

not entirely banished from among civilized communities, may form a quite inconsiderable item in the bills of mortality; nevertheless, what has already been accomplished is marvellous, and the illumination that we in medicine have received through this work inaugurated by Pasteur is truly beyond description.

As that strange contemner of applied science, Ruskin, admits in his "Frondees Agrestes," "It is ordained for our encouragement that every step we make in the more exalted range of science adds something also to its practical applicabilities." Never was this more truly proved than it has been in connection with Pasteur's observations upon dextro- and levogyrous crystals. But here it was granted to the man himself to find the numerous applications, and—what the gods have granted to few of earth's greatest—to see in his lifetime the fruition of his labours.

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Major Thure Brandt, the originator of the system of massage which bears his name, is dead.

Prof. Hoppe-Seyler, of the University of Strassburg, the greatest physiological chemist of our time, died suddenly on August 12th.

Dr. K. Schimmelbusch, first assistant at Prof. von Bergmann's clinic, died on August 2nd, aged 35 years. His researches in regard to the asepsis of wounds had already established his reputation.