

## CORRESPONDENCE

19th November, 1940.

The Editor,

“ Leprosy Review,”

115, Baker Street, London, W.1.

Dear Sir,

May I correct an erroneous impression given by the British Medical Journal, May, 18th, 1940 and quoted in the *Leprosy Review* of October, 1940 (page 180).

My treatment is not for ascites due to leptotic cirrhosis of the liver but for the type connected with simple cirrhosis of non malignant origin. Out of many hundreds of post mortems on lepers, I have never seen macroscopic changes in the liver caused directly by leprosy although I have not infrequently found microscopic changes and acid fast bacilli. Clinically I have never seen a case of ascites which could be diagnosed as leptotic.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

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