

of physicians living at some distance from Colorado, and especially is this true when they emanate from men who have attained prominence in this field.

It is a well-recognized fact, especially in Colorado, that the majority of tuberculous patients sent there from other parts of the country come with the understanding that the climate alone will give the beneficial results desired. The author has given particular attention to this point in the study of his cases. It is true that many of the patients improve, but, says the author, if they are carefully followed, it will be observed that in a large percentage the improvement is temporary or incomplete, and that sooner or later a relapse occurs. Hence, many of these patients, in a short time recognizing this truth, realize that they require more than climate. They feel the need of counsel, and, naturally turning to an expert on "climate," in a short time find themselves under his care. As the disease insidiously makes progress, the patient receives the final information that climate was sought too late, and is ordered to his former home. In this manner many physicians at a distance have already learned that the statements regarding climate alone proving beneficial in tuberculosis have been misleading.

The author would not be understood as opposing properly selected climates in the treatment of tuberculosis. He maintains, however, that erroneous impressions have been given to those who have had no opportunity to investigate this question for themselves. Any well-informed physicians, and even the well-informed laity, will recognize as self-evident that more than climate is necessary to bring about successful results in these cases. Proper tissue nutrition and aids to cell metabolism are essential points which cannot be neglected in the successful treatment of tuberculosis.

It has been the author's experience that there are few diseases which require more careful, conscientious and earnest advice than tuberculosis, even when the patients have the advantage of living in the Colorado climate. The climate, in many cases, aided by a rest from cares and former labors, often checks the active processes of the disease and causes it to remain in a quiescent state. In many cases, however, this latent state is misinterpreted as a cure, and not until the patients return to their former homes do they realize their error, when the disease shows evidence of renewed activity.