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experiments scientifically conducted. Its plausibility is admitted by even its most pronounced opponents, and I certainly can see no reason why granular masses of organic material may not be conveyed either by direct contact, or through the medium of the air, from a diseased animal to another animal, which, though free from any appreciable disease, may at the same time harbour a predisposition, thereby affording a favourable nidus for the reception of the contagium; and the contagium being received, it exerts in due time its peculiar influence.

Reason, and the greatest weight of evidence, are on the side of this hypothesis; however, we must remember that it is only a hypothesis, and not an established fact, and as such we must receive and investigate it with care, before placing implicit confidence in it; and in the meantime we must wait patiently yet awhile until new researches are made and more light thrown upon the subject, as at present it seems that this point will not admit of solution.

In conclusion of this part of my subject, I will say that, in my opinion, before long, everything relating to this disease will be made clear to us: all those points which are now hidden in obscurity will have that darkness cleared away by the magic hand of science, and brought to light, as many other wonderful and previously unsuspected facts have been brought to light within the last few years. At present, however, from the varieties of opinions held, and the multitudinous theories advanced, figuratively speaking, influenza is the rock upon which both professions have split; but more particularly is the veterinary profession divided on this point.

The disease begins with a chill, which is followed by febrile movement, heightened temperature, and thus the presence of fever is clearly indicated. Then coughing,