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J. FRANKLIN DYSON, Executor.

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TO THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS.

Sirs—I have received no copy of the alleged report that received such bold publicity through the local press, in answer to my communication to you, and as I have failed to receive recognition through the same medium for my reply, I am compelled to again address you upon the same subject.

I cannot but compare my communication to the "Soldier's Mother's letter," sent last August to the President, complaining that bad meat was being packed for the army. This letter was referred to the commissary department, and then to the packers, who of course denied the allegation. Had this letter received the consideration it merited the lives sacrificed in the late war would have been only those due to medical incompetency.

I appealed to you, and again do so, for a disinterested inquiry, especially as the doctors had shown such lamentable ignorance, a fact they deliberately published to the public.

There is no gain in slurring over the facts with the statement that my suggestions were "too erratic to be followed, therefore not susceptible of intelligent consideration." The report of the twenty physicians is very much doubted by many who have written to me up on this subject, and to an intelligent person would carry no weight, for it would be impossible to obtain evidence (even if they desired to) of vaccination so long after death and burial. Many a man was vaccinated unknown to his friends. Had a list of the twenty cases been published it may have been of some value, for a casual investigation of ten among the first cases, eight were undoubtedly vaccinated three weeks and one month prior to death. Also every physician should know that the acknowledged primary cause of cerebro spinal meningitis, pyaemia or septicaemia, may be caused by a slight scratch, the surface wound readily heal and death result from bloodpoison.

The allusion to the 21000 vaccinations is too absurd for comment. Who expected it to produce 21,000 cases of cerebro spinal meningitis? Is not 50 deaths sufficient? not to mention all the other ills that may and will result from it. The statement that five years ago 25,000 vaccinations did not produce a single case, is of the same category, for the disease caused is solely dependent upon the different germ innoculated as vaccine. Did the 46,000 vaccinations prevent one single case of smallpox? How many vaccinated persons took the disease? Or was it "stamped out," as among the poor soldiers in Manila who were *four times* vaccinated and eight weeks after there were 124 admissions to the smallpox hospital and 33 deaths!

My letter was sent to you in good faith, as I have made a slight study of this disease and based my suggestions upon the result of personal observation and research.

Twelve years ago I investigated two cases (one fatal), and as two cows had died in the same parish of spinal meningitis, I was led to trace the milk supply, but according to all the accepted theories, infection could not be traced to that source. The fatal case died in two days, the second was cupped and treated as for acute uremic poisoning and recovered, but up to this day is suffering from Bright's disease, of which there was no hereditary history in his family. These youths had gone with a party to a neighboring town to enlist, and had not associated in any way prior or subsequently, and were only together when before the same surgeon to be vaccinated and if contagion resulted from the same source it happened at that moment.

If the kidneys of any ten cows are subjected to examination my supposition will be fully borne out by any intelligent medical faculty. I could quote 8 cases in Washington as positive as the above, also 3 in Mississippi, 10 in Maryland and 3 in Nebraska. It would be wise if public officials were prohibited from making public their opinions, especially if upon a subject where ignorance is acknowledged. Such opinions should be "official" only, and should have some weight, instead of such erratic suggestions, blaming first the blizzard, here yellow fever and now large army camps, etc. If the money wasted during the late epidemic had been used to equip a school for the study of public health, sanitary science and endemoepidemic diseases, it would save the District great expense, for during the "scare" I investigated sixteen cases and could not find a trace of smallpox. I found cases of a disease, seldom if ever fatal, which was called in England "sweating sickness" and in Spain and Italy "uplitary fever." The chief symptons are profuse sweating, a peculiar eruption and a characteristic nervous phenomena. It was epidemic some time ago near Sumter, S. C., some 2,000 cases, no restrictions, no quarantine, no deaths, and it passed off as any minor epidemic of measles or the like (the people were poor).

I may not be gifted with the intelligence of the compiler of "The Report," but I know sufficient of chemistry, bacteriology and the pathology of the diseases of animals transmissible to man, and I have seen too many cases of cancer, consumption, Bright's disease, and now cerebro spinal meningitis directly traceable to vaccination to uphold for one moment such a practice as inoculating the human being from the lower animal.

Jenner, the originator of vaccination, has been dead nearly 100 years, and surely medical science has made some progress since his day. Yours faithfully,

JOS AMBROSE THOMPSON.

Washington, D. C., April 24, 1899

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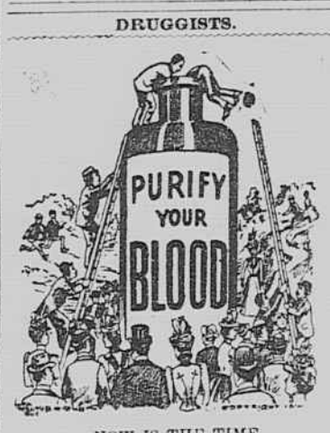

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