

A dog of previously determined weight was denied all food for a period of twenty-four hours and was given instead a quantity of Petroleum Emulsion, equal in weight to the amount of regular food which the dog had consumed in the twenty-four hours previous to the experiment. Under the administration of the petroleum alone the dog lost two ounces in weight. This dog was then given small quantities of food in addition to a minimum amount of ANGIER'S PETROLEUM EMULSION and the weight of the animal increased in three days to four ounces in excess of the original weight. This proves that while petroleum in itself is not capable of maintaining body nutrition, given in conjunction with even small quantities of food, it causes an increased utilization of the latter over that possible from food alone, so that the body weight promptly, steadily, and progressively increased.

**EFFECT ON DIGESTION.** Digestion and assimilation are natural processes, and any product which delays, hampers, or renders more difficult these processes, cannot help but inhibit nutrition. To determine the effect of petroleum on digestion, there was administered in some cases food alone, and in other cases food plus ANGIER'S PETROLEUM EMULSION to both persons and dogs, and then extracted the stomach contents for purposes of comparison. It was found that in the cases in which food alone was given, digestion was less rapid and less complete than in those cases to which were administered food plus petroleum. It was further noted in the above experiments that petroleum administered in ten times the regular dose, did not in a single instance induce eructations, gastric distress or toxic symptoms of any kind. These experiments prove that petroleum facilitates and expedites digestion without producing a single symptom indicative of gastric irritation or toxic infection.

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