nation, as related, is incomplete, inasmuch as it does not appear that any inspection was made of the cervical vertebrae. The death of the man was due, as the coroner thought, to apoplexy; and the loaded state of the right heart, and the venous congestion of the lungs and brain, place this beyond a doubt. He had died from the mere effect of concussion, or of the sudden effusion of blood into the brain, the condition of the body at the time of death would have occurred by asphyxia, and black blood would have been found in the right, and red in the left side of the heart. But the question is, what caused the apnea? Are we to call it the stroke of an electric current, or are we to call it the result of the natural current which is the source of all animal heat? How much real good would result, were all cases of sudden death to be referred to the action of electricity? The question is of more importance than it may appear at first sight, for the action of which is independent of the system of nerves, the action of which is independent of the brain, which is no longer capable of carrying on its action.

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