

chorea, chronic nephritis, diabetes, etc. It is stated that disease is one with varieties. He contends that lactose is a mind remedy and in this way cures these disorders. It is said that it will cure the severest forms of disease in from a few minutes to a few weeks. Even spinal curvature yields to this remedy. It is more brilliant among remedies than the diamond among gems!

COAL IN CANADA.

Conservation of Coal in Canada, with Notes on the Principal Coal Mines, from the Commission of Conservation. By W. J. Dick, M.Sc., Mining Engineer for the Commission. Toronto: The Bryant Press, 1914.

This volume from the Commission contains all the information possible on the coal of Canada. The volume goes fully into the different varieties of coal in the country, where they are to be found, and the methods of mining. It urges the utmost conservation of our supplies, as the day may not be far distant when the United States may prohibit the exportation of anthracite coal. It is pointed out that areas of this variety are rather limited in Canada. The report is worthy of careful study.

MISCELLANEOUS MEDICAL NEWS

ANTIVIVISECTIONIST MERCY.

Dr. Samuel M. Brickner, for many years an honored editorial assistant to the *New York Medical Journal*, contributed the following striking verses to the *New York Times* for April 23rd:

The counterpane that covers motherhood
Too often still becomes a shroud entwined:
"Let not this sacred act demand our blood
But spare the dog and all his sacred kind."

Our little children fall a hideous prey
To motherhood's scourge, and broken, bent, they lie:
"Blot out this epidemic from the day,
But spare the monkey and the stable fly."