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Vaccine Lymph?



WITH ILLUSTRATIONS.

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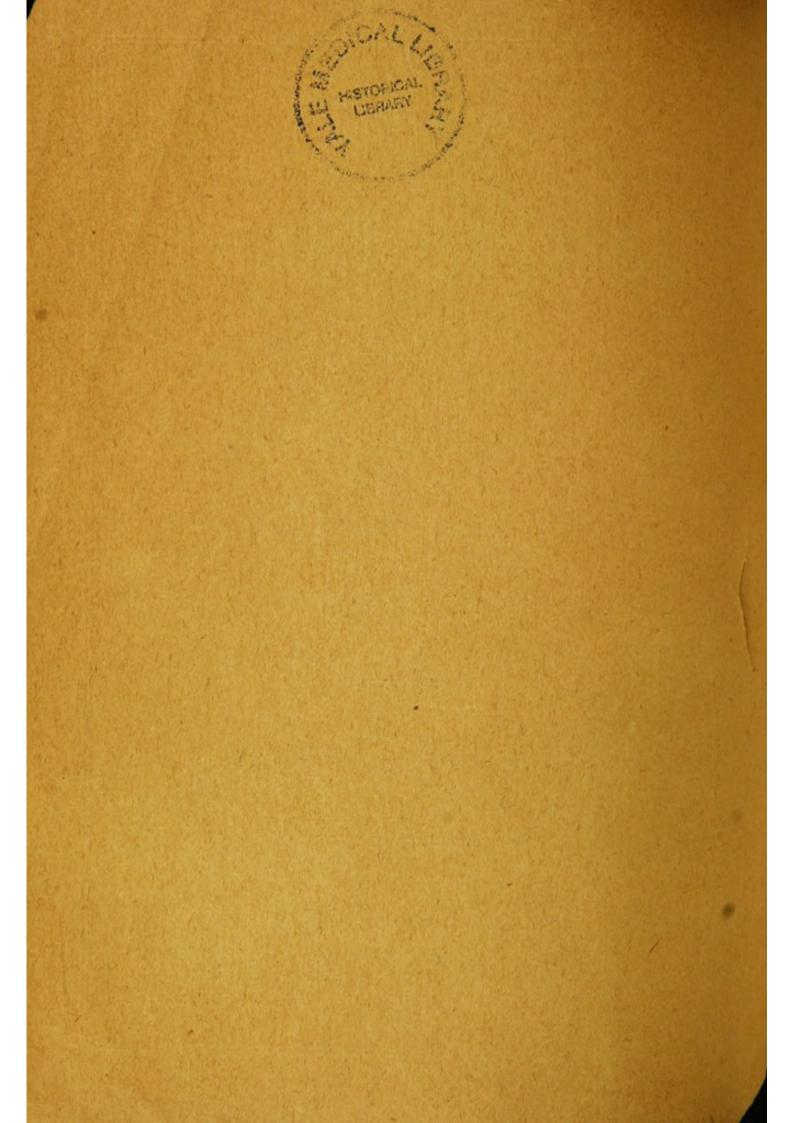
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REOPLE, WILL YOU THINK AND LEARN?

n the year 1889 her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, appointed a TION, and they deliberated for over seven years, their final report being presented in 1896. During that long period no less than 187 witnesses gave evidence and were closely crossexamined, but not one of these more-or-less expert authorities could furnish a satisfactory definition of "VACCINATION" and no definition of the term appears in any of the Acts. The answer of the writer to the query "What, in your opinion, is VACCINA-TION?" would be "The communication by an operation of the disease of VACCINIA." In that last sentence is one word which should immediately arrest the attention of every reader. we not told that "A Nation's health is a Nation's wealth." what may we reasonably expect to reap if DISEASE is sown: for it must never be forgotten that VACCINIA is a disease which does not belong to the human family at all—the very word itself indicates that, its derivation being the Latin word vacca meaning a cow.

PAY YOUR MONEY, TAKE YOUR CHOICE.

Whilst, however, this Jennerian System is popularly supposed to be the transference into the human being of the foul cattle disease of cowpox, or something akin to it, there is still an element of doubt concerning what we really receive, and when one medical man under cross-examination during the prosecution of a defaulter was asked the simple, straightforward question, "What is Vaccination?" he replied quite truthfully, but with a superabundance of professional caution: "What we say is VACCINATION, is VACCINATION." And so by chartering the services of a doctor in his ordinary capacity as a private medical practitioner—which, of course, means that his fee would have to be paid out of your own pocket instead of by the rate-payers as a whole—he can use or do that which satisfies his conscience and fill up a certificate of successful Vaccination.

WHICH KIND WOULD YOU PREFER?

Since its introduction over a century ago Vaccination has been nothing more nor less than a game of shuffle, and perhaps you will realise this upon perusing the following list of viruses which have been in vogue and which can scarcely fail to interest those who are on the look-out for a variety of lymph to be employed either upon their dear little children or themselves: (1) Cow Pox. (2) Horse Grease. (3) Horse Grease Cow Pox. (4) Swine Pox. (5) Donkey Pox, (introduced by an Irishman named O'Hara, but his countrymen are not such donkeys as to retain it,

(6) Goat Pox. (7) Buffalo Pox, (a horrible stinking compound.) (8) Humanised Lymph. (9) Calf Lymph.

(10) Glycerinated Calf Lymph. (11) Chloroformed Calf Lymph. (12) Small Pox, Monkey, Calf Lymph.

(13) Smallpox-Corpse, Monkey, Calf Lymph.

I am told—but have never tried the experiment—that with a bit of ship's biscuit (dog biscuit, I should think, would answer the purpose equally as well) or a thimble, typical scars ordinarily left by Vaccination can be produced, and the certainty is that those who create the "SATISFYING" marks by such methods as these, secure equal protection with none of the risks.

QUITE EQUAL TO VACCINATION.

A short time ago at a meeting of the Dewsbury Sanitary Committee the point was raised whether a doctor could tell when Vaccination had been performed. The then Medical Officer was most emphatic in his declaration, whereupon one member bared his right arm and exhibited two marks nearing the joint and towards the front. The medico averred that the councillor had good proof of a most successful Vaccination, but became somewhat non-plussed when the last mentioned drily remarked that those impressions were left by a donkey's teeth when he had bitten him three and a half years previously. There is no connecting link between this true story and the Irish Donkey Pox.

HOW IS CALF LYMPH OBTAINED?

Even could any good purpose be served it would not be possible within the limits of this small pamphlet to attempt to give descriptions of all the vile compounds enumerated above, the object being to apprise people of the wretched process which is gone through in order to procure the so-called LYMPH issued at the present day, rather than to dip into ancient history. And so we will come down to recent times and deal with facts which are well within the range of the memory of every average adult. It must not be overlooked, in the first place, that armto-arm Vaccination was officially recognised for something like 30 years, and during the whole of that time no Public Vaccinator or Parish Doctor, whilst acting as the servant of a Board of Guardians or Parish Council, was allowed to use CALF LYMPH. But ever since 1898 they have been compelled to employ what was previously condemned, viz; calf lymph, and humanised lymph is now "barred" by the Local Government Board. that remarkable change of position on the part of a Government Department, ought to have been more than sufficient to administer the death blow to vaccination, but as has been already remarked this has ever been a shuffling farce and the provaccinator can turn right-about face upon his attitude of a short period earlier without any qualms of conscience. That a fresh kind of lymph would be absolutely necessary if vaccination was to survive at all, became apparent during the sittings of the Royal Commission, before whom evidence was adduced of about 6,000 cases of serious injury and 800 certified deaths as the toll exacted by the arm-to-arm method. And those terrible totals have materially increased since then!

DON'T BE DELUDED BY A MISCONCEPTION.

Unfortunately there are a vast number of folks—well-meaning no doubt, but lamentably ill-informed-whose notion is that the calves produce lymph spontaneously, somewhat after the same manner that milk is derived from cows for instance. Could anything possibly be more erroneous—one might almost write more idiotic, were it not for the danger of offending the susceptibilities of someone. Members of the animal kingdom, according to their own kind, are born with the same degree of health and purity as a child and from such as these disease cannot be derived; as a matter of fact the real lymph contained in the lymphatic glands is an innocuous, colourless fluid which would be useless for the purposes of vaccination, seeing that it would not poison the blood, create any inflammation, raise vesicles nor leave scars. NO! What they style lymph is simply the product of diseased matter cultivated in the bodies of calves by raising on them sores similar to those which you may have noticed on an infant's arm at the time its vaccination is taking.

BEWARE OF THE WORD "PURE."

Although the adjective "PURE" is sometimes introduced by ignorant advocates of vaccination, presumably for the purpose of deceiving those who know as little about the subject as themselves, it must be pointed out that such a description is carefully avoided on the Government publications, and the tubes of lymph are not labelled to that effect. And no wonder either, for the plain facts of the case do not bear out any such contention. Before the Royal Commission it was acknowledged by the Local Government Board's bacteriologist and it has since been admitted in Parliament by the Right Hon. Walter H. Long, M.P., whilst President of that Department, that they do not guarantee the purity of lymph manufactured and sent out broadcast. The simple reason is that they CANNOT, for the man has not yet been born, nor has the microscope been made, which will enable such a close analysis of any sample, as will reveal the presence of all the germs of disease in the lymph. The only

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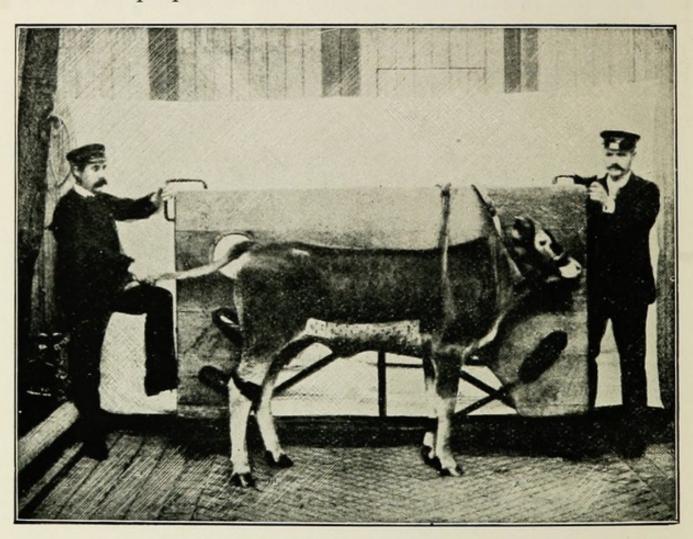
real test is by its use, and should it kill or maim one who is very near and dear to you the reflection that "It's only the luck of the game" affords very poor consolation indeed.

HOW THE CALVES ARE OPERATED ON.

For the appended account of the manner in which the lymph is made I depend upon the information contained in the "Report to the Local Government Board, on the preparation and storage of Glycerinated Calf Vaccine Lymph" and the illustrations are reproduced from the same source. Its authors are Sir Richard Thorne Thorne and Dr. S. Monckton Copeman, who visited Paris, Brussels, Berlin, Dresden, and Cologne.

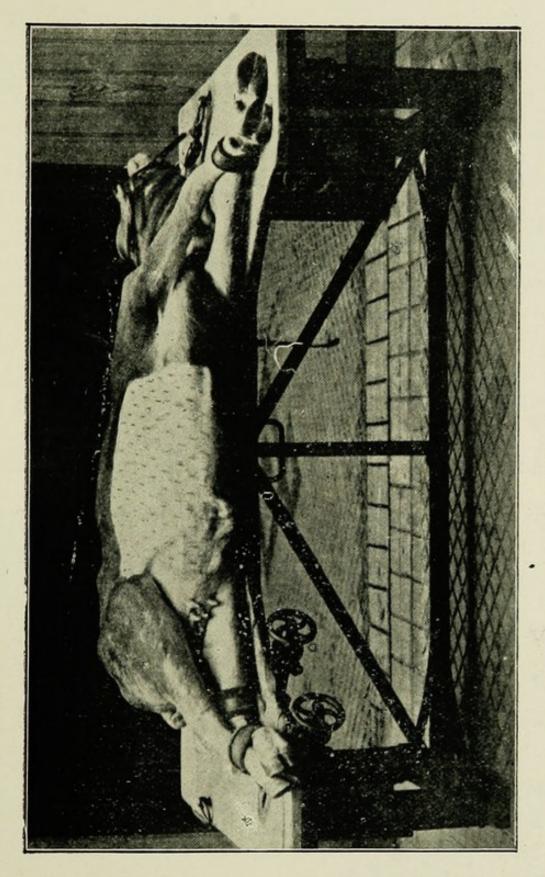
For operating purposes cow-calves averaging about 18 weeks old are selected. They cost something like 147 francs each, and after use are sold to a butcher at a small loss, for it is a fact that in our own country as well as on the Continent the carcases of these animals are consumed as human food after they have

served the purpose of vaccinifers.



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The first picture depicts the operating table fitted with straps which has been tilted over on to its side, so that the calf can be walked along in order to be fastened down.



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The restoration of the table to its horizontal position brings the animal into perfect subjection for the ordeal through which it is about to pass. It will be noticed that its head is encased in a leather muzzle, whilst its legs are very firmly secured. The abdomen (and in some laboratories inside the flanks) is thoroughly scrubbed with soap and hot water preparatory to the shaving of the area, after which the surface is again washed. Then a number of incisions—varying from 100 to 120, each

about an inch long and two inches apart—are made by means of a lancet with a spear-headed blade.

Now every common sense individual knows that if a wound is to heal up quickly and satisfactorily it must be kept clean and so it would be promptly and properly treated in order to remove all danger of contamination. But what would be regarded as "satisfactory" progress by ordinary folks is just the antipodes of what these vaccinators require, for THEIR object is to see the cuts fester and thus produce a maximum amount of matter. So over each incision a drop of lymph is allowed to fall and this is well rubbed in. The process is a somewhat lengthy one, and when the lymph has dried the calf is removed from the table and taken back to its stable.

You may well ask: Why do not the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals intervene? They have prosecuted and secured convictions in thousands of instances where unintentional torture, far less serious than this has been inflicted. Some of you may have suffered with three or four vesicles upon your arm.

In your imagination just multiply that pain thirty to fortyfold and you will then be able to form some idea of what these



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calves undergo. But you see this is legalised cruelty and so the watchful eyes of the R.S.P.C.A. officers do not peer inside the Government laboratories, pretty much upon the same principle that the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children will proceed against a father who has beaten his offspring, but winks its eye when several ugly sores have been created by a duly qualified medical man. Did someone remark that the law is "a hass"?

Whilst the calves are in their stall their heads and legs are tied up to prevent them licking or scratching themselves. it is only intended to collect the lymph from a portion of the vesicles the animal is allowed to stand, as depicted on the third illustration, but otherwise it is again placed on the operating table. In regard to this part of the revolting business it will, perhaps, be best to let the report speak for itself:

The vaccine material is always collected on the sixth day. The calf is once more placed on the table; or, if material is required for immediate use only, it is usually allowed to stand. The vaccinated area is washed with warm water, and dried with clean soft cloths. Each vesicle is now clamped separately, and the crust first removed with a lancet, which is then wiped on a cloth pinned to the front of the clean cotton blouse which the operator has previously donned.

The vesicle is then thoroughly scraped with the edge of a somewhat blunt lancet, and the resulting mixture of lymph, epithelial tissue (skin) and blood is transferred to a small nickel crucible set in a wide wooden stand on a table close to the operator.

To the pultaceous (gruelly) mass contained in the crucible there is added about an

equal quantity of glycerine. The mixture of pulp and glycerine is triturated in a mixing machine driven by a small

The mixture, having thus been rendered thin and homogeneous, is received in a clean sterlised nickel crucible placed beneath the machine, but with a view of still further improving its appearance and of removing any extraneous matters, such as hairs, it is afterwards pressed through a small brass-wire sieve consisting of extremely fine gauze into an agate mortar. This is done by means of a bone spoon, and there is left on the surface of the gauze nothing but a very small quantity of epithelial tissue together with a few hairs. The mixture is further triturated in the mortar with an agate pestle, and is then ready for filling into the tubes in which it is distributed then ready for filling into the tubes in which it is distributed.

GLYCERINE WILL HAVE TO GO.

In some instances calf-to-arm vaccination is practised, but it appeared much easier to gull the people into the belief that calf lymph would be less harmful if glycerine were mixed with it. The object of this is ostensibly two-fold: Firstly, to increase the quantity; and, secondly, to kill all extraneous germs of disease. Even Sir George Buchanan, MD., F.R.S., the Chief Medical Officer of the Local Government Board, said: -"I have heard of dilutions of lymph with glycerine. It will, I trust, be long before such preposterous adulterations of vaccine give the opportunity of investigating their results in English practices." The real truth is that instead of glycerine being a germicide it is actually a nutritive medium for the growth of putrefactive and other germs which soon invade the whole of the fluid. did not take the purveyors of lymph long to perceive that they had perpetrated another colossal blunder, and their recent experiments have been with chloroform-presumably to put Mr. Microbe to sleep because he refuses to be killed out-right-

and if you care to refer to the advertisement columns of the Medical Journals you will observe that the Lister Institute are now offering to supply chloroformed calf lymph, but as has already been pointed out whilst the doctors get their fees and grant your certificates, it is all "VACCINATION." Blessed be the immortal Jenner and all his works! Some swear by him; others swear at him.

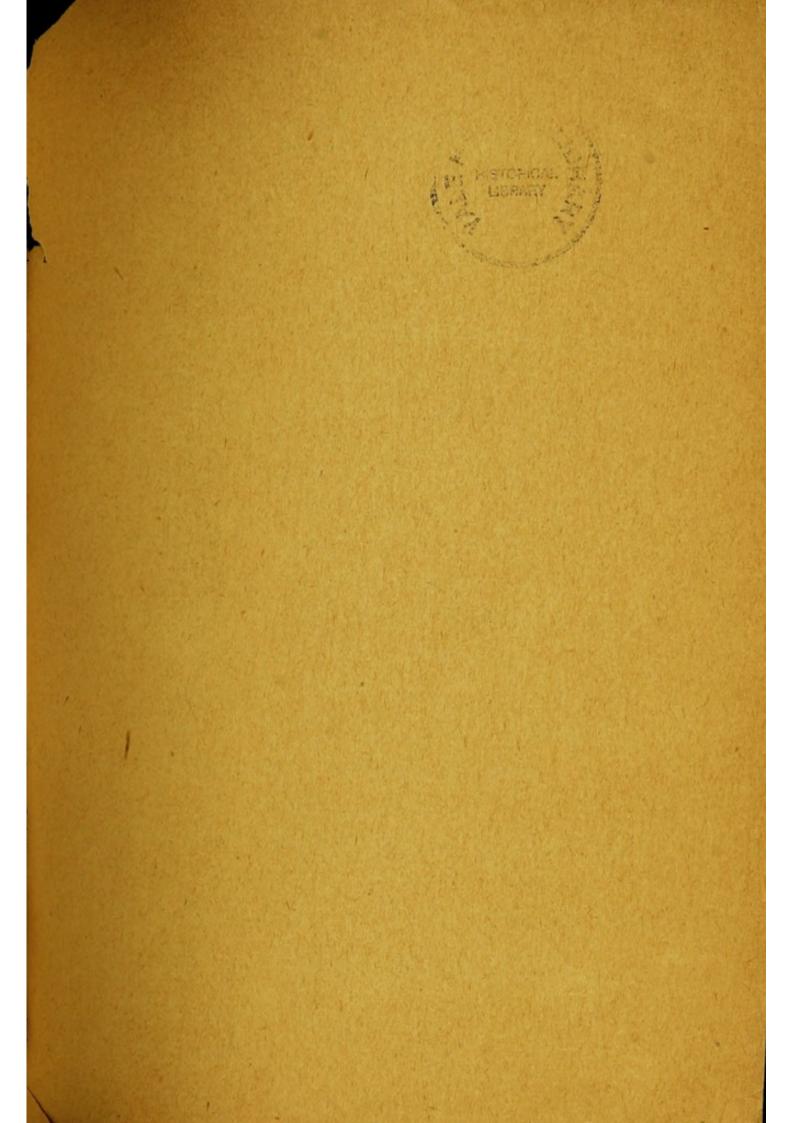
ENTER THE MONKEY!

One would have thought that the details already given would represent the height to which Folly could possibly attain, even in the name of Science. But such is not by any means the case, for the reports of latter-day experiments under the cloak of Vaccination cause everything by which they were preceded to pale into insignificance. Nor are we put to much trouble in obtaining the particulars, as they were disclosed in the course of a lecture delivered on April 25th, 1904, at the Victoria University of Manchester (Owen's College) by S. Monckton Copeman, M.A., M.D., F.R.C.P., D.P.H., F.R.S., Medical Inspector to the Local Government Board; Lecturer in Public Health, Westminster Hospital and have been published by Messrs Sherratt & Hughes at the University Press. From this we find that Smallpox material was obtained from Middlesbrough, West Ham, and Glasgow, and not only was this taken from the bodies of living patients but in the post-mortem room the corpses of those who had succumbed to the disease were tampered with. This human Smallpox matter was passed through Monkeys and Calves and afterwards a number of children were vaccinated with it. We have heard of youngsters getting up to monkey tricks, and in the future there will be plenty of excuse for them if strains of vaccine derived in the manner indicated should be brought into general use.

PARENTS, WAKE UP!

At the commencement of this pamphlet I enquired whether people would think and learn. Now in its concluding paragraph I can only express the fervent hope that you have learned sufficient to cause you to think, because just as soon as you do that you are starting to become an opponent of that tyrannical medical fetish which either results in polluting the blood of the children or makes criminals of honest men. In the Scriptures we read that God created man in His own image and everything He made was very good. Science is not the superior of the Creator and whoever supports vaccination libels the Almighty. Jenner has been thrown overboard and his discovery must soon follow after him. The system is tottering to its fall. Will you not help to topple it over to its destruction? "Some people can be fooled all the time and all people can be fooled some of the time, but you can't fool all the people all the time."

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