

simply a plain, concise working formula for convenient reference in the field and base hospitals.

The reader who is interested in the principle that underlies the cures made by this autotherapeutic method of wound treatment is referred to the medical periodicals given in the bibliography at the close of this article.

THE PREVENTION OF INFECTION.

The dog licks and cures his wounds. The only place he ever has an infection is on the head, where from anatomical reasons he cannot lick. If pus from a wound on his head be placed in his mouth at proper intervals, these wounds will also heal quickly.

If the soldier wounded on the battlefield licks his wound regularly every two hours, for three days, there will be no more deaths from this cause, for his wound will apparently heal by first intention. If from anatomical reasons the wound is so situated he cannot suck or lick it, he may still be able to abort infection by simply chewing the blood-stained portions of the cloth that covers the wound, for five minutes, swallowing the juices. This should be done twice daily for several days till the danger of infection is past. Any foreign body should be taken from the wound and chewed in a similar manner. When the mouth of the wound is small and tends to close, it must be kept open by a drain which should be used therapeutically in a similar manner. Nothing but boiled water should be used to clean the wound. If a wet dressing is desired, use normal saline only.

The "dog catchers" of the city of New York never have purulent infection, tetanus or hydrophobia, follow an injury received from the teeth of animals, and they are bitten continuously. The reason for this is, because they cure their wounds autotherapeutically. That is, they suck and lick a bite from an animal as soon as it is received. It should be remembered that we believe that the bite from an animal is liable to result in an infection, or possibly tetanus, and any neglect to thoroughly cauterize the bite from any animal invites infection, and possibly tetanus, or hydrophobia. This absolutely dependable method of wound treatment has been verified several hundreds of times a year for many years. Leading "veterinary physicians" claim in published articles on the subject of autotherapy that they would consider it a crime not to treat infection in horses by means of "autotherapy." They save the city of New York several thousands of dollars annually, by treating horses by means of autotherapy that otherwise would have been shot.