

sterilized milk was to be discouraged altogether, and whether we ought to advise parents to add some vegetable substance and meat juice to the diet as a prophylactic.

Dr. BLACKADER said, in reference to the use of patent infant foods, that one was obliged to confess that in some instances it seemed necessary to have recourse to them. They might be used as a bridge to carry us over a difficulty, but their prolonged use had always appeared to him objectionable. The one important advantage which they possessed is that their process of manufacture might be supposed to render them sterile, and during the summer months, and often during the winter months, it might be almost impossible in some families to command an absolutely sterile food in any other way. In the light shown by the occasional appearance of scurvy in infants fed entirely on them he thought we must regard all foods which had been prepared at a temperature of about 212° F. as dead foods—foods which fail to afford a perfect nutrition to the infant.