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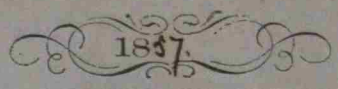
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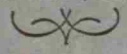
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The Influence of Soil, & Climate &c on man.

The object of the present Thesis will be to bring forward sufficient isolated evidence to justify us in drawing the general inference that the form, disposition and diseases of the animal world (directing however most attention to man) are modified by, and partake of the same type as, the inorganic materials most abundant where that animal receives its life and early nourishment.

It may be necessary to premise that, as air and water are inorganic substances, any influence they may exert at different altitudes or owing to hygrometrical changes or arising from the solution of certain other solid inorganic bodies (in short any climatal or atmospheric peculiarities (as well as the varieties produced in diet, beverages &c affecting our nutrition generally by the more or less constant use of substances abounding in some elements, while deficient in others) would legitimately be included in the above proposition now undertaken to be demonstrated.

All Physicians & Naturalists, so far as I know, admit the fact that every animal is produced from an egg, originating in glands, called ovaries; and that the human body thus produced, as well as that of animals generally, is composed of developed tissues, the elements of which are cells.

These cells originate within the yolk or vitellus, (that essential part of the ovum or egg, in which we find the germinative vesicle and the germinative dot or dot, from which the germ, or germinative disc, or blastodermis, or germinal membrane, ~~is formed~~ develops) and are supposed by some to be made up of simple membrane with nucleoli or of granules (molecules) imbedded in a pellucid substance (cytoblastema).

The yolk is enclosed in the vitelline membrane and nourished by the less important surrounding albumen, which latter however does not form in the ovary like the yolk, but is secreted by the oviduct; the whole being again enclosed in another membrane, and sometimes also surrounded by a calcareous shell.

Already at an early stage, the yolk subdivides & then appears, at least upon the yolk of the Vertebrates, a disc-shaped protuberance called the germination disc or germ. At first this consists of a single layer, but soon is found composed of three, which are distinct, viz: 1st The outer or serous or nervous layer, giving rise to the nervous, osseous & muscular systems; 2^{dly} The middle, vascular or blood layer, giving rise to the organs of circulation and respiration, and to the blood; 3^{dly} The inner, mucous or vegetative layer, giving rise to the organs of nutrition and reproduction.

In some animals, the Mammalia, the above developments of the embryo from the ovum, take place in the body of the parent animal, sometimes as among the birds, reptiles &c, ~~it~~ ^{the eggs} is expelled from the parent cavity & developed by the heat of the parent (incubation of birds) or by the solar rays (reptiles' & fishes' eggs &c) or by the heat of some animal, on which they become parasitic (as Gadflies and some other insects, & larva worms).

In the development of the future animal from the egg, the

most important organs are observed to make their appearance first, from the layers above mentioned and afterwards the less important.

Thus the nervous & some portions of the osseous & muscular system are perceived before the circulatory & respiratory systems; and these again before the formation of the nutritive system.

In a work, shortly to be published, of which I propose, with the approbation of the Faculty, that some portions of this Thesis should constitute a part, I have undertaken to show that our globe was developed on principles homologous to those now laid down for animals.

To render intelligible the inferences here drawn, it will be advantageous to state briefly a few of these terrestrial phenomena & homologies.

Most Geologists admit that the land, previous to assuming its present form, occupied less space than it does now, and was formed, particularly during the later periods, by deposition of successive layers from water.

These layers then probably exist everywhere on the globe, but have been brought to the surface, probably by volcanic forces (in connection with electrical and magnetic phenomena) in a definite manner.

A close investigation & comparison of these layers thus brought to the surface, as laid down on the various maps of detailed geological surveys, has enabled me to arrange them into a system, which shows plainly that the older rocks (the hypogene, crystalline, nonfossiliferous) are chiefly found in the polar arctic and antarctic regions; (although found more or less accompanying every period) next to them come the Secondary (Palaeozoic & Mesozoic Rocks) chiefly in the N. Temperate Zone; while internally, nearer the tropics are chiefly developed the Tertiary & newer Formations. In this particular then, at least, the Hypogene Rocks of the Terrestrial Globe resemble the serous or outer layer of the ovum; the Secondary resemble the vascular or middle layer; and the Tertiary resemble the mucous or inner layer.

But the homology, (and, probably I should say) analogy, hold good much farther; the serous layer gives rise to the nervous, ~~fluid~~ the osseous & muscular systems, as just stated: so also the hypogene layer gives rise, in the plutonic period, to the mountain ranges, which constitute the strength of the earth's crust and more especially gives rise to the great backbone system of the globe, extending from the head of the Rocky Mountains, along the Andes & through Eastern Asia back to the place of beginning. The hypogene period also gives rise to the Ancient and Modern Volcanic Rocks, still moulding & altering the earth's crust under the influence of this active ~~and~~ undulatory agent, producing electrical disturbances & thereby causing also magnetic phenomena. This is the type of the Nervous system; while the layers of muscular tissue, separated by their fascia, as well as the cartilages &c, are typified by the Metamorphic Rocks, composed of their various

Schists or slates; and it is in these that we find the origin of many of the useful metals, obtained more abundantly from the Ancient Volcanic rocks of the Secondary Period: the gangue being the homologue or analogue of the vascular walls.

Thus the greatest amount of mineral wealth is met with, as just stated, when we reach the Secondary Period, when the accompanying Volcanic rocks as Trap (Basalt, Greenstone &c) chiefly in dikes, bring ^{them} metallic riches to the surface, and the yet more valuable carbonaceous & saline deposits: just as we find a large number of veins, arteries & nerves among the organs of circulation and respiration (the vascular system) and a large amount of carbon, salts & ^{iron} iron in the blood.

Emanating from the back bone or Main Mountain range of the earth, we find originating about this period, the Tertiary layer, which receives many of these secondary products & deposits them in its waters; ^{or} giving rise to bituminous & saline lakes & seas,

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fossil resin (amber) petroleum springs &c; imparting
also, even to its vegetable growth at the present day,
sap products homologous to those bitumens, as in
the Caoutchouc, the gutta serena, the Camphor,
and the resinous & balsamic vegetation of the Tropics.

On this part of the subject alone a whole volume might
be written. Suffice it here to call attention to ^{a few} ~~the~~ facts.
that In detritus or soil resulting from hypogene rocks,
we find chiefly the cryptogamic algae, lichens, mosses ~~and~~
similar plants, ~~largely~~ largely abounding in gelatinous
starch (mucilaginous fluids) and some of the animals
(fossil as well as recent) abounding in gelatin, as the Cartilaginous
fishes &c

In the secondary period we find the starch gradually
converted into sugar. In the cereals (small grain seeds)
starch yet furnishes an abundant supply of food for man,
but already many of the dicotyledonous trees contain sugar
in their sap (as the maple, hickory, poplar &c) so do ~~so many~~
of the berries common in ^{the Palaeozoic} ~~the~~ period, while the mesozoic is

rich in the sugar of its canes, betroots &c, indicating at first chiefly grapesugar (glucose $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$) but at a somewhat later period, ~~chiefly~~ when more oxygenated, chiefly cane sugar ($C_{12}H_{22}O_{14}$) possessing a higher sweetening quality.

In the Tertiary period, vegetation begins to develop the fruits replete with acid (pineapples, oranges, lemons, tamarinds &c) and other products of a more advanced oxygenation or fermentation, well adapted to cool the ferors engendered by the heat of intertropical regions; also the spices calculated if used judiciously, to correct any evil effects from this vegetable ^{fruit} diet; besides the numerous cathartics (mucos-incremental agents, as Galaf, Rhubarb, aloes &c) and the mucos-decremental agents (opium &c) designed to furnish remedial agents for the diseases (chiefly of the abdominal viscera) incident to those regions.

Still farther south we again come to the analogues of the later products of the serous layer, dermal, tegumentary & dental, as well as the ^{terminal} extremities, the apophyses of the vertebrae

The analogies of these in the vegetable world, we find
~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~chief~~ ~~the~~ ~~organic~~ ~~processes~~ giving rise to enormous
leaves or developments such as are ~~found~~ ^{found} in the pitcher plant, the *Silene*
maritima, the lady's slipper, Venus' Fly trap ~~see also the tobacco, &c.~~
and the *Dischidia* of the Indian forests; also the tendrils,
hairs, prickles &c of epidermal growth.

There are many other points of analogy & homology,
between the inorganic & organic world, but it would
extend this thesis too far to dwell upon them.

I will simply mention a few facts designed to show
that the earth, like plants & animals derives materials
for its increase & modification from air & water and that
certain meteorological phenomena typify respiration & circulation;
while others bear analogy to reproduction.

Thus the accumulated humid contents of a cloud,
the temperature of which has been depressed to the dew
point, descend as a pure deposition of aërated water
upon the thirsty earth and filter through the loose
soil, very much in the same manner that the sap,

by endosmosis, enters the Spongioles of the roots, or moisture
or aerated in the leaves of the plant, of the trunk of the animal, forms Cambrian
is absorbed by the pores of the animal. While thus filtering ^{case, arterial blood in the}
through the soil, it imparts nourishment to vegetation dipping
certain inorganic materials & conveying them gradually along,
as it collects successively into rills, streamlets, rivulets, creeks,
smaller & larger rivers, finally emptying saline (to other
products held in solution) into the ocean: segregating
them to form future minerals rocks, under pressure,
electrical influences &c.

Examining first the Western Continent, we find
the smaller streams thus anastomosing and at last dis-
charging the chief waters of N. America by the Mississippi
into the Gulf of Mexico; while the Orinoco, Amazon and
Rio de la Plata send the unsculpted waters of South
America also towards the same Gulf through the
currents tending to the Caribbean Sea. Here we have
the type of the venous or vitiated blood & now
thrown into the great central heart & thence pro-
pelled in the Gulf Stream, chiefly north & east

towards those regions where the ocean is less salt,
as the Baltic; entering also the Mediterranean
bearing there large saline deposits, while it is con-
verted by the heat of the African Sahara again into
a pure vaporous state, to be re-aerated & returned
in this constant round, as the medium of circulation
and conveyance of nourishment to the earth.

Perhaps in the separation of the earth according to
fixed ~~laws~~ mathematical laws (as endeavored to be
illustrated in the accompanying map) marked (document C)
we have the type of the various piperous, gemmiferous
& other modes of reproduction found in the vegetable
& animal world; possibly, also in the difference between
the Western & Eastern continents a foreshadowing of sexual distinctions.

Not to dwell longer on these analogies, which
might be traced much farther (for instance by comparing
the electricity-bearing, metallic ramifications to the cerebro-spinal
axis & interganglionic branches, carrying the nervous energy)
we now proceed, as more practical in its tendencies,

to examine what would be the result arising from an excess of material or from great activity (in any of the ~~organs~~ layers producing the organs mentioned in the early part of the investigation) or on the other hand from a deficiency of material or of vital energy.

Would not the organ last formed from that layer probably be repeated in the first instance and perhaps be shortened or altogether wanting in the second instance?

Thus suppose an excess of serous layer forming bone, muscle, extremities & nerves, might we not have, in the lower animals, monostrotites with double sets of extremities; in man the family peculiarity of six instead of five fingers or toes? Or, on the other hand, might we not have instead of a fully developed anterior extremity, the arm, a short one with the hand nearest the shoulder; or a short posterior extremity where the feet are near the knee, as is not very uncommon; or a family deficient in teeth, as sometimes happens particularly when double Cousins intermarry? Or

perhaps the figure of the lip remains ~~not~~ ~~un~~ ~~closed~~ ~~(hard lip)~~
unclousd (hard lip); or the hermaphroditic appearance
of undeveloped organs of reproduction is apparent; or the
stock dies out entirely, as happens both among plants
& animals continuing too long on the same soil or
connected too closely by ties of consanguinity in union of
sexes. (Note A.)

In this manner too we account for the deficiency
of egg shell, if the fowl is debarred from swallowing
calcareous matter; besides similar phenomena; and
perhaps the effects of fear, excitement &c on the nervous
system of the maternal source that conveys nourishment,
energy &c to the fetus, may thus in some measure
account for peculiar marks, monstrosities &c
exhibited at birth.

Again why should there be such great national
(Note A) something of the same kind seems to occur when there
is a marked specific difference between those ~~two~~ ~~varieties~~; ^{thus} among
mules & other hybrids, ~~in~~ ~~which~~ the spermatozoa are wanting. Even the product

peculiarities, if these effects are not produced by the inorganic & organic circumstances surrounding those individuals, in the form of air, water & finally of food?²

Thus, in the nomadic tribes we seldom have any monstrosities or peculiarities ^{resulting from} of physical eyes or deficiency of any material, because they vary the nature of the air, water, nourishment & entering into their systems.

But in isolated villages or in Islands, where less opportunity of variety occurs in nourishment, cropping of faces &c., we have frequent cases of Idioty, monstrosity & defective organs of sense.

May not this abnormal condition be due to the hyper-normal or hyponormal amount of ~~the~~ each formative layer in the cranium, as well as of the materials furnished through nutrition particularly in early life?²

Thus if by any means fluorate of lime becomes deficient may not the teeth be ^{more} subject to early decay?²

It is ascertained, by analysis, that the brain of an idiot

and of a child contain less phosphorus than is found in that of a well developed adult.

May not the idiocy arise from this phosphorus being defective in the family, under the influence first of inorganic causes & then of intermarriage between those in whom the deficiency occurs?

Or again as idiocy in the progeny is sometimes the effect of conception during parental intoxication, may not the alcoholic stimulus have temporarily deprived the parental brain of some of its phosphorus (by chemical combination of the hydrogen with the phosphorus forming the material, phosphuretted hydrogen, that in extreme cases of habitual intoxication, gives rise perhaps to the combustion of the body) thus producing an embryonic & fetal deficiency?

Again the tendency of wheat, in some soils, to fall is attributed by intelligent farmers to a deficiency of silica in the soil and consequently in the stalk to give it firmness.

Is it possible that *Plica Polonica* may be occasioned,

in Poland & elsewhere, by a want of the necessary amount of siliceous & albuminous materials to give hair its insensibility?

If it be admitted that the abnormal state of the adult may have resulted from the previous abnormal state of the germinal membranes or embryonic layers, producing that individual, it remains next to be examined whether these hypernormal & hyponormal states of organic existence correspond with the excess or deficiency known to exist in the Geological periods, which are claimed as the analogues of the germinal membranes & their resultant systems.

To render this more intelligible, let us institute a tabular comparison between Terrestrial or Inorganic and Organic Embryonic & Fetal Existence, thus:

Comparison between Inorganic & Organic development:

Organic

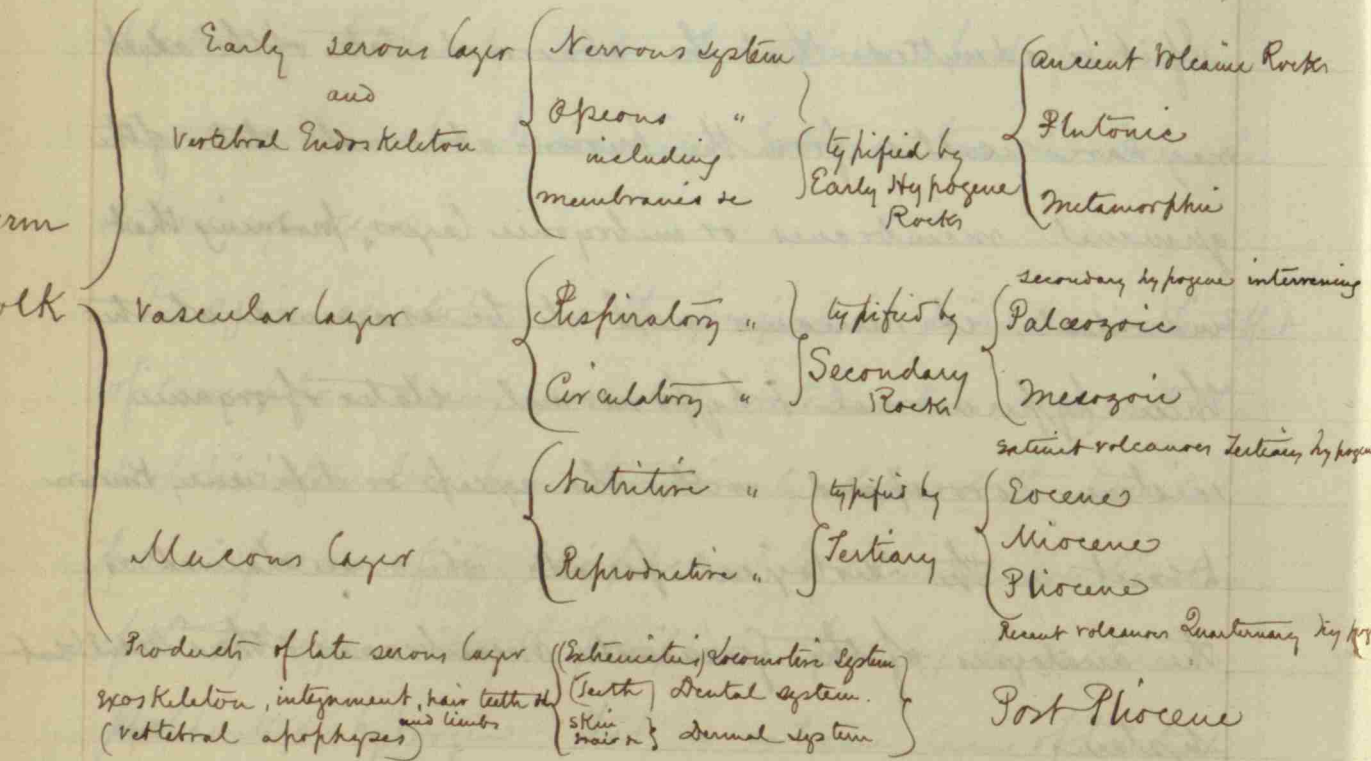
Inorganic

Zona pellucida

Atmosphere ?

Albuminous food yolk

Water (in Ocean)

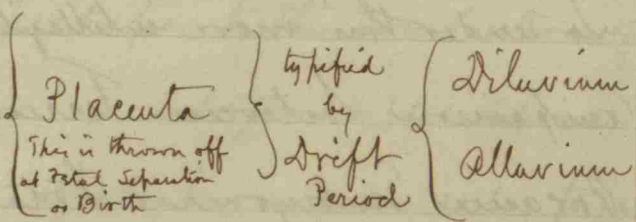


Post Pliocene

intervening of fetal vascular tufts

the maternal Blood sinuses giving

deciduous layer forms the



As a test of the above let us examine whether the period corresponding to the Mucous layer, aided by late serous development, gives for instance more of the normal & even ^{an} abnormal growth of

extremities.

This would be in Tertiary & Quaternary volcanic countries such as China, India, Buenos Ayres, Africa &c.

In the first named country families with six fingers are said to be common; in the second we have animals with greatly developed tusks & skin (pachyderms); in the third great tusks & extremities must have abounded, when the Megatherium, Dinotherium, Mastodon &c prevailed; Even now in the Chlamyphorus & others we have great dermal development; in the fourth, we have the long-necked Giraffes, the thick-skinned elephant &c.

In Australia & New Zealand, supposed to ~~be~~ have typified the placenta by forming a connection between South America & Asia, in their molecular position, we have evidence of the great tendency to an extra uterine pouch or enormous development of the nipple integument (in the Marsupialia) and have also animals forming the link between the oviparous bird & viviparous mammal (the Monotremata).

The last named countries are chiefly of very recent formation, especially in the western part, and even the Eastern auriferous upheavals of Australia may be late hypogean.

We might claim, in the difference of latitude, the cause of some visible variations, but surely we cannot deem it sufficient to make three fourths ^{or more} of the Mammalia, in any country, marsupials.

It seems probable, however, that these differences are greatly due, in the animal, as in the vegetable, world to the excess or deficiency of some material in the soil (~~is~~ or inorganic structure of that ^{portion of the} earth's crust) on which they flourish in connection with other modifying causes.

Should the above inorganic differences be considered capable of producing diversity & peculiarity in the physical configuration ~~of the~~ and moral & mental powers of the fetus, it requires but little argument to show that the individual animal, young or matured, (even whose bones we know may be colored, if fed on madder &c) should have the system modified

for health & strength, or for disease of certain organs, by the nature of the nourishment taken, which nourishment chiefly vegetable, must necessarily partake to a considerable extent of the inorganic materials in which it grows.

Thus the fungus-poisoned rye, ergot, produces fearful epidemics affecting the nervous system; mercury, introduced into the system too abundantly, might cause too much of the bone & muscle-forming fibrin to slough; while some of the saline or other purgatives might purge away the mucous lining of the intestines.

The modifying materials may be in very minute quantities in our food, which renders their effects little perceptible, but get ^{becoming} important ^{when continued} through a long series of years.

For instance, dogs raised near the lead furnaces (according to the testimony of Col. Keamitt, the well known owner of the Shot-towers not far from St. Louis) seem to thrive well until the pups are grown & trained perhaps for hunting, but the first time they are taken out, they fall exhausted by a disease having symptoms

like those of animals suffering from the so called milk-sickness, also resembling paralysis from lead poison.

Intelligent dental surgeons have informed me of the great difference they find in the perfection of the teeth in different districts of country and even between the inhabitants of town & country in the same region, which they attribute to those in the country using milk freely, which furnishes the necessary phosphate for dentine, ^(worn) & enamel. To this probably we should add the effects of fresh air & exercise on the general health.

The Africans of the Tertiary & Quaternary periods have usually very sound teeth.

Persons using water or eating seaweed (fucus) & other vegetable products impregnated with Iodine, would, all other things being equal, be less liable to goitre, ^(Bromochole) than those residing in districts & using water totally devoid of those elements.

Thus the disease is much more common in inland snow-water drinking Switzerland (where other causes favorably

aid) than in Great Britain, where some sea weeds are used as food & other vegetation no doubt imbibes Iodine; or in the western United States where Iodine ~~occurs~~ as well as Bromine occur not unfrequently in our springs.

For the purpose of examining this subject more minutely, I subjoin a tabular view of the chief diseases which for our purposes may be clasped into those arising from excessive action & those from diminished action in any organ. I also present a tabular view of remedies arranged as they have power to increase or diminish that action.

Here it is necessary for me only to call attention for a moment to the well known fact that, after all excessive action, there is reaction or deficient energy; that therefore after too great action of the brain & nervous system, for instance, as when apoplexy takes place, deficient action or energy as Paralysis is a frequent consequence; also that many remedial agents may first incite to action, proving Stimulant & afterwards diminish that action proving Sedative, as opium does.

Indeed all diseases might be resolved into abnormal action, usually at first too great & afterwards too little action of ~~the~~ an organ, caused generally by an inordinate circulation of material to that organ from stimulus or irritation. (Note B)

~~[Tabular Exhibitions Document C & D]~~

In the same manner almost all remedies might be considered either as ~~stimulants~~ irritants, stimulants to greater action, by causing an unusual flow; or as sedatives, by causing a diminished amount of material to reach the suffering organ.

[Here please examine the ^{large} Tabular ^{chart} ~~views~~ which, in consequence of the small size of the Thesis-paper, are presented on a separate sheet marked Document "D" also two smaller tabular views marked Documents "E" & "F"]

By a careful examination of the Compendium of the Mortality Statistics derived from the elaborate census in the U.S. for the year 1850, it will be readily observed, (after making such allowance as to equalize the aggregate inhabitants in any two states compared, and taking only the

deaths of those born in the state) that the relative proportion of cerebral, & other, diseases of the organs of the head, are more frequent in northerly latitudes than in southern; also that in the latter, diseases of the abdominal viscera are more frequent; while abnormal action of the lungs & heart is found ^{to be} most abundantly in Middle latitudes.

Thus compare the diseases of the extreme northern & extreme southern U. States, after equalizing the population: although the comparison would be much more satisfactory if we had minute statistics of countries farther south.

In making this comparison, I have placed Alabama & New Hampshire in juxtaposition; New York & Louisiana; Vermont & finally Massachusetts & Tennessee, without any other choice in selection than the distances apart & facility of multiplying the aggregate population in one ^{state} to make it nearly equal to that of ^{the} other. In the last case, the population in each was so nearly alike as to require no multiplication or other modification.

Comparison of Diseases in N. & S. States.

Diseases of ^(cephalic) Head organs; of Thoracic organs; of Abdom. organs

Alabama pop. 623	{	Apoplexy	13	Consumption	109	Dysentery	224
		Brain	17	Heart	16	Bilious fever	73
		Brain fever	52	Lungs	18	Jaundice	11
		Head	10	Pleurisy	26	Kidneys	4
		Paralysis	12	Pneumonia	340		
		Insanity	3				
		Suicide	1				

For practical purposes it is near enough to multiply by $2\frac{1}{3}$, which has accordingly been done for these classes

North Carolina pop. 976 x $\frac{1}{3} =$ 3,210	{	Apoplexy	56	Consumption	766	Dysentery	1186
		Brain	35	Heart	165	Bilious fever	30
		Brain fever	70	Pleurisy	11	Jaundice	9
		Head	30	Pneumonia	221	Kidneys	3
		Paralysis	165				
		Insanity	18				
		Suicide	53				

The proportion of head & lung diseases in the north is striking; but let us compare yet ^{several} more to be more certain of our results.

Comparison of N. York & Louisiana (multiplying pop. in latter state by 6)

	<u>Cephalic</u>	<u>Thoracic</u>	<u>Abdominal</u>
N. York popul. 7,394	apoplexy 182		
	Brain 93	Consumption 4531	Bilious fever 249
	" fever 366	heart 335	Kidneys 28
	Paralysis 235	pleurisy 78	Jaunder 46
	Insanity 39	pneumonia 1139	Dysentery 2991
	Suicide 51	Bowels 171	

Fatal Diseases among those born in State, multiplied by 6 gives the following:

Louisiana popul. 17,762 x 6 =	apoplexy 200	Consumpt. 1332	Bilious fever 192
	Brain 48	Heart 126	Kidneys 90 (90)
	" fever 312	Pneumonia 834	Jaunder 20 (30)
	Paralysis 42	Pleurisy 384	Dysentery 526
	Insanity 18		Bowels 82
	Suicide 18		

The above result, as regards dysentery, presents an unexpected anomaly, but may perhaps be partially accounted for by the impudence of those residing in large cities.

In N. Orleans (excluding the transient residents) the proportion of enteritis is small compared

Comparison of Mississippi & Vermont (relation of popul. nearly as 2 to 1) thro:
mortality from

isases of Cephalic organs; Thoracic, Abdominal organs

Mississippi popul. 46,526	Cephalic organs	apoplexy 12	Thoracic	Consump 120	Abdominal organs	Bowels 64
		Brain 12		Heart 19		Dysentery 165
		" fever 13		Lungs 7		Bilious fever 44
		infl. brain 112		Pleurisy 20		Inflam. stomach 98
		Insanity 3		Pneumonia 295		Liver 18
		Paralysis 6				Jauundice 8
		suicide 5				

In comparing diseases in Vermont ^{the} ~~total~~ ^{are divided already} no. of deaths by 2, population being only half

Vermont popul. 97,500	Cephalic organs	apoplexy 11	Thoracic	Heart 19	Abdominal organs	Bowels 5½
		Brain 2½		Consump 277		Dysentery 123
		Infl. " 15		Pleurisy 2½		Bilious fever 8
		Brain fever 7		Pneumonia 33		Inflam. bowels 9½
		Insanity 1		Lungs 2½		" stomach 1½
		Paralysis 5				Jauundice 1
		Suicide 3½				Liver 5

The same general result is obtained, only Vermont seems less to dispose to diseases of the nerves than N. Hampshire.

As the population of Massachusetts & that of Tennessee are about equal,

Comparison of Massachusetts & Tennessee:

	Mass. Tenn.	Mass. Tenn.	Mass. Tenn.
Apoplexy	64 - 27	Consumpt. 2548 - 603	Borrel's 364 - 10
Brain	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="font-size: 4em; margin-right: 10px;">}</div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>(252 - 0)</p> <p>121 - 20</p> <p>18 - 218</p> </div> <div style="font-size: 4em; margin-left: 10px;">}</div> </div> <p style="margin: 0 10px;">238</p>	Pleurisy 37 - 49	Asplentia 2091 - 1574
" fever 391		Pneumonia 475 - 296	Bilious fever 61 - 64
Flam. brain		Heart 288 - 23	Infl. bowels 117 - 89
Insanity	40 - 1	Lungs 175 - 1	Liver 64 - 44
Paralysis	198 - 27		Jaundice 10 - 11

As a whole we perceive ⁱⁿ Tennessee ^{it} is more healthy (that is, when disease occurs it is less fatal) than in Massachusetts; and, as before, the diseases of the head, lungs & heart prevail in the north while Bilious fever & Jaundice are comparatively more prevalent in Tennessee.

In conclusion, I desire to draw attention to two other facts: first the similarity or repetition or typical formation visible in organs at first ^{vis} dissimilar in appearance; and secondly to the similarity that exists between the organs & functions of lower animals & the less perfect structures in man.

To prove the first ^{fact or assertion}, let us compare the brain, with its two cerebral hemispheres, divided by the reduplication of a membrane,

(the falx cerebri formed from the dura mater)
and the cerebellum, the spinal cord & nerves, with
the double lungs, partially separated by the mediastinum
(reduplication of the pleural lining) and the ^{double} heart, venous
and arterial, with ~~the~~ its arteries & veins: the first set of
organs distributing the nervous, the latter the haemal
fluid.

Even the stomach, situated between its biliary and
pancreatic organs, continued into vermicular appendages
of absorption & secretion, is not altogether unlike the
previously mentioned systems.

Perhaps even the formative fluid, accompanying
the nucleoli may typify the zona pellucida & albumen
surrounding the embryo in ovo; as well as later the
aërating fluid (air) and the albuminous exoskeleton
of the adult ostracoderm & other animal, & the
squamous scale of the fish, and the scaly epiderm of the
higher animals; while the granular cell-forming
yolk material, the cellular tissues with its deposition

of fatty material for siphons; accidental abstinence or long continued periodical abstinence (hibernation) and the sero-fibrin-forms blood may be compared with each other.

To prove the second fact or assertion, let us compare the homogangliate nervous system of the Articulata with the thoracic ^{intercostal} ganglionic system in man; or the heterogangliate nervous system of mollusks with the abdominal solar plexus; the agangliate radial nervous filaments with the interganglionic communications of the great sympathetic, or even the insensate ~~insensate members~~ of the brain itself with the neurine of some Radiata, the only nervous system, if they have any, of these Invertebrates: the whole being the analogues, or even homologues, of our involuntary nerves, presiding over the vegetative functions, while the voluntary are found among the vertebrates.

Again compare the lowest breathing apparatus (where the white series is simply aerated in a large cavity by contact with water in a general cavity) with man's

areolar or connective tissue sits across fluid, which permeates every interface, as shown in *Empylesema* when external air is admitted. In animals

somewhat higher in their organization, ~~the investing or fluid~~ the ~~trachea~~ trachea with elastic spiracles; next the investing pallium or mantle (as among the Brachiopods) forms a breathing tuft, which afterwards we see in more distinct branches among the dorsibranchiate and tubulibranchiate ~~and~~ ~~and~~ ~~worms~~, the lamellibranchiate mollusks, the fishes and some batrachian reptiles (meiobranchus &c) while the true pulmonary sac is first observable among the pulmonate Gasteropods, the pulmonary insects (viz some spiders) ^{among} some Reptiles, the Birds and the Mammalia.

In the circulatory system perhaps the white blood of some inferior animals may find its type in the chyle, destitute of red globules, which circulates through the lacteals to mingle in the left subclavian vein with the venous blood; and be, with it, sent to the right side of the heart, the equivalent perhaps of the

single auricle + ventricle found in Fishes.

The open system is chiefly found as an exoskeleton (^{the homologues of} ~~of which~~ our dermal stegmentary appendages) ~~as in the lower animals,~~ in the lower animals, (such as the deciduous covering of the Crab &c) although we find even in the higher Radiates (the Echini) also in the Brachiopods & in some Tentaculate Cephalopods (the Cuttlefishes) the rudiments of an internal or Endoskeleton, which internal open system is afterwards more fully developed in the cartilaginous Fishes (sharks, sturgeons &c) and perfected in the Birds & Mammalia, with their extensive locomotor organs.

Perhaps too the exacerbation of the circulating fluids (felt periodically even in health and very decidedly in intermittent and remittent pathological conditions of the human system) as well as the Catamenial discharge, may find their type in the periodical flow of sap in vegetation and even in the ebb

and flow of the liquid materials (on the exterior of our globe (tides) and in the interior of our earth (volcanic waves) which have modified & still modify the external crust probably at intervals of time, periodical or secular in their character. (Note C)

Much more might be added in elucidation of these subjects; but the purpose here being chiefly to call attention to these investigations, probably enough has been written to effect the desired object.

Note C. Possibly (in the same manner that electricity promotes vegetation) then, ^{volcanic} electrical & magnetic forces, themselves, as well as light & heat, being only modified undulatory motion emanating from the sun, bear upon the marked secular epochs of Historical Importance, affecting individual & national rise, progress & decay.