

destruction of sputum and other discharges; sterilization of linen of patients; fumigation of rooms after occupancy; and the use of gauze, which can be burned, instead of handkerchiefs. This will be the centre of the educational crusade.

Second. Attached to our dispensaries certain nurses who have received special instruction on nursing and preventing the spread of pneumonia, to be sent to all pneumonia cases in home nursing work.

Third. The reporting of all such cases to the health department governing the district where the disease exists, and the fumigation of the quarters in which the disease has occurred by the department after the death or recovery of the patient.

Fourth. The instruction of the public by pamphlets and school lectures on the necessity for keeping the noses and throats cleansed, especially during winter months; the necessity for controlling the dust of streets by better sprinkling and night sweeping; the evils of bad ventilation in house, public building and school; of alcohol; of badly cooked and poor food; of lack of rest; of worry; of the handkerchief; of the bearing of spitting on pneumonia as well as other diseases; of the increased resistance generated by open-air sleeping; and similar knowledge. This, I am sure, can best be engrafted on the child's mind rather than on that of the adult.

I have merely sketched to you the outline of preventive measures which are demanded by present positive knowledge of a disease for which we have no cure, and which is at present our most mortal enemy.

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