

des Sciences at Lille. From this time, till stricken with hæmiplegia at the age of 46 years, his work had been of immense service to the various French industries. Though temporarily laid aside from work, his convalescence continued, and when the Franco-Prussian war broke out he was so improved that he looked forward to an early resumption of his laboratory work. But it was not to be till the war ended, by which time he had regained much of his strength and was able to move about. It was in 1873 that Pasteur wrote: "How I wish I had enough health and sufficient knowledge to throw myself body and soul into the experimental study of one of our infectious diseases." From this date more markedly is shown his more intimate relations with the medical profession. His views on germination, Lord Lister says, demonstrated to him the truth of the germ theory of putrefaction, and this furnished him with the principle upon which alone the antiseptic system can be carried out. He was invited to visit Edinburgh by Lord Lister "to see at our hospital how largely mankind is being benefited by your labours." From this time his work in the field of serum injections as preventative of certain diseases is well known to the majority of medical men. In hydrophobia his labours are known to lay and medical public alike.

Volume two is the most interesting to the medical practitioner, and will more than repay perusal. On the 28th of Sept., 1895, Pasteur died, leaving behind him a name which will endure, I was going to say, forever. Few men have done more for his generation than he has. His biography will well repay perusal, and we commend it to all our readers.

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