laboratory in Manchester, being then unaware of the previous observations recorded above. The presence of bacteria was easily demonstrated and reported in 1913 (12). In 1919 with Professor (now Sir) Arthur Keith's kind help and encouragement a book was published (1) and the whole subject has been elaborated in later papers (13).

In 1935 Dr. Gordon Thompson of the Lester Institute of Medical Research in Shanghai observed bacteria in the lymph follicles of appendices of rabbits on a special deficiency diet. (At present unpublished).

The demonstration in rabbits is facilitated by the fact that the principal intestinal bacteria are Gram-positive bacilli. The appendices must be removed immediately on killing the animals, fixed in alcohol and stained with Gram-eosin. The nuclei are better left unstained, and the Gram stain must be used delicately, as the bacteria undergoing phagocytosis decolour rather readily.

The specimens illustrated in the present paper were exhibited at the Pathological Society of Great Britain and Ireland in July 1936. I am indebted to my colleague, Professor L. J. Davis, for help and advice with the microscopical preparations and to Dr. T. K. Lien for the paintings.

Auto-
Immunising
Stations.

The subepithelial lymphatic glands are thus the auto-immunising stations of the body. (10). They develop and maintain a high degree of immunity towards the bacteria of the alimentary canal. They provide early defensive measures against pathogenic bacteria which come in contact with the weaker coverings of the body.

Immunity
Acquired
during
Health.

When a fresh infection attacks a community for the first time the ravages are widespread and serious. Subsequent attacks of the same infectious disease are far less serious for the community has become less susceptible. This rise in the general level of immunity may be due to the fact that many of the most susceptible had succumbed to the disease, that others moderately susceptible had contracted the disease but recovered with resulting immunity. But there is another factor: most of those who have escaped an illness have yet been exposed to contact with the virus and have developed some degree of immunity. Thus in a school where diphtheria is endemic, Dudley has shown that the percentage of immune children increases with each year at the school apart from attacks of the disease (14). And it is of significance that this healthily acquired immunity was not manifested in a small group of boys from whom nasopharyngeal and faucial tonsils had been completely removed. (15). Moreover it has been shown by Collins (16) that disease or removal of the tonsils increases the liability to bronchitis, pneumonia, rheumatism, heart diseases, ear diseases and cervical adenitis; and that the incidence rate for measles, mumps, whooping cough and chicken pox is increased significantly in children

whose tonsils have been removed. Even if the virulence or the dose of the bacteria be overwhelming the subepithelial lymphatic glands bear the brunt of the attack and permit the building up of some protection for the general system. The increased number of small lymphocytes in the blood in infectious diseases where the subepithelial lymphatic glands are specially involved supports this point.

It should be remembered that the subepithelial lymphatic glands are largest and most active in the young when immunity against many infectious diseases is being acquired. (10).

The administration of bacterial cultures by the mouth in appropriate doses will produce immunity against the bacteria. This has been shown to be the case for typhoid and paratyphoid fevers, (17, 18 & 19), for Malta fever, and for bacillary dysentery (20) and possibly for tuberculosis. Immunity in animals against pneumococci can be attained by oral vaccines as shown by the protection afforded against multiple lethal doses of pneumococci injected intraperitoneally. (21). It has been shown in man that agglutinins appear in the blood after oral vaccination in the case of bacillus typhosus, and bacillus paratyphosus by Hoffstadt and Thompson (22) and others quoted by Thomson, Thomson, and Thompson (23), and in the case of Pfeiffer's bacillus influenzae and streptococci. (23). Oral
Vaccines.

Further literature concerning the protective action of oral vaccines in coryza, typhoid, cholera and bacillary dysentery can be cited. (34). But the author has only seen abstracts of these and has not yet been able to study the full papers.

We know that bacilli are rendered harmless and taken up whole by phagotaxis into the subepithelial lymphatic glands and little if at all elsewhere. It is hardly credible that their mere presence in the lumen of the alimentary canal could produce immunity, and the conclusion is that oral vaccines produce their good effect by virtue of the subepithelial lymphatic glands.

Such is a very brief survey of the beneficent activities of the subepithelial lymphatic glands.

In man the subepithelial lymphatic glands include faucial, nasopharyngeal and lingual tonsils, the solitary follicles of the lesser curvature of the stomach, of the duodenum, jejunum, ileum and large intestine, the Peyer's patches and the vermiform appendix. Other collections of subepithelial Occurrence
in Man.

lymphoid tissue occur; for instance beneath the conjunctiva of the upper eyelid, and beneath the ciliated epithelium of the trachea and bronchi. It will be seen that subepithelial lymphoid tissue is found not beneath the skin with its tough corium but (i) where the epithelium is delicate and absorbing, (ii) where fresh strains of bacteria first arrive (iii) where bacteria are most active and numerous.

Development
of the
Subepithelial
Lymphatic
Glands.

The biological development of these subepithelial lymphatic glands is full of interest. Wandering phagocytic cells occur in the tissues of invertebrates. These attack and engulf invading bacteria, but no definite subepithelial groups have been described. In the lowest vertebrates—fishes—the wandering amoebocytes are numerous in the loose tissues beneath the delicate respiratory epithelium of the gills but permanent encapsulated collections beneath the epithelium do not occur. Nor, save in rudimentary form, have they been described in amphibians or snakes.

This is hardly surprising. Should a subepithelial lymph collection continually ingest bacteria from the alimentary canal in a cold blooded animal, a great fall in external temperature, resulting in a considerable drop in body temperature, would adversely affect the complex lymphoid tissue more than it would the lowly organised bacteria. So that even mild bacteria ingested might begin to overcome the adenocytes.

But in the warm blooded birds and mammals the evolution of the subepithelial lymphatic glands is successful. We can fairly suppose that where pathogenic bacteria lie close to delicate absorbing epithelia defensive phagocytic cells would collect being attracted chemiotactically, and serving to resist any chance invasion. Where a uniform temperature favourable to the phagocytes was maintained, any genetic variation whereby lymphocytes became permanently stationed under the epithelium, constantly passing to and fro between the epithelial cells, sampling the intestinal contents and thus raising the general resistance—any such genetic variation would tend to persist on account of the great benefit to the individual possessing it. And further variations in the direction of providing local backwaters or blind recesses where (i) the bacteria could incubate; (ii) adenocytes could reach the surface without danger of being swept away; and (iii) where the surface of contact between lymphoid tissue and epithelium could be enormously increased—would tend to be encouraged by natural selection. Thus one envisages the evolution of the tubular appendix in some animals, of

the recessed Peyer's patches in ruminants, of the tubular tonsil which occurs in many animals, of the clefts of the nasopharyngeal tonsil, of the crypts of the faucial tonsils in man and of the calyx recesses in the wall of the rabbits appendix.

It may be noted that mechanisms exist for the periodical emptying of these stagnant areas. Thus the musculature of the appendix can cause its evacuation, whilst the contents of the tonsillar crypts tend to be squeezed out during certain movements of the throat. During swallowing the surrounding muscles push the tonsil between the pillars into the throat but when the tonsillo-pharyngeus contracts at the same time as the surrounding muscles, the tonsil cannot escape the pressure, and the contents of the crypts are squeezed out. Moreover when organisms of great virulence are growing in these blind areas very many more adenocytes pass out through the epithelium than ever return, and fighting with the bacteria may gradually destroy them.

Clearing
Mechanism.

It is probable that excessively pathogenic organisms destroy or repel the adenocytes before phagocytosis can take place, and no lymphoid ingestion by phagotaxis occurs. In that way the subepithelial lymph glands are at times automatically thrown out of action when called upon to bear so great a strain that they would inevitably be overcome.

"Cut Out"
Mechanism.

The following account of the comparative anatomy of the subepithelial lymphatic glands is based on the works and observations of Huntington (24), Berry (25), Hett (26), Hett and Butterfield (27), Cave (28), Alagna (29), Owen (30), and the present writer (1) and on the excellent collection of specimens in the Hunterian Museum of the Royal College of Surgeons of England.

Comparative
Anatomy.

It has already been stated that the subepithelial lymphatic glands are found in a highly developed state only in the warm-blooded birds and mammals—the apices of evolution up to the present. The best known example of subepithelial lymphatic glands in birds is presented by the paired avian caeca at the junction of small and large intestine. They are almost universally present. These avian caeca have walls thickened in part or throughout by a layer of subepithelial lymphoid tissue. Nasopharyngeal lymphoid tissue has also been described in birds.

Throughout the class of mammals with hardly any exceptions subepithelial lymphoid tissue is distributed as solitary lymph follicles scattered along nearly the whole

length of the alimentary canal and large collections occur at the fauces, along the ileum and in the caecum. The nasopharyngeal tonsil exists in many mammals. In the sheep there is a tonsil on the posterior part of the septum.

The faucial tonsils sometimes as in man present themselves as a protuberant mass pitted with deep crypts. In other mammals, as the rabbit, a blind tonsillar tube lined by subepithelial lymphoid tissue runs in a forward direction.

Similarly at the caecum the subepithelial lymphatic tissue presents itself at the apex of the caecum sometimes as a tube lined by lymphoid tissue the vermiform appendix, at other times, dog, cat, lion, lynx, as an inwardly projecting caecal tonsil. Nearly all mammals contain subepithelial lymphoid tissue in the caecum in some form or other.

A vermiform appendix is present in a larger number of mammals than is generally known. It occurs in:—

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| Monotremes | —echidna tachyglossus (anteater) | |
| Marsupials | —phascolarctus cinereus (koala) | |
| | phascolymis wombat (wombat) | |
| | phascolymis mitchelli (wombat) | |
| | trichosurus vulpinus (phalanger) | |
| Ungulates | —babirusa (boar) | |
| | dicotyles torquatus (peccary) | |
| | tapirus americanus (tapir) | |
| Rodents | —avricola amphibius (water vole) | |
| | castor fiber (beaver) | |
| | carpuncho capybara (a very large rodent) | |
| | cercolabes | |
| | erythizon dorsatus (Canadian porcupine) | |
| | jerboa sagitta (jerboa) | |
| | lepus cuniculus (rabbit) | |
| | lepus timidus (hare) | |
| | mypotamus (South African water rat) | |
| Carnivores | —felis pardalis (puma) | |
| | herpestes griseus (ichneumon) | |
| | viverra civetta (civet) | |
| | chiromys madagascarensis (aye-aye monkey) | |
| | lemur catta (ringtailed) | } lemurs |
| | lemur anjuanensis | |
| | lemur macaco | |
| | nycticebus javanicus | } lorises |
| | nycticebus tardigradus (slow) | |

Lower Anthropoids—*New World Monkeys.*

ateles (spider monkey)
 hapale pencillata (marmoset)
 lagothrix

Old World Monkeys.

cercopithecus pencillatus
 cercopithecus tantallus

Higher Anthropoids—

anthropithecus troglodytes (chimpanzee)
 hylobates leniscus } (gibbons)
 hylobates lar }
 gorilla savagei (gorilla)
 simia satyrus (orang-outan)

Hominidae —homo sapiens (man).

Peyer's patches are of widespread occurrence. In the pig they are said to be replaced by a strip of subepithelial lymphoid tissue several feet long.

In rodents, such as the rabbit, the hare, the doormouse and chichilla laniger, two further subepithelial lymphatic glands occur at the junction of the small and large intestines—that is on either side of the ileocecal valve. The ileal gland, sometimes occupying a pouching of the ileum known as the saccus endolymphaticus lies in the long axis of the ileum; the caecal gland lies in the adjacent caecal wall with the axis at right angles to the axis of the ileal gland. This latter is in a pouched part of the caecum in the hare which even, it is said, becomes a second appendix in lagomys pusillus. (I have however been unable to trace this animal). The ileo-caecal patches also appear in the sheep and the giraffe, and the ileal one lies in a slight pouch of the mucous membrane.

Lymphoid tissue in the caecum may be

1. terminal, as a vermiform appendix,
 or as an inwardly projecting caecal tonsil.
2. basal, as one of the ileo-caecal patches.
3. lateral, as in rats and mice.

Just as lymph follicles appear late in the evolutionary Embryology.
 scale of animals, so also they appear late in the development of the individual. In the tonsillar region lymph follicles begin to appear just before birth; in the caecal region they are first seen directly after birth and develop rapidly with the growth of alimentary bacteria.

**Advantageous
Balance.**

So far this paper has dealt only with the beneficent activities of the subepithelial lymphatic glands. They act at times, however, in maleficent and deleterious ways. Yet there can be no doubt whatever that their benefits outweigh their disadvantages or they could not have developed and persisted in the two highest classes of vertebrates.

Pathology.

It is not surprising in view of the dangerous nature of their important and beneficial work, that the subepithelial lymphatic glands should sometimes fail and even occasionally in their failure themselves become a threat to the bodily welfare. It is interesting to consider how this may come about.

**Subepithelial
Lymph Gland
Disease.**

The subepithelial lymphatic glands may give trouble in the following ways:—

- (1) *Excessive increase in size.*
- (2) *Acute inflammation.*
- (3) *Recurrent inflammation.*
- (4) *Chronic inflammation.*
- (5) *Malfunction from cicatrization following inflammation.*
- (6) *Portals of entry of disease.*
- (7) *Chronic foci of infection.*

**Excessive
Increase in
Size.**

Over activity leads to hyperplasia—the whole gland enlarges. In some cases the enlargement may be so great as to set up mechanical troubles: (a) when the nasopharyngeal tonsil is involved in children the nasopharynx may become obstructed, mouth breathing replaces nose breathing and the development of the nasal cavities and of the upper dental arch is retarded: (b) when the lowest Peyer's patch in infants enlarges it projects into the lumen of the ileum and may be gripped by a peristaltic wave and an intussusception be initiated: (c) when the subconjunctival lymph follicles enlarge in trachoma the cornea is irritated and the results may be serious. (It is however by no means clear that all the granules of trachoma represent preexisting subepithelial lymph follicles.

**Acute
Inflammation.**

Unfortunately it sometimes happens that the ingested bacteria overpower the adenocytes in one or more lymph follicles. The local blood vessels dilate and polymorphonuclear leucocytes join in the fray. An acute lymphadenitis is probably the starting point of acute tonsillitis, gastric and duodenal ulcer typhoid, and paratyphoid fevers, tuberculous enteritis, acute appendicitis and some forms of dysentery. When the infecting

organisms are pyogenic the lymph follicle becomes a small abscess. Owing to the superficial situation of the lymph follicle the abscess bursts into the lumen and a small ulcer forms. Often in appendicitis where many follicles are affected numerous small abscesses or ulcers may be seen.

These ulcers of the subepithelial lymph follicles probably heal quickly in most instances, but not always. Where the ulcer is exposed to the gastric juice for instance the hydrochloric acid may rapidly eat through the whole thickness of the wall and a perforation occur. Or an artery may be breached and severe haemorrhage follow. Sometimes the extreme virulence of the infecting organism may produce similar disasters. Perforation will occur in appendicitis and both haemorrhage and perforation in typhoid fever. Occasionally the submucous abscess may burrow deeply and burst the other way from the lumen causing a localised peritoneal abscess in the case of the appendix, a peritonsillar abscess or quinsy with the faucial tonsil, an acute retropharyngeal abscess with the nasopharyngeal tonsil and deep submaxillary cellulitis (Ludwig's angina) with the lingual tonsil. The greater frequency of the first of these—quinsy—may be associated with the deep crypts with their liability to become blocked.

In some of the subepithelial lymphatic glands one acute attack seems to predispose to further attacks. This may be due to minute damage to the follicles or overlying epithelium. But often it is the sequel of cicatricial contraction resulting from ulceration in the first attack. This cicatricial contraction may cause stenosis of the tubular appendix or of a tonsillar crypt leading to stagnation or distension or excessive decomposition distally or to inspissation and calcification of contents with formation of concretions.

Recurrent
Inflammation.

Sometimes the nature of the infecting organism leads to chronicity. Thus dysenteric and tuberculous ulcers tend to persist. Tuberculous disease of Peyer's patches is much more common than tuberculosis of tonsils and appendix. As has been recalled previously the sluggish tubercle bacilli are often transmitted to a neighbouring interstitial lymph gland before they overcome the adenocytes. Thus tuberculous disease of the upper deep cervical glands of the mesenteric glands and of the ileo-colic glands are more frequent than tuberculosis of the tonsils, Peyer's patches and vermiform appendix respectively.

Chronic
Inflammation.

Actinomycosis is an occasional cause of chronic inflammation of the vermiform appendix.

Trachoma has been referred to as an hypertrophy. It is however partly a chronic inflammation also.

The acid gastric juice will sometimes cause chronicity in a simple ulcer from subepithelial lymphadenitis of the lesser curvature and of the first part of the duodenum.

Pyogenic organisms by themselves do not usually cause *chronic* inflammation of subepithelial lymphoid tissue.

The so called "chronic appendicitis" is far more often malfunction due to scar tissue than chronic inflammation.

Malfunction
from Cicatriza-
tion following
Inflammation.

The tonsils frequently show fibrosis even though inflammatory attacks have been infrequent. The vermiform appendix by the time the age of sixty has been reached shows cicatrization, stenosis or adhesions in over 50% of people, generally in the absence of a history of clinically recognisable attacks of appendicitis. (32). The physiological immunising action of the subepithelial lymphatic glands frequently passes on to slight pathological processes which leave cicatrices behind. Apart from predisposing to further and maybe more serious inflammatory attacks, the scars may interfere mechanically with the movements of the organ itself or of a neighbouring organ. Thus it is probable that a stricture of the appendix or adhesions thereto may hinder the evacuation of its contents and cause muscular tension in the wall distal to the obstruction; this may lead to local pain and tenderness or may reflexly lead to a spasmodic hold-up of some part of the alimentary tract and so to gastric or ileal or caecal or colonic stasis. Or a concretion in the appendix distal to the obstruction may be a source of trouble. Or the appendix adherent at some point may act as an anchor interfering with the free movement of the caecum. In these and other ways old scarring may lead to malfunction causing symptoms.

The difficulty is to tell when we are dealing with such a case. It is well known that many other conditions will cause pain and tenderness in the right iliac fossa. And scarring of the appendix obvious to the naked eye is so common in adults (25% in all cases, but rare in children)—according to Birmingham, quoted by Shennan. (32). Yet it is the exception for such scarring to cause symptoms. We cannot *for certain* say that an appendix is malfunctioning to the point of producing symptoms, even when X-ray examination shows a filling defect or immobility to palpation or delayed evacuation. Nor even directly after removal when we actually see stenosis or adhesions of the appendix

can we be sure that it was the source of the trouble for we know that these lesions are frequently present with no accompanying symptoms. It is a truism that all other possible causes should be excluded as far as possible before removing an appendix for chronic right lower abdominal pain, if one is to keep at the minimum number those disturbing cases where symptoms persist after removal of the organ.

As in this paper gastric and duodenal ulcer are ascribed initially to inflammation of subepithelial lymph nodes, the late results of scarring of these ulcers namely pyloric obstruction and hour-glass stomach should be included under the heading of malfunction from cicatrization.

Clinical experience leads one to think that infection not infrequently enters the body via the subepithelial lymphatic glands, even though these may have shown no signs of disease, or perhaps only a slight transitory lesion. Reference has already been made to tuberculosis of the upper deep cervical and of the mesenteric glands. Other forms of tuberculous disease have a similar source. Acute suppuration of the upper deep cervical glands occasionally follows acute tonsillitis. Rheumatic endocarditis may be preceded by tonsillitis; and so on.

Portals of Entry.

A recognition of all this however does not *necessarily* justify removal of the subepithelial lymphatic gland concerned. If a burglar breaks into a house through a certain doorway, one does not take the door off its hinges. And though this analogy must not be taken too seriously, yet it may well be that an illness due to an invasion via one of the subepithelial lymphatic glands is far less serious than an invasion through some less well protected mucous membranes, and that the brunt of the attack has been borne by such gland and that some degree of immunity—even if insufficient to abort the trouble—has been conferred before the general invasion of the body.

A very attractive and popular theory has been that one or other of the subepithelial lymph glands may act as a chronic focus of disease from which periodical invasions of the general system take place. The outpost, it is supposed, has been captured and now serves to shelter forces of the enemy which use it as a base for further raids at long intervals. The cul-de-sac arrangement of many of the subepithelial lymphatic glands, the liability to acute inflammatory attacks often leading to contracting scars which tend to block the blind tubes leaving stagnation or even buried abscesses

Chronic Foci of Infection.

would appear to predispose to the formation of such chronic foci.

Retention abscesses or cysts however are not very common and when present do not appear to have acted as chronic foci. Moreover, as long as lymphoid tissue remains, such foci would be surrounded by excellent antibacterial defences. Nevertheless the view has proved very appealing. The faucial tonsils have been removed for acute rheumatic endocarditis, for chronic fibro- and osteo-arthritis, for chronic nephritis and for a host of other chronic lesions characterised by intermittent exacerbations. Clearly the infection is remaining in the system and the question becomes "Is it sheltering on the one hand in the vegetations on the cardiac valves or in the structures of the damaged joints or in the tissues of the diseased kidneys respectively; or on the other hand does it lurk in the recesses of some subepithelial lymph gland?" Does amelioration of such chronic diseases follow removal of some subepithelial lymph gland—as a possible chronic focus—more often than in cases not so treated? Only the most carefully collected statistics can supply satisfactory answers to these questions. Kaiser has produced valuable evidence on these lines (33).

Significance
of the Auto-
Immunising
Theory.

It must be admitted that the theory of the immunising function of the subepithelial lymphatic glands has not been absorbed nor perhaps even accepted by the medical profession. From a philosophical point of view, the theory clears up the baffling problems of the etiology of appendicitis and tonsillitis. It dissipates the perplexing anomaly of these organs being so frequently the site of serious and even fatal illness and yet developing and persisting in the highest types of animals.

Effects of
Acceptance
of the Theory.

One of the effects of a general acceptance of the views expressed in this paper would be the impetus given to oral vaccination. That a high degree of immunity to many diseases can be acquired by oral administration of dead bacteria is certain. The employment of the natural organs for acquiring immunity—namely the subepithelial lymphatic glands—has however not been comprehensively studied. To bring the circumpharyngeal ring of lymphoid tissue into full play vaccines might have to be run into the nose and brought back into the mouth and then gargled before being finally swallowed. To utilise the extensive lymphoid tissue in the intestines the destructive action of the acid gastric juice must be combatted, whether by coating with keratin or by administering the vaccine with bile which neutralises the acidity in, and ensures the rapid emptying of, the stomach.

In surgical work oral vaccination of the particular bacteria cultivated from the patients own suppurating wounds should be tried. Preoperative oral vaccination by stock pyogenic cultures might be a useful routine procedure. Oral vaccination by dead tubercle bacilli as prophylaxis or treatment of tuberculosis disease requires further trial.

On the negative side the conceptions here advocated will have a slightly conservative tendency with regard to the removal of tonsils and appendix.

But this statement must not be misunderstood. Because the tonsils, for instance, have an important function it does not follow that when diseased they may not be removed. The very nature of their work exposes them peculiarly to disease. Moreover the abundance of other subepithelial lymphoid tissue left may take over the work of one diseased part removed. A still closer and more critical study of what constitutes disease justifying removal is indeed demanded. Certainly not the presence of bacteria in the crypts of the tonsils nor even in the lymph follicles. Not the presence of lymphocytes in the crypts. And not merely scarring or fibrosis.

There can be no two sides with regard to the necessity for removing an acutely inflamed appendix. Chronic appendicular malfunction, is however a more difficult problem.

Further critical study of the symptoms of an appendix malfunctioning so as to need excision is required. And while, when the abdomen has been opened on such a diagnosis it is wiser to remove an appendix which looks normal to the naked eye from the outside, yet if the abdomen has been opened for some other condition, the appendix appears normal and there have been no symptoms referable to that organ then it should not be removed. In other words it is not sound surgery to remove an apparently healthy appendix merely because the abdomen is open and there are a few minutes to spare. It can no longer be said that the appendix is useless, might become inflamed one day and is therefore better out in everybody.

1. This paper groups together tonsils, adenoids, Peyer's patches, solitary follicles, vermiform appendix and similar structures into one system—the subepithelial lymphatic glands. Summary.
2. It asserts that they all share a precise and definite function—namely that of automatically immunising the body during health against adjacent bacteria.

3. It states that the mechanism of this immunisation in health is by phagotaxis and physiological phagocytosis on the part of the lymph corpuscles here called adenocytes.
4. It also claims that susceptible persons exposed to an epidemic tend to acquire immunity physiologically—altogether apart from contracting the disease; and that this power of healthy immunisation is impaired by damage or removal of subepithelial lymph glands.
5. It declares that the subepithelial lymph glands are most widely distributed and most complexly developed in the two highest classes of vertebrates namely birds and mammals, the warm-blooded animals.
6. It points out that the immunising nature of their work peculiarly exposes the subepithelial lymphatic glands to certain diseases: a. excessive enlargement acute, recurrent and chronic inflammation, malfunction from cicatrisation, acting as portals of entry of disease and, possibly, acting as chronic foci of disease.
7. Some of the effects of acceptance of these views are discussed.

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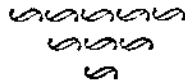
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1. CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.

11. PERICARDIUM.

- 11.32.9. Chronic pericarditis, milk spots.
- 11.32.10. Acute pericarditis.

13. ENDOCARDIUM.

- 13.3.16. Chronic endocarditis with button-hole stenosed mitral valve.
- 13.3.17. Acute endocarditis.
- 13.3.18. Sub-acute bacterial endocarditis.

14. HEART AS A WHOLE.

- 14.51.1. Primary anaemia—thrush breast.
- 14.62.3. Fatty degeneration.
- 14.8.1. Rupture, root of aorta, anterior surface.
- 14.8.2. Rupture, root of aorta, posterior surface.

15. ARTERIES.

- 15.37.14. Aortic aneurysm with laminated clot.
- 15.37.15. Syphilitic aortitis.
- 15.37.16. Aorta—atheromatous ulcers.

2. RESPIRATORY SYSTEM.

22. LARYNX.

- 22.35.2. Diphtheria—false membrane.

24. LUNGS.

- 24.36.18. Chronic caseous tuberculosis and pleurisy.
- 24.36.19. Miliary tuberculosis.
- 24.36.20. Miliary tuberculosis and caseous bronchial glands.
- 24.78.4. Sarcoma—secondary.
- 24.78.5. Sarcoma—secondary.

34. PLEURA.

- 25.32.4. Chronic thickened pleura.

3. DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.**31. TEETH.**

- 31.74.4. Odontome.

34. STOMACH.

- 34.65.7. Perforated pyloric ulcer.
34.79.5. Carcinoma, pyloric portion.

35. INTESTINES.

- 35.18.1. Pancreatic rest in jejunum.
35.31.1. Acute ulcerative colitis.
35.35.4. Ulceration in typhoid fever.
35.46.6. Amoebiasis, colon.
35.79.4. Adenocarcinoma of colon with intussusception.
35.79.5. Carcinoma rectum, infiltrative growth.
35.84.3. Intussusception with adenocarcinoma of colon.

36. PERITONEUM AND MESENTERY.

- 36.36.2. Tuberculosis omentum.
36.73.2. Myxoma of mesentery.
36.78.2. Retroperitoneal myxo-fibrosarcoma.

37. LIVER.

- 37.22.5. Chronic venous congestion.
37.39.10. Multilobular cirrhosis.
37.39.11. Multilobular cirrhosis (early).
37.39.12. Multilobular cirrhosis.
37.46.1. Rabbit liver, coccidiosis.
37.46.2. Malaria.
37.47.3. Clonorchis sinensis in bile ducts.
37.47.4. Clonorchis sinensis in bile ducts.
37.64.3. Intrahepatic stone formation.
37.78.5. Sarcoma—secondary.
37.79.12. Carcinoma.
37.79.13. Primary carcinoma.
37.79.14. Primary carcinoma, hepatoma.
37.79.15. Secondary carcinoma.

38. GALL BLADDER AND BILE DUCTS.

- 38.56.1. Thickened gall bladder, beri-beri.

39. PANCREAS.

- 39.79.1. Adenocarcinoma, head of pancreas.

4. HAEMOPOIETIC AND DUCTLESS GLANDS.

41. BONE MARROW.

- 41.51.4. Primary anaemia.

42. LYMPH NODES.

- 42.36.6. Tuberculous mesenteric glands.
42.48.1. Lymphatic gland, filariasis.

43. SPLEEN.

- 43.46.2. Malaria.
43.35.1. Typhoid spleen.

45. THYROID.

- 45.52.3. Exophthalmic goitre.
45.52.4. Exophthalmic goitre.
45.57.1. Simple goitre.
45.57.2. Simple goitre.
45.74.3. Adenoma.
45.79.3. Adenocarcinoma.

47. ADRENAL.

- 47.22.2. Congestion of medulla.
47.23.1. Haemorrhage in medulla.

5. UROGENITAL SYSTEM.

51. KIDNEYS.

- 51.22.3. Chronic venous congestion.
51.22.4. Chronic venous congestion.
51.32.4. Diffuse suppurative nephritis, pyaemia.
51.32.5. Diffuse suppurative nephritis, pyaemia.
51.64.7. Single calculus in upper pole.
51.64.8. Calculus in pelvis with hydronephrosis.
51.67.4. Pyonephrosis.
51.79.8. Hypernephroma.
51.79.9. Hypernephroma.

54-9. MALE GENITALIA.

- 56.79.7. Epithelioma of penis.
56.79.8. Epithelioma of penis.
56.79.9. Epithelioma of penis.
58.37.2. Gumma of testis.
58.0.2. Testis, teratoma.

6. FEMALE GENITALIA.

62. VAGINA.

- 62.74.1. Cervical polyp.

63. UTERUS.

- 63.73.9. Fibroid.
- 63.73.10. Fibroma.
- 63.73.11. Fibromyoma.
- 63.73.12. Fibromyoma.
- 63.73.13. Fibroid.
- 63.73.14. Fibroid.
- 63.74.1. Adenomyoma.
- 63.78.1. Fibromyoma undergoing sarcomatous change.
- 63.78.2. Sarcoma.
- 63.79.4. Adenocarcinoma, body of uterus.
- 63.79.5. Carcinoma, cervix.
- 63.79.6. Carcinoma, body of uterus.
- 63.79.7. Carcinoma, cervix.
- 63.79.8. Adenocarcinoma, cervix.
- 63.79.9. Endocervical carcinoma.

64. FALLOPIAN TUBES.

- 64.77.1. Fimbrial cyst.

65. OVARY AND PAROVARIUM.

- 65.73.1. Fibroma of ovary.
- 65.77.5. Lutein cyst.
- 65.77.6. Pseudomucinous grape-like cystadenoma.
- 65.77.7. Parovarian cyst.
- 65.79.5. Papillary cystadenocarcinoma.
- 65.79.6. Papillary cystadenocarcinoma.
- 65.0.4. Teratoma of ovary.
- 65.0.5. Teratoma of ovary.

67. BREAST.

- 67.74.8. Fibroadenoma.
- 67.78.7. Spindle-celled sarcoma.
- 67.79.19. Adenocarcinoma.
- 67.79.20. Scirrhous carcinoma.
- 67.79.21. Carcinoma.
- 67.79.22. Colloid carcinoma.

68. GENERATIVE SYSTEM IN PREGNANCY.

- 68.62.1. Hydatidiform mole.

7. NERVOUS SYSTEM.**71. MEMBRANES.**

- 71.79.1. Hypernephroma, secondary.

76. NERVES.

- 76.78.1. Sarcoma.

78. EYE.

78.79.1. Carcinoma.

8. MUSCULO-CUTANEOUS SYSTEM.**81. SKIN.**

81.35.2. Skin, leprosy.

81.74.2. Papilloma.

85. FASCIA.

85.73.6. Lipoma.

85.73.7. Lipoma.

85.73.8. Fibro-lipoma of back.

85.73.9. Fibroma of abdominal wall.

85.78.5. Fibrosarcoma of thigh.

85.78.6. Myxosarcoma of buttock.

9. OSSEOUS AND ARTICULAR SYSTEM.**91. BONES OF CRANIUM.**

91.37.4. Syphilitic periostitis.

91.67.1. Hydrocephalus.

91.78.1. Sarcoma, secondary.

91.79.1. Hypernephroma, secondary.

91.82.2. Healed fracture, frontal bone.

94. STERNUM.

94.78.1. Sarcoma, secondary.

96. BONES OF UPPER EXTREMITY.

96.73.1. Cancellous osteoma, fourth metacarpus.

98. BONES OF LOWER EXTREMITY.

98.61.1. Fibula, atrophy—sarcoma of leg.

98.78.2. Sarcoma of upper end of tibia.

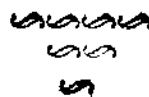
98.78.3. Sarcoma, secondary—upper end of femur.

98.78.4. Periosteal sarcoma of lower end of femur.

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98.82.3. Fibula, healed fracture.

98.88.1. Foot, congenital abnormality due to pressure by amniotic bands.



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