

vaccine, and it appears that a very small number have been attacked by the disease. The following goes far to prove the efficacy of this measure. In the town of Algemesi, containing 12,000 inhabitants there have been 263 cases of Cholera and 114 deaths. Dr. Ferran inoculated 898 persons, of these eight only took the disease and of these eight, only one succumbed. If those figures are exact, which everything leads us to believe, the discovery of Dr. Ferran is one of the most beautiful inventions of modern science.

The Spanish Government hastened to order an investigation and appointed a commission for examination of the results of inoculations.

We anxiously await the result of this investigation and the report of the Academy of medicine.

The people of those countries in which this scourge still survives have great confidence in the method of Dr. Ferran. Whatever town he visits they receive him as a true hero and exert themselves to give him an enthusiastic welcome.

It is useless to add that this discovery has provoked numerous criticisms from the profession. While some strongly advocate the efficacy of Dr. Ferran's method, others proclaim his treatment useless or even dangerous, and finally some pretend that the anti-cholera vaccine has no physiological effect whatever, but only a moral effect which tends to aggravate the evil in allaying their fears and giving perfect tranquility of mind to those who have been inoculated.

In presence of this diversity of opinion it is wise to await the report of the Academy of medicine which we will hasten to make known to the readers of the MONTHLY as soon as the work of the commission shall have terminated.

“ God of the granite and the rose !
 Lord of the sparrow and the bee !
 The mighty tide of Being flows
 Thro' countless channels, Lord, from thee ;
 It leaps to life in grass and flowers,
 Thro' every grade of being runs,
 While from Creation's radiant towers
 Its glory flames in stars and suns.”

—Selected.