

Some Transcribed Notes* on Postmortem
Examination of Dr. Spurzheim.

*Not all are decipherable.

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did Autopsy.

Examination of the Body of

Dr. Spurzheim.

Died November 10, 1832 - age 56.

Stranger. Philanthropist rendered ill by effort.

2. Notun (?)

1. in 1808

Report of Institute.

1. Examination of heart - brain
2. Prepared in alcohol
3. Brain of animals

2. Deduction

1. Mode more sensitive because stoutish
2. ---- ---- demonstrated by them. --- --- ---
3. Nerves originate not from Brain, but Medulla.
Optic -- ---- gn seen in Birds.

Lectures of Dr. S. confirm this impression.

Decussation of Pyramids.

Dr. Spurzheim's --- on --- of ---- Indians.

Dr. Spurzheim's attack.

1. Chill after lecture
2. Lecture after illness
3. State of fever
without --- effutem.
4. Latter part ---- by affection of ---
seitrisss
stupor
agitation of --
subsultus
spasm
difficult deglutition.

Assemblage of friends

1. Appointment of Comm.
2. Committee of Physicians
Question of public examination.

Appearances in Fever.

1. Rigid --
2. -----

Brain

Dura mater of dark color - bleeding points.

Arachnoidea

thickened, opaque and watery.

Pia mater

Large veins distended. small vessels empty

Brain - firm. Weight 55 1/8 oz. 1563 grams.
without fluids or dura.

Thorax

Pericardium

sometimes injected - water

Lungs

Natural color

-extremely greasy

-intensely white

Morbid

-collection of blood

-mucus in cells.

Abdomen

Omentum - fat

Stomach - moderately

-Light brown ---

-Mucus coat reddish

Brain ---

Morbid

1. Injection of large vessels.
2. Mucous coat inflamed

Liver -

Natural color - dark red
Consistence homogenous - not granulated

Gall Bladder-

Patent - yellow-green
morbid - watery
- ---
- ---

Intestines

Serous coat --- sometimes thick
Muscular -----
Mucous reddened
Patches of inflammation
Glands enlarged

Spleen

Very dark red color
Five varices
Consistence
softer than liver from
greater - -- blood.

Perineum

Kidneys
Bladder
unchanged

Spinal marrow

dark in color
veins distended
water

Conclusions

----- fever without local appearances

----- secondary.

Fever begins in Nervous System or Some organ or
Vascular system.

Probably -----
1. Vascular system
2. Nervous "
3. Organs.

(For examination of skull of Spurzheim see: Annals of
Phrenology, Article II, p. 72. N. B. Shurtleff, M.D.)