

"Facts are not wanting which tend to establish that the tuberculous constitution where there is no local disease, is benefitted by the moderate use of these fluids, and that the principle is sanctioned by theory, but then the stimulus must be moderate, uniform, constant, and accompanied by a generous diet containing a proper proportion of the staminal principles and essential elements of food." Dr. Peters also remarks that alcohol would seem to produce a state of blood opposite to that which obtains in this disease, and may thus prevent the development of it, and that the excessive use of alcohol does not destroy life by producing tuberculosis, but rather by producing other diseases, as those of the nervous system and of the liver.

Dr. Hastings and others tried the effects of fluoric acid, giving the forty-eighth part of a drop three times a day, and with most marked success, even in cases where suppuration and ulceration had commenced.

They all extol the direct action of this and oxalic acid, in half-grain doses, as more efficacious than naphtha or cod-liver oil in the most confirmed cases, but the chief good to be derived from either of the above is in the case of incipient phthisis, or still more in those suspected cases where hereditary tendency is associated with anæmia and the other symptoms of approaching disease. Carbonic acid is of the same type. The neighborhood of marshes and swampy land abounding with exhalations of carbonic acid was once considered a safe retreat for the consumptive invalid, as it was well known that ague and consumption are not found in the same locality. The sea-side was formerly resorted to as a place of safety, but without any good, as the saline atmosphere was more to be dreaded than the advantage gained by the carbonic acid. Fruit is another of the same preventions, abounding in the same class of elements, viz., carbon, oxygen, with little or no hydrogen, and no nitrogen,—

Tartaric Acid,	$C_4 H_2 O_5.$
Malic "	$C_4 H_2 O_4.$
Carbonic "	$CO_2.$
" Oxide,	$CO.$
Oxalic Acid,	$C_2 O_3.$

Making Carbonic Acid and Carbonic Oxide agree with Oxalic Acid; this is the sole medicinal benefit of Cod-liver oil. It contains CO_2 and CO , equivalents of Oxalic; this is shown by giving