

ANTI-TYPHOID FEVER INOCULATION.

This method of preventing typhoid fever has been thoroughly tested in the Petawawa Camp, and has been found efficient. There was not a single case of typhoid fever in the camp last summer. It has been very extensively employed in the United States Army and Navy, with the best of results.

This is one more great step onward in the march of medical science. A regiment is sent to some foreign point. It is stationed for some months in a given place. Under former conditions typhoid fever would be almost certain to make its appearance among the men. We can recall what happened at Ladysmith a few years ago.

The pleasing feature of this method of prevention is that there appears to be no ill effects. It is an old saying and worthy of acceptance "that prevention is better than cure." It may be that the time will not be far distant when men going into lumber camps, nurses in charge of typhoid fever cases, and those exposed to the disease will undergo this preventive treatment.

FAITH HEALING.

It may be safely said that much of what we read in the public press about faith healing emanates from people with large sentiment and small reason. They talk much, but think little. Their ignorance is great regarding the problems of pathology; or, in other words, their knowledge is in inverse ratio to the importance and magnitude of the subject they undertake to discuss.

We do not wish for a single moment to be construed as calling in question genuine faith in the power of a Supreme Being, or that faith in such a Supreme Being may not influence the life of him who holds such a faith; or, in moments of trial, give him a courage of great value. This much might be granted of all forms of religious belief. We know that the Hindu will suffer cheerfully for his faith, and firmly believes that his god can do great things for him. So do the Indians of the Rocky Mountains. The Araucanos of South America would tell one the same story.

Along the centuries some believers in the Christian religion have been ever advancing the power of the church, or certain members thereof, to cure disease. Medical science has waited patiently for proof of these claims. There is no use blinking at this question. We must be frank.