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Mr. Felix Wormser,
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Dear Felix:

It is obvious from the autopsy that Andrew Golden died of peritonitis, probably starting somewhere around the appendix region, and with tuberculosis of the nodes in that area. He also had arteriosclerosis and a congenital heart lesion and an old tuberculosis. These are the things he died from, and yet on chemical analyses one finds a surprisingly high amount of lead in the liver. This would imply that he was just absorbing this or certainly that it was circulating around in the body. I am afraid that a lead analysis like that is too high to ignore. The only question one can raise is, are they accurately done? That, of course, cannot be known unless a second analysis could be made. The great difficulty in figures like this is that they imply accuracy, which they may well not have.

I am very sorry that I haven't answered this sooner.

Yours,

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