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in her work, in her surroundings, in people. She would not converse with people. She would be very irritable at times with her husband, her relatives. I am giving the mental angle now. This process verged into a neurotic state inasmuch as she would become incompetent. As I said, lack of interest in surroundings. She became, I would say, totally incompetent a few weeks previous to her entrance into Springfield. That was about the mental picture.

Physically, she developed convulsions. She had to have some one attending her, or with her, at all times for fear of falling. She lost control of urine function, which I think was based on neurological condition rather than physical condition.

- Q. The physical and mental conditions which you have just described on behalf of Mrs. Smith what would be the prognosis in this case?
- A. No improvement permanently. Certainly progressive permanent deterioration.
- Q. In your opinion, would Mrs. Smith be competent to transact normal business matters?
- A. No.

To the General Interrogatory: I am positive that she is an irresponsible, incompetent person.

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