

Whooping Cough Cured by X-Ray Treatments

Will the X-Ray prove itself the long-looked-for remedy for whooping cough? A new departure in the treatment of this disease has been inaugurated at the Boston floating hospital, where for the last year patients have been experimented upon with great success, says a Boston dispatch to the Kansas City Star.

Dr. Henry L. Bowditch, physician in charge of the hospital, has renewed the treatment of whooping cough with the X-Ray, which treatment was discovered in 1911 by a Russian physician and abandoned by him as impractical.

Doctor Bowditch is the pioneer in this method of treatment in the New England states, and while cures in all cases are not effected completely through the agency of the X-Ray, great things are expected of it in the near future, the doctor said.

"Seventy-five per cent of the cases respond to treatment," Doctor Bowditch said. "In a period of two months last year we treated 338 cases with gratifying results.

"This treatment shortens the duration of the disease, lessens the cough and enables the patient to get much needed sleep."

Farmers Using Geysers

Geysers are proving useful adjuncts to farming in Iceland. A well-known dye works in that country linked up its factory with water pipes direct from the hot springs, and after using the hot water in the color processes and for heating the factory and the workmen's homes, conducted it through underground pipes laid in fields, which as a result yielded three times as much produce as neighboring fields not so equipped. Although from time immemorial the Icelanders have been familiar with geysers, only recently have their industrial uses been seriously considered, and a project is on foot to supply Reykjavik with hot water for heating, bathing and washing purposes from one of the neighboring hot springs.

New Blasting Record

What is believed to have been the biggest blast ever set off in the history of industry was recently fired near Ogden, Utah, to provide material for constructing the dills that are the approaches to the Great Salt Lake trestle of the Southern Pacific railroad. Earth and rock to an estimated volume of 550,000 cubic yards was raised and shattered by the explosion, which used 301,200 pounds of special-process powder, equivalent to 800,000 pounds of black powder. A hill 275 feet high and covering a face of approximately 1,000 feet in length was lifted up and separated into fragments. The placing of the explosives in tunnels, aggregating 4,100 feet in length, occupied 25 men for 45 days.

Not to Be Caught Twice

The clergyman, absorbed in thinking out a sermon, rounded a turn in the path and bumped into a cow. He swept off his hat with a flourish, exclaiming: "I beg your pardon, madam."

Then he observed his error and was annoyed. Soon, however, again engaged with thoughts of the sermon, he collided with a woman at another bend of the path.

"Get out of the way, you brute!" he said.

Heartless

"Ah," she sighed, "I shall never hear his footsteps again; the step I have listened for with eager ears as he came through the garden gate, the step that has so often thrilled my heart as I heard it on the front porch. Never, never again!"

"Has he left you?" asked the sympathetic friend.

"No, he has taken to wearing rubber soles!"—Good Hardware.

Who Comes After Her?

Young Man—So Miss Ethel is your oldest sister? Who comes after her?

Small Boy—Nobody ain't come yet, but Pa says the first fellow that comes can have her.—Everybody's Magazine.

Relics Dug Up Prove China Had a Stone Age

Discoveries made in China by J. G. Anderson, a Swedish scientist, establish in his belief, that China had a Stone age. At Fengtien the expedition headed by Professor Anderson excavated a cave about 8 by 16 feet. In it were found bones from about 40 human bodies and a large number of objects, none of which was of metal.

The objects included arrowheads, stone axes, bone awls, curious stone rings and a tiny piece of animal sculpture made of marble, fragments of remarkable vessels, some with pressed geometrical patterns and others with a polished red surface ornamented boldly in black. Professor Anderson dates the cave to the transition between the Stone age and the Bronze age, or about 2000-1500 B. C.

Large collections of remains also were found at Yang Shao, including specimens of red and black ceramic objects similar to those found at Fengtien. Heretofore leading experts on Chinese history have held that there was no evidence of a Stone age in China.

Dog's Value in Alaska

In Alaska, where the trackless wilderness and the gigantic snow fields are the general order for the greater part of the year, the principal means of conveyance is the snow sled which is drawn by the malamute, or the husky, as the Alaskan dog is commonly called, says the Detroit News.

Strong and apparently oblivious to the raging of the elements, these brave and hardy dogs are the pride of the Alaskans, who without them would be in even worse straits than we would be without railroads or automobiles. No matter how cold, these dogs are always ready and willing to obey their masters, and even after hundreds of miles of snow-covered waste have been traveled they are ever ready to be up and going at the beck of their two-legged companion, who is usually their friend as well as master.

Concrete Floors Avert Dampness in Quarters

Many farmers who in former years lost money in poultry raising are now making it a success, all because they are learning that clean, dry quarters for poultry keep the flocks healthy and result in larger egg production and better birds for the market.

A chicken coop with a floor that is likely to become muddy in wet weather and to become a source of dust in dry weather is not conducive to healthy poultry.

Concrete floors are now being laid in chicken coops in increasing numbers. The farmer has found that these floors save his flock in many ways by prevention of mud and dust and by checking the rat menace. Concrete floors prevent rats burrowing under the coops if the floors are surrounded by a low concrete wall about 15 inches high. And if rats do enter the coops through the doors there is no chance for them to burrow into the ground to build nests. Exclusion of rats means a great saving of eggs and young chicks.

A good, practical hen house floor is one two inches thick, made of a "rich" concrete mixture, in which three parts of sand are used to one part of portland cement. This floor should be well smoothed over with a trowel.

Before laying a concrete floor a satisfactory base should be made to give adequate provision for drainage. An eight-inch fill of coarse crushed rock or cinders makes a good base for a concrete hen house floor.

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APPLICATION FOR PARDON OF ANDREW HOLT.

Application will be made to the Governor of North Carolina for the pardon of Andrew Holt, convicted at the January Term, 1924, of the Superior Court of Person County for the crime of unlawful possession of spirituous liquors and sentenced to the roads of Durham County for term of twelve months.

All persons who oppose the granting of said pardon are invited to forward their protest to the Governor without delay.

This the 27th day of May 1924. 2ts.

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE

Having qualified as Administrator of the late Mrs. Eliza G. Carver, late of Roxboro, N. C., Person County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 27th day of May 1925, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

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