

useless, as well as out of place, once more to recapitulate the advantages of the bath treatment of typhoid fever. We can only point out that the great majority of hospital physicians who have had an extensive experience in the treatment of typhoid fever is unquestionably in favor of this method. It is equally certain that outside of hospital practice very few physicians see a sufficient number of cases of typhoid fever to enable them to judge of the relative merits of this or any other treatment of the disease. No one will deny that the bath treatment has certain advantages, and is open to certain objections, but these are infinitesimal when compared with "The greatest good to the greatest number," achieved. Moreover, it is not claimed that the bath treatment is the final expression of the physician's control over the disease, but that, in the present state of our knowledge, and in the absence of a truly specific treatment, it is the best we know of, working more constantly and more thoroughly for the patient's welfare in supporting the circulation, and the nervous system, assisting elimination of toxins, and relieving or preventing the occurrence of many of the more distressing and even dangerous symptoms in the course of the disease; and, last, but not least, lowering the mortality from this disease to a surprisingly uniform level, wherever the treatment has been introduced.