

CLINICAL ABSTRACT

ONTARIO HOSPITAL SCHOOL,
ORILLIA, ONTARIO, MAY 10, 1965.
CASE BOOK # [REDACTED]

I. NAME - [REDACTED]
AGE ON ADMISSION - 6 years, 11 months
DATE OF BIRTH - [REDACTED], 1958
PLACE OF BIRTH - Newmarket, Ontario
RACIAL ORIGIN - French-Irish-Welsh
RELIGION - Baptist
MARITAL STATUS - Single
CORRESPONDENT - Parents - Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED]

DATE OF ADMISSION - March 29, 1965.

INFORMANTS - Parents, Mr. & Mrs. [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
- The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, Ontario.

II. FAMILY HISTORY

Paternal Grandparents - [REDACTED], 62 years of age. Carpenter. [REDACTED], 51 years of age. Housewife. There were 12 children in this family, 3 stillborn, 2 deceased at about 3 years of age of the same illness. Father knows nothing about this illness but referred to it as the "summer sickness".

Maternal Grandparents - [REDACTED], deceased at 50 years of age. Watchmaker. [REDACTED], age unknown. Housewife. Presently working as a waitress. There are 10 children in this family - all alive and well.

Father - [REDACTED], 29 years of age. Born in Greene Bay, Newfoundland. Father did not start school until 11 years of age as he had no way of getting to school each day. He skipped grade 3 and completed grade 6 at 15 years. Mechanic.

Mother - [REDACTED], 28 years of age. Born in Sudbury, Ontario. Completed grade 7 at 14 years. Factory worker before marriage.

- Siblings -
- 1.) [REDACTED] - 9 years. Grade 2.
 - 2.) [REDACTED] - 7 years.
 - 3.) [REDACTED] - 6 years, 11 months. THE PATIENT.
 - 4.) [REDACTED] - 5 years. Kindergarten.
 - 5.) [REDACTED] - 3 years.
 - 6.) [REDACTED] - 2 years.

School History - Nil.

Moral History - Patient is very rough with other children.

IV. PRESENT CONDITION

Circumstances Leading to Admission to Hospital - Mother of patient, Mrs. [REDACTED], applied for her daughter's admission to this hospital school on September 28, 1964. Patient was admitted on March 29, 1965, certified mentally defective.

Medical Certificates -

Dr. [REDACTED] -

- Appearance - Fairly neat due to mother's persistence.
- Conduct - Wild - difficult to control. Boisterous.
- Conversation - Loud & disjointed. Slow. Not always responsive to questions.

Dr. [REDACTED] -

- Appearance - Normal. No external stigmata.
- Conduct - Uninhibited, hyperactive.
- Conversation - Talks quite reasonably.
- Other facts - From mother - Aggressive with other children, very difficult to manage generally. Behaviour generally much below age level.

V. PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Height - 42 ins. / 44.53 ins.
 Weight - 36 lbs. / 48.0 lbs.
 Head Measurements - W - 15 cms. / 14.9 cms.
 L. - 18 cms. / 17.5 cms.
 Cir. - 49.5 cms. / 50.5 cms.
 (19½ ins.)

Summary

She knows her factors up to 4.
 She knows the areas of her body including elbow and proceeded to show me her "muscles".
 Hyperactive with small head due to brain damage.
 At present has strawberry tongue, perioral pallor and head cold.

Tuberculin - negative.
 Wassermann - negative. Rh positive.
 Urinalysis & P.P. test - negative.
 W.B.C. - 13,000. Hgb. - 82%.
 R.B.C.'s appear normal - slight increase in eosinophiles.

b.

(Miss) [REDACTED]
for Dr. [REDACTED].

VI. MENTAL STATUS

This busy little red-head will be 7 years old on Saturday, May 22nd, 1965. She is fearful of needles, and this is the first thing she asks when she sees a Doctor "Are you going to give me a needle?" She still remains small for her age. She knows her factors up to 4 and all areas of her body, and proceeded to show me her 'muscles'. She knows all her colours. She has certain very definite likes and dislikes. She says that she likes anything chocolate, and she has a Nurse Aide with chocolate eyes and hair, and when Dr. [REDACTED] went to examine her she said "Oh, you're chocolate". She wet her finger and rubbed it along the Doctor's arm, and said "It doesn't come off". She has settled down to routine in Mrs. [REDACTED] class in the Children's Dormitory, and I would think she should be ready for academic school in the Fall. Since she is one of six children between the ages of 2 and 9 years, she has picked up her information, I imagine, from her siblings rather than from her parents.

An I.Q. done in February, 1963 gave her 47 on a Stanford-Binet.

SUMMARY

The family history shows that a maternal uncle died in a mental hospital, and she had an aunt who had epilepsy and disturbed behaviour. The mother stopped school at 14 years of age, and had not completed Grade VII. The father comes from Newfoundland, and was very late starting to school. On talking to them, however, I would consider they are of average intelligence.

The pregnancy was complicated by bleeding at the third and the seventh month, and the baby was born 7 weeks prematurely, and weighed 3 lbs. 14 oz. She is the third in a sibline of six. There was a feeding problem following her month of incubation at the hospital. She did not attain normal milestones and shortly after 2 years of age, the parents were worried because they thought there was also marked personality change in [REDACTED]. She was much more irritable and refused to play, but would just sit rocking back and forth. Even this would be interrupted by a sudden fit of rage when she would throw things and scream. For this reason she was admitted to the Hospital for Sick Children at 2½ years of age for investigation. On examination there she showed a somewhat smaller than average child for her age. During hospitalization she seemed to improve and became more co-operative and her appetite improved.

There is one other factor which might be mentioned. On questioning the parents, they admitted at 2 months of age Patsy came down with an acute diarrhoea and vomiting and was sick for a few days. This was unusual, as she was usually constipated. The mother thought this was due to a fissure in ano which was not detected until she was 19 months old, and it was then repaired. The mother also states that the labour at a 7-month period was very rapid, and the head was held back until the doctor arrived.

VIII. ETIOLOGY

There are three factors in the etiology to consider -

1. The bleeding at the third and the seventh month of pregnancy.
2. Prematurity with fast labour, which was mechanically stopped.
3. The acute bout of diarrhoea at two months of age.