

larged. This interferes with the child's breathing and speech, and sometimes with the ears, causing deafness. If this child is forced by the enlarged tonsils to breath through its mouth, this mouth-breathing will cause serious inroads on its health. Much of this can be prevented, and many times enlarged tonsils will be made to resume their normal condition by the timely administration of the proper homeopathic remedy. But if the parents neglect the condition and allow the tonsils to become, as a result of repeated attacks, chronically enlarged and hard, then nothing will do any good but removing them. So take warning. Prevent the difficulty by curing it beforehand.

One of the most serious diseases to handle under old school treatment is pneumonia. This present winter this disease has claimed its victims by the score. Old school physicians are constantly deploring the fatality of this disease and are hunting for some specific treatment. It is strange that these same men will not investigate what homeopathy can and is doing for these cases. At a meeting of the Allen Materia Medica Club of Springfield, Mass., which is a homeopathic society, every physician voiced the statement that they did not have very many cases of pneumonia to treat. That had been the experience of the writer, and naturally he was interested to know if the other homeopaths in the same field were meeting with his same experience. During this same time our papers were announcing the prevalence of pneumonia and continually recording deaths from this cause. Each physician's experience and testimony on the subject was that the reason was because under homeopathic treatment very few cases of la grippe and colds ever developed into pneumonia. As stated in a previous paragraph, the timely use of aconite or ferrum phos. or gels. will prevent the development of ninety-nine per cent. of those cases which under old school treatment develop pneumonia. But after pneumonia develops what then? Well homeopathy has made a brilliant record in this disease and under this treatment there are very few deaths. Professor J. S. Mitchell, late president of the Chicago Homeopathic College, was accustomed to say in his lectures on this subject, "that he considered no other disease so amenable to treatment as pneumonia." He also stated that he never lost an uncomplicated case of pneumonia in a patient under physicians of all schools of practice, during all the years of his practice, fifty years of age, and Professor Mitchell was an authority respected by physicians of all schools of practice.

(To be concluded.)

### THE STERILIZED KID.

Take up the babe from the sterilized bed,

With sterilized gauze scour his sterilized head;

In sterilized tub give a sterilized bath,  
And take him to walk on a sterilized path.

Dress him in muslin or sterilized silk,  
Give him a breakfast of sterilized milk;  
Let him play only with sterilized toys,  
Have nothing to do with unsterilized boys,

Use a sterilized bottle with sterilized spout,

Nothing unsterilized let lie about.

Get him at once a well-sterilized nurse.  
And his finish will be in a sterilized hearse.

[But the bugs will get him at last—  
underground.—Editor.—Exchange.

### THE THERAPEUTIC POSSIBILITIES OF MUSIC.

Are illustrated in a little story told by a writer in the Medical Brief. One of his patients had received the last rites of the church, the pulse had ceased at the wrist, and he had sunk into the coma which usually precedes death.

Some one in the next house struck up the Anvil Chorus from "Il Trovatore," he writes. "I was very much annoyed and distressed, and tried to stop it. Suddenly the pulsation at the wrist began again, the patient gradually opened his eyes and motioned to his sister. She bent low, and he whispered in her ear. 'Te dum te dee; that is my favorite tune,' said he. We roused him, fed him, and to-day, ten years after the event, he weighs 240 pounds." The writer goes on to state his belief that the perfect quiet of the ideal sick-room is not always for the patient's good, and the editor of the Medical Standard (to whom we are indebted for the story) agrees with him. The editor says he never went through a long sickness in his life, but he can conceive how many a mind accustomed to activity may be submerged to the point of non-resistance by the "awful calm of the sick-room, with its tip-toeing nurse, whispering friends, subdued light—and entire absence of human interest. Something to stir the senses like music, or to stimulate the intellect like a book—or even a newspaper—should arouse the latent physical forces better than a drug. But these physical remedies, like the physical ones, must be used in the right time and place."