

431. Salt Formation of Homonuclear Naphthalene Derivatives.

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THE marked difference in basic character of 2- and 4-nitro-1-naphthylamine (Hodgson and Walker, J., 1923, 123, 1205) suggested an investigation of the influence of further homonuclear substitution. It has been found that, whereas the hydrohalides of 4-nitro-1-naphthylamine are stable in air, though readily hydrolysed by trituration with water, the 2-halogeno-4-nitro-1-naphthylamines only form salts with hydrogen halides in nitrobenzene or similar media, and atmospheric moisture, as with the salts of 2-nitro-1-naphthylamine, immediately produces hydrolysis; 2-bromo-4-nitro-1-naphthylamine hydrobromide appears to be the most stable salt of the series.

The salts of the 4-halogeno-2-nitro-1-naphthylamines are even more unstable than those of 2-nitro-1-naphthylamine, as would be anticipated, whereas the salts of the 3-halogeno-1-naphthylamines are relatively very stable and require a minimum strength of 5% aqueous sodium hydroxide for their decomposition. When the last-mentioned amines are prepared by reduction of the 3-halogeno-1-nitronaphthalenes with stannous chloride and aqueous-alcoholic hydrochloric acid, their hydrochlorides crystallise from the reduction medium and tin double salts do not separate; whereas similar reduction of the 1-halogeno-3-nitronaphthalenes produces very stable tin double salts, which are hydrolysed by 2% aqueous sodium hydroxide. The β -naphthylamine derivatives would thus appear to be more basic than their α -isomerides, as is the case with the unsubstituted α - and β -naphthylamines, indicating a negative inductive ($-I$) effect of the unsubstituted nucleus.

The 2-halogeno-1 : 4-naphthylenediamines form only monohydrochlorides by the standard method, and only NN' -diacetyl or -dibenzoyl derivatives on acylation.

2-Chloro- and 2-bromo-4-nitro-1-naphthylamine are readily acetylated by the ordinary acetic anhydride method, but not the 2-iodo-analogue. 4-Nitro-1-naphthylamine is readily mercurated (Hodgson and Elliott, J., 1934, 1705), but 4-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide does not react with mercuric acetate in boiling glacial acetic acid solution.

The 4-halogeno-1 : 2-naphthylenediamines form only monohydrochlorides and are only monoacetylated when boiled with acetic anhydride, the 2-amino-group in each case being reactive. The latter fact was established by the preparation of the isomeric 4-halogeno-2-aminoaceto-1-naphthalides, which, when treated with acetic anhydride, gave the corresponding NN' -diacetyl-1 : 2-naphthylenediamines. The 4-halogeno-2-aminoaceto-1-naphthalides readily formed tin double salts. On reduction with alcoholic stannous chloride, 4-nitro-1-naphthylamine gave 1 : 4-naphthylenediamine dihydrochloride and 2-nitro-1-naphthylamine gave 1 : 2-naphthylenediamine monohydrochloride, whereas 1 : 5- and 1 : 8-dinitronaphthalene both gave tin double salts, $[C_{10}H_6(NH_3^+)_2]SnCl_6^{--}$.

The 1 : 2-naphthylenediamines were much more readily oxidised than the 1 : 4-isomerides, e.g., 4-chloro-1 : 2-naphthylenediamine was transformed by exposure to the atmosphere into 4-chloro-1 : 2-naphthaquinone within 20 minutes.

EXPERIMENTAL.

Preparation of the 4-Halogeno-2-naphthylamines.—2-Nitroaceto-1-naphthalide (20 g.) (prepared by partial hydrolysis of Lellmann and Remy's double compound; Hodgson and Walker, J., 1933, 1205), dissolved in glacial acetic acid (60 c.c.), was treated at 100° with chlorine for 30 minutes. 4-Chloro-2-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide (11 g.) crystallised from the solution on cooling; recrystallised from glacial acetic acid, it formed colourless feathery clusters of needles, m. p. 219° (Found : Cl, 13.4. $C_{12}H_9O_3N_2Cl$ requires Cl, 13.4%). It (10 g.) was refluxed for 6 hours with a mixture of dilute sulphuric acid (100 c.c. of 50%) and alcohol (100 c.c.), and 4-chloro-2-nitro-1-naphthylamine (8.4 g.) was filtered from the hot liquor, washed with bold water, dried, and crystallised from nitrobenzene or ethylene dichloride, forming orange needles, m. p. 202° (Found : Cl, 15.7. $C_{10}H_7O_2N_2Cl$ requires Cl, 15.9%). A hot solution of this compound (5 g.) in glacial acetic acid (50 c.c.) was chilled, and the suspension stirred into a solution of sodium nitrite (15 g.) in concentrated sulphuric acid (60 c.c.) below 20°; the mixture was poured into alcohol (150 c.c.) and heated on the water-bath until the volatile products

had been expelled (90 minutes). The insoluble matter was washed with cold water, and the residue crystallised from alcohol or 90% formic acid, giving dark brown micro-needles of 1-chloro-3-nitronaphthalene, m. p. 127° (Found: Cl, 17.0. $C_{10}H_7O_2NCl$ requires Cl, 17.1%). This compound (4 g.) was intimately ground with hydrated stannous chloride (35 g.), and the mixture cautiously heated with concentrated hydrochloric acid (35 c.c.) and alcohol (5 c.c.); a vigorous reaction suddenly supervened with almost complete dissolution of the solids. 4-Chloro-2-naphthylamine stannichloride crystallised from the filtered cooled solution in large, light brown, lustrous plates [Found: Cl, 41.0. $(C_{10}H_7NCl, HCl)_2SnCl_4$ requires Cl, 41.2%]. On treatment with 2% aqueous sodium hydroxide at 50° it gave 4-chloro-2-naphthylamine, which crystallised from benzene or light petroleum in colourless needles, m. p. 68° (Found: Cl, 19.9. $C_{10}H_7NCl$ requires Cl, 20.0%).

4-Bromo-2-naphthylamine. In cold dry nitrobenzene, 2-nitro-1-naphthylamine (5 g. in 60 c.c.) was treated with bromine (1 c.c. in 10 c.c.). 4-Bromo-2-nitro-1-naphthylamine hydrobromide was formed, but decomposed as the reaction proceeded, giving the insoluble free base; this was washed successively with nitrobenzene and benzene, and crystallised from nitrobenzene, forming orange-brown needles, m. p. 197° (Meldola, J., 1885, 47, 500, gives m. p. 197). Deamination by the standard process described above yielded 1-bromo-3-nitronaphthalene, which crystallised from 90% formic acid in pale yellow needles, m. p. 131° (Meldola, *loc. cit.*, gives m. p. 130—131°) (Found: Br, 31.7. Calc.: Br, 31.75%). Reduction by the above-described alcoholic stannous chloride method afforded buff-brown micro-needles of a stannichloride, which was recrystallised from concentrated hydrochloric acid [Found: Cl + Br, 47.7. $(C_{10}H_7NBr, HCl)_2SnCl_4$ requires Cl + Br, 47.9%]; decomposition of this with 2% aqueous sodium hydroxide at 40° gave 4-bromo-2-naphthylamine, which crystallised from 90% formic acid in colourless needles, m. p. 72° (Meldola, *loc. cit.*, gives m. p. 71.5°) (Found: Br, 36.0. Calc.: Br, 36.0%); the acetyl derivative crystallised from glacial acetic acid in colourless needles, m. p. 186.5° (Found: Br, 30.2. $C_{12}H_{10}ONBr$ requires Br, 30.3%).

2-Nitro-1-naphthylamine 4-Mercuriacetate.—When solutions of 2-nitro-1-naphthylamine (10 g. in 150 c.c.) and mercuric acetate (17.5 g. in 50 c.c.) in boiling glacial acetic acid were mixed, the mercuriacetate was precipitated as a powder, which crystallised from glacial acetic acid in orange-red needles, m. p. 242° (Found: Hg, 44.7. $C_{12}H_{10}O_4N_2Hg$ requires Hg, 44.9%). The mercurichloride formed brown needles, m. p. 289° (Found: Hg, 47.3. $C_{10}H_7O_2N_2ClHg$ requires Hg, 47.5%); the mercuribromide, red-brown needles, m. p. 248° (Found: Hg, 43.0. $C_{10}H_7O_2N_2BrHg$ requires Hg, 42.95%); the mercuri-iodide, deep scarlet needles, m. p. 237° (Found: Hg, 38.9. $C_{10}H_7O_2N_2IHg$ requires Hg, 39.0%); and the mercurihydroxide, scarlet needles, m. p. above 360° (decomp.) (Found: Hg, 49.5. $C_{10}H_8O_3N_2Hg$ requires Hg, 49.6%).

Treatment of the mercuriacetate in glacial acetic acid solution with chlorine and with bromine gave 4-chloro- and 4-bromo-2-nitro-1-naphthylamine respectively.

4-Iodo-2-nitro-1-naphthylamine.—2-Nitro-1-naphthylamine 4-mercuriacetate (50 g.) was added to a solution at 90° of 10% aqueous potassium iodide (500 c.c.) containing iodine (28.5 g.), the suspension boiled for 5 minutes, sufficient sodium thiosulphate added to destroy the residual iodine, and the precipitate of 4-iodo-2-nitro-1-naphthylamine removed from the hot solution, washed successively with boiling aqueous potassium iodide and boiling water, dried (44 g.), and crystallised from alcohol or nitrobenzene; it formed long golden-brown needles, m. p. 195.5° (Cumming and Howie, J., 1931, 3176, give m. p. 192—193°) (Found: I, 40.4. Calc.: I, 40.4%). Deamination by the standard process afforded 1-iodo-3-nitronaphthalene, which crystallised from alcohol or 90% formic acid in light orange plates, m. p. 146—147° (Cumming and Howie, *loc. cit.*, describe orange-yellow needles, m. p. 147°) (Found: I, 42.4. Calc.: I, 42.5%). Reduction by alcoholic stannous chloride gave light brown needles of 4-iodo-2-naphthylamine stannichloride [Found: Cl + I, 53.3. $(C_{10}H_7NI, HCl)_2SnCl_4$ requires Cl + I, 53.5%]. 4-Iodo-2-naphthylamine, obtained from this by means of 2% aqueous sodium hydroxide at 50°, crystallised from alcohol in brown needles, m. p. 76° (Found: I, 47.1. $C_{10}H_7NI$ requires I, 47.2%). The acetyl derivative, m. p. 201° (Found: I, 40.6. $C_{12}H_{10}ONI$ requires I, 40.8%), and the benzoyl derivative, m. p. 145° (Found: I, 33.9. $C_{17}H_{12}ONI$ requires I, 34.0%), both crystallised from glacial acetic acid in colourless needles.

2-Chloro-1:4-naphthylenediamine and Derivatives.—An intimate mixture of 2-chloro-4-nitro-1-naphthylamine (8 g.) and hydrated stannous chloride (64 g.) was suspended in alcohol (20 c.c.) and concentrated hydrochloric acid (60 c.c.), and carefully heated. After 5 minutes' boiling, 25 c.c. of concentrated hydrochloric acid were added; on cooling, 2-chloro-1:4-naphthylenediamine monohydrochloride separated in colourless needles, which were washed with and recrystallised from concentrated hydrochloric acid (Found: Cl, 30.7. $C_{10}H_9N_2Cl, HCl$ requires

Cl, 31.0%). Diazotisation of this hydrochloride in dilute hydrochloric acid proceeded normally at first, the solution giving a coupling with β -naphthol within 1 minute, but subsequently the diazo-solution deposited a deep purple powder, m. p. above 360° (decomp.) (Found : Cl, 5.6%).

2-Chloro-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine was obtained by the gradual dissolution of the hydrochloride (10 g.) in water (500 c.c.) at 90°, rapid addition of 20% aqueous sodium hydroxide (20 c.c.), and immediate chilling with vigorous stirring, a precaution which prevented superficial oxidation of the diamine. The colourless plates were recrystallised from hot water or 5% aqueous acetic acid and obtained in faintly green plates, m. p. 114° (Found : Cl, 18.4. $C_{10}H_9N_2Cl$ requires Cl, 18.4%). The diamine was readily oxidised by 2% alkaline potassium permanganate to give 2-chloro-1 : 4-naphthaquinone, which crystallised from water or alcohol in yellowish needles, m. p. 117° (Clève, *Ber.*, 1890, **23**, 955, gives m. p. 117°) (Found : Cl, 18.2. Calc. : Cl, 18.4%), and was volatile in steam.

Acetylation of the diamine with acetic anhydride alone (very violent reaction) or with this reagent in water or 5%, 20%, 40%, or 50% aqueous acetic acid always gave *2-chloro-NN'-diacetyl-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine*, which crystallised from glacial acetic acid in colourless needles, m. p. 314° (Found : Cl, 12.8. $C_{14}H_{13}O_2N_2Cl$ requires Cl, 12.8%).

2-Chloro-NN'-dibenzoyl-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine, obtained from the diamine (2 g.), benzoyl chloride (10 c.c.) and 20% aqueous sodium hydroxide (20 c.c.), crystallised from alcohol in cream needles, m. p. 255° (Found : Cl, 8.7. $C_{24}H_{17}O_2N_2Cl$ requires Cl, 8.8%).

2-Chloro-1-N-acetyl-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine. *2-Chloro-4-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide* (4 g.) (Hodgson and Elliott, *loc. cit.*), hydrated stannous chloride (40 g.), concentrated hydrochloric acid (30 c.c.) and alcohol (10 c.c.) gave, by the process already described, *2-chloro-1-N-acetyl-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine stannichloride* in cream needles [Found : Cl, 35.3. $(C_{12}H_{11}ON_2Cl, HCl)_2SnCl_4$ requires Cl, 35.4%]. An aqueous solution of this salt (1 g. in 30 c.c.), treated with 20% aqueous sodium hydroxide (3 c.c.) at 60° and chilled as rapidly as possible, precipitated *2-chloro-1-N-acetyl-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine*, which crystallised from water or 50% aqueous acetic acid in pinkish prisms, m. p. 215° (Found : Cl, 15.0. $C_{12}H_{11}ON_2Cl$ requires Cl, 15.1%).

2-Bromo-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine and Derivatives.—Reduction (as above) of 2-bromo-4-nitro-1-naphthylamine (Hodgson and Elliott, *loc. cit.*) afforded almost colourless needles of *2-bromo-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine stannichloride* (Found : Cl + Br, 51.5. $C_{10}H_9N_2Br, 2HCl, SnCl_4$ requires Cl + Br, 51.3%), which was converted by boiling concentrated hydrochloric acid into *2-bromo-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine monohydrochloride*; this crystallised from the acid in colourless needles (Found : Cl + Br, 42.0. $C_{10}H_9N_2Br, HCl$ requires Cl + Br, 42.2%). Treatment of either salt with 5% aqueous sodium hydroxide at 90°, followed by rapid cooling, afforded *2-bromo-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine*, which crystallised from hot water in greenish-yellow needles (slowly oxidised by air), m. p. 110° (Found : Br, 33.7. $C_{10}H_9N_2Br$ requires Br, 33.7%). The *diacetyl* derivative crystallised from glacial acetic acid in colourless needles, m. p. 318° (Found : Br, 24.8. $C_{14}H_{13}O_2N_2Br$ requires Br, 24.9%), and the *dibenzoyl* derivative from alcohol in needles, m. p. 259° (Found : Br, 17.9. $C_{24}H_{17}O_2N_2Br$ requires Br, 18.0%). Oxidation of the base gave 2-bromo-1 : 4-naphthaquinone, which crystallised from alcohol in yellow needles, m. p. 130° (Liebermann and Schlossberg, *Ber.*, 1899, **32**, 549, 2097, give m. p. 130°) (Found : Br, 33.6. Calc. : Br, 33.7%).

2-Bromo-1-N-acetyl-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine. *2-Bromo-4-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide*, prepared by boiling a solution of 2-bromo-4-nitro-1-naphthylamine (5 g.) (Hodgson and Elliott, *loc. cit.*) in glacial acetic acid (50 c.c.) with acetic anhydride (5 c.c.) for 3 minutes, and precipitated by water, crystallised from glacial acetic acid in pale green, feathery needles, m. p. 239° (Found : Br, 25.8. $C_{12}H_9O_3N_2Br$ requires Br, 25.9%). Its deep red solution in boiling 20% aqueous sodium hydroxide gave, on acidification with hydrochloric acid, *2-bromo-4-nitro-1-naphthol*, which crystallised from alcohol in pale yellow needles, m. p. 236° (Found : Br, 29.8. $C_{10}H_6O_3NBr$ requires Br, 29.8%). Reduction of the naphthalide (as above) afforded *2-bromo-1-N-acetyl-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine stannichloride*, which crystallised from concentrated hydrochloric acid in faintly pink needles [Found : Cl + Br, 41.7. $(C_{12}H_{11}ON_2Br, HCl)_2SnCl_4$ requires Cl + Br, 41.8%]. Treatment of this with 5% aqueous sodium hydroxide gave *2-bromo-1-N-acetyl-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine*, which crystallised from 50% aqueous acetic acid in very light brown needles, m. p. 217° (Found : Br, 28.6. $C_{12}H_{11}ON_2Br$ requires Br, 28.7%), rapidly oxidised by air.

2-Iodo-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine and Derivatives.—Reduction (as above) of 2-iodo-4-nitro-1-naphthylamine (Hodgson and Elliott, *loc. cit.*) gave *2-iodo-1 : 4-naphthylenediamine monohydrochloride*, which crystallised from concentrated hydrochloric acid in colourless needles (Found :

Cl + I, 50.6. $C_{10}H_9N_2I, HCl$ requires Cl + I, 50.7%) and on treatment with hot 5% aqueous sodium hydroxide afforded 2-iodo-1:4-naphthylenediamine, which crystallised from hot water in small, greenish-white needles, m. p. 119° (Found: I, 44.6. $C_{10}H_9N_2I$ requires I, 44.7%), slowly oxidised in air. Oxidation by alkaline 2% potassium permanganate solution produced 2-iodo-1:4-naphthoquinone, which crystallised from alcohol in yellow needles, m. p. 120° (Found: I, 44.5. $C_{10}H_5O_2I$ requires I, 44.7%). Acetylation, as above, of the diamine always afforded 2-iodo-NN'-diacetyl-1:4-naphthylenediamine, which crystallised from glacial acetic acid in pinkish plates, m. p. 322° (Found: I, 34.2. $C_{14}H_{13}O_2N_2I$ requires I, 34.5%). 2-Iodo-NN'-dibenzoyl-1:4-naphthylenediamine crystallised from alcohol in faintly purple needles, m. p. 262° (Found: I, 25.6. $C_{24}H_{17}O_2N_2I$ requires I, 25.8%).

2-Iodo-1-N-acetyl-1:4-naphthylenediamine. Since 2-iodo-4-nitro-1-naphthylamine could not be acetylated and 4-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide could not be mercurated, the desired compound was prepared as follows: 4-Nitro-1-naphthylamine 2-mercuriacetate (10 g.) (Hodgson and Elliott, *loc. cit.*) was heated with acetic anhydride (60 c.c.) for 6 minutes and the chrome-yellow precipitate was removed from the cooled solution, washed successively with acetic anhydride and acetic acid, and crystallised from glacial acetic acid, giving mustard-yellow needles of 4-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide 2-mercuriacetate, m. p. 270° (Found: Hg, 40.9. $C_{14}H_{12}O_5N_2Hg$ requires Hg, 41.1%). This mercuriacetate (10 g.) was boiled with a solution of iodine (5.7 g.) in aqueous potassium iodide for 5 minutes, the excess of iodine destroyed by sodium thiosulphate, and the 2-iodo-4-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide filtered off and crystallised from glacial acetic acid, forming greenish-yellow needles, m. p. 222° (Found: I, 35.5. $C_{12}H_9O_3N_2I$ requires I, 35.7%). Its blood-red solution in boiling 20% aqueous sodium hydroxide, on acidification with hydrochloric acid, gave 2-iodo-4-nitro-1-naphthol, which crystallised from alcohol in yellow-white needles, m. p. 229° (Found: I, 40.2. $C_{10}H_8O_3NI$ requires I, 40.3%).

Reduction of 2-iodo-4-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide by the stannous chloride process, gave 2-iodo-1-N-acetyl-1:4-naphthylenediamine stannichloride, which crystallised from concentrated hydrochloric acid in cream-coloured needles [Found: Cl + I, 47.3. ($C_{12}H_{11}ON_2I, HCl$) $_2SnCl_4$ requires Cl + I, 47.4%]. This, on treatment with warm 5% aqueous sodium hydroxide, afforded 2-iodo-1-N-acetyl-1:4-naphthylenediamine, which crystallised from glacial acetic acid in colourless needles, m. p. 235° (Found: I, 38.7. $C_{12}H_{11}ON_2I$ requires I, 38.9%).

4-Chloro-1:2-naphthylenediamine and Derivatives.—4-Chloro-2-nitro-1-naphthylamine, reduced by the stannous chloride process, gave 4-chloro-1:2-naphthylenediamine monohydrochloride, which crystallised from concentrated hydrochloric acid in very light brown plates (Found: Cl, 30.9. $C_{10}H_9N_2Cl, HCl$ requires Cl, 31.0%). Treatment with 2% aqueous sodium hydroxide at 60° gave 4-chloro-1:2-naphthylenediamine, which formed pinkish needles, m. p. 95°, from hot water (Found: Cl, 18.3. $C_{10}H_9N_2Cl$ requires Cl, 18.4%). Acetylation was effected by gently warming the diamine (3 g.) with acetic anhydride (10 c.c.) until reaction occurred (35–40°), cooling, pouring into cold water (100 c.c.), and keeping for 15 minutes; the precipitate crystallised from glacial acetic acid in brownish needles, m. p. 235° (Found: Cl, 15.0. $C_{12}H_{11}ON_2Cl$ requires Cl, 15.1%), of a monoacetylated derivative. On theoretical grounds the acetyl group should preferentially enter the 2-amino-group, and actually the product has been identified as 4-chloro-2-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine by the following preparation of 4-chloro-1-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine: 4-Chloro-2-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide, reduced by the stannous chloride process, gave 4-chloro-1-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine stannichloride [Found: Cl, 35.2. ($C_{12}H_{11}ON_2Cl, HCl$) $_2SnCl_4$ requires Cl, 35.4%]. 4-Chloro-1-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine, obtained from this by means of 5% aqueous sodium hydroxide, crystallised from hot water in cream-coloured needles, m. p. 243° (Found: Cl, 15.0%), depressed to 224° by the 2-N-acetyl isomeride. Boiling acetic anhydride converted 4-chloro-1-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine into the diacetyl derivative [cream needles from glacial acetic acid, m. p. 174° (Found: Cl, 12.7. $C_{14}H_{13}O_2N_2Cl$ requires Cl, 12.8%)], but had no action on the 2-N-acetyl isomeride.

Air-oxidation of the 4-chloro-1:2-naphthylenediamine was so rapid that within 20 minutes of isolation it was converted into 4-chloro-1:2-naphthoquinone, which crystallised from alcohol in maroon needles, m. p. 188° (Found: Cl, 18.3. $C_{10}H_5O_2Cl$ requires Cl, 18.4%).

4-Bromo-1:2-naphthylenediamine and Derivatives.—From the solution obtained by the standard stannous chloride reduction of 4-bromo-2-nitro-1-naphthylamine (Hodgson and Elliott, *loc. cit.*), 4-bromo-1:2-naphthylenediamine monohydrochloride separated; it crystallised from hydrochloric acid in colourless needles (Found: Cl + Br, 42.0. $C_{10}H_9N_2Br, HCl$ requires Cl + Br, 42.2%).

Treatment of the hydrochloride with 5% aqueous sodium hydroxide at 90°, followed by

rapid cooling, yielded 4-bromo-1:2-naphthylenediamine, which crystallised from hot water or 10% aqueous acetic acid in cream-coloured micro-plates, m. p. 97° (Found: Br, 33.6. $C_{10}H_9N_2Br$ requires Br, 33.7%). Acetylation of the diamine with boiling acetic anhydride gave only 4-bromo-2-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine, which crystallised from glacial acetic acid in colourless needles, m. p. 225° (Found: Br, 28.4. $C_{12}H_{11}ON_2Br$ requires Br, 28.7%).

Bromine (0.65 c.c.) in glacial acetic acid (36 c.c.) was added drop by drop to a vigorously stirred solution of 2-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide (6 g.) in glacial acetic acid (36 c.c.) above 45°. On cooling, 4-bromo-2-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide separated; it crystallised from glacial acetic acid in pale greenish, feathery needles, m. p. 239° (Found: Br, 25.8. $C_{12}H_9O_3N_2Br$ requires Br, 25.9%). Reduction by the above stannous chloride process afforded 4-bromo-1-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine stannichloride, which crystallised from hot concentrated hydrochloric acid (in which it is very soluble), on cooling, in colourless needles [Found: Cl + Br, 41.7. $(C_{12}H_{11}ON_2Br, HCl)_2SnCl_4$ requires Cl + Br, 41.8%]. 4-Bromo-1-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine crystallised from hot water in colourless plates, m. p. 248° (Found: Br, 28.5. $C_{12}H_{11}ON_2Br$ requires Br, 28.7%), and 217° when mixed with 4-bromo-2-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine. Boiling acetic anhydride converted the 1-N-acetyl compound into 4-bromo-NN'-diacetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine [brownish needles, m. p. 225°, from glacial acetic acid (Found: Br, 24.7. $C_{14}H_{13}O_2N_2Br$ requires Br, 24.9%)], but did not attack the 2-N-acetyl isomeride.

4-Iodo-1:2-naphthylenediamine and Derivatives.—The following compounds were prepared from 4-iodo-2-nitro-1-naphthylamine (Hodgson and Elliott, *loc. cit.*) by the methods used for the bromo-analogues. 4-Iodo-1:2-naphthylenediamine monohydrochloride, pale brownish needles from concentrated hydrochloric acid (Found: Cl + I, 50.5. $C_{10}H_9N_2I, HCl$ requires Cl + I, 50.7%). 4-Iodo-1:2-naphthylenediamine, purplish prisms, m. p. 98°, from hot water (Found: I, 44.4. $C_{10}H_9N_2I$ requires I, 44.7%). 4-Iodo-2-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine, colourless needles from glacial acetic acid, m. p. 238° (Found: I, 38.7. $C_{12}H_{11}ON_2I$ requires I, 38.9%); 4-iodo-1-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine, colourless plates from hot water, m. p. 271° (Found: I, 38.8%); mixed m. p. 231°. 4-Iodo-NN'-diacetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine, colourless needles, m. p. 167°, from glacial acetic acid (Found: I, 34.4. $C_{14}H_{13}O_2N_2I$ requires I, 34.5%). 4-Iodo-1-N-acetyl-1:2-naphthylenediamine stannichloride, colourless needles from concentrated hydrochloric acid [Found: Cl + I, 47.3. $(C_{12}H_{11}ON_2I, HCl)_2SnCl_4$ requires Cl + I, 47.4%]. As initial materials, 4-iodoaceto-1-naphthalide, and 4-iodo-2-nitroaceto-1-naphthalide were prepared by Meldola's methods (*loc. cit.*).

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