Or a narrow-minded bigot Who accepts without a reason Any absurd thing priests tell him. Thus is offered health and freedom In this Oregon Elysium. But the measure of prosperity Depends somewhat upon industry.

#### An Anti Heard From.

EDITOR TORCH OF REASON:

I see by your report of a local (Silverton) meeting that in the discussion upon "Vaccination" there was not sufficient argument offered for the "antis." This is rather unusual. I have often seen meetings where the "pros" failed to respond to the challenge to debate. It is a large subject, and though forced upon the interest and attention of thousands at the present time by health(?) boards, I will not presume to ask the use of your space to present my views, or at least not more than a mere outline of them. I tried for over twenty years to see both sides of the subject, but have grown to be an active partisan of the opposition, and a few years ago I summed up the following forty "vaccine points:"

WHAT WE DON'T KNOW OF VAC-CINATION.

- germ.
- 2 What the result will be in any
- 3 Who can be safely vaccinated.
- 5 How to make it safe or harm- i. e., vaccination.
- 6 What proportion of cases prove about it think the worst of it. fatal.
- pox.
- 8 Who is and who is not liable to smallpox.
- 9 How many who die of small- sick. pox have been vaccinated—the facts are suppressed.
  - 11 Whether even a so-called pure
- risks.
- to protect.
- good(?) or evil lasts.
- take, or in 2, 5 or 7 years.
- away with smallpox unaided by "beat the devil at his own game." sanitation.
- come."
- 17 Why law should coerce acceptance of a medical superstition if not a religious dogma.
- 18 Why, if "cleanliness is godliness," disease-mongering is not deviltry.
- denounce spreading children's dis- ances, we will make you a present eases as "the grossest wrong."
- that "the root of all evil" is in it. two-cent stamp.

WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT VACCINATION.

- 1 That it is a filth disease—a
- 2 That it is not related to small-
- 3 That its course may be mild or
- 4 That it may cause death by erysipelas or pyæmia.
- 5 That it is always a risky business and a filthy fad.
- 6 That fatalities are not so reported, but covered up.
- 7 That many of the vaccinated take smallpox.
- 8 That many unvaccinated never
- 9 That thoroughly vaccinated persons do die of smallpox-lots of cases recorded.
- 10 That syphilis can be conveyed the surgeon's knife.
- 11 That infantile syphilis increased in England (1853 to 1883) in proportion to vaccination.
- 12 That many English towns have quit it.
- 13 That Leicester (England) has fought off smallpox for ten years without it.
- 14 That sanitation and isolation deserve all the credit and vaccination none.
- 15 That compulsion is unjustifi-1 Source of the disease-or its able, and taxation without education is tyranny.
  - 16 That the present law can't enforce vaccination.
- 17 That law cannot properly 4 Who will die from its effects. deal with what it cannot define-
  - 18 That doctors who know most
- 19 That if those who do it could 7 That it ever prevented small- be made to pay for damages they would soon quit.
  - 20 That those who are well need not a physician, but those that are

I challenge the other side to give any convincing proof that I am 10 How to get a safe, pure virus. wrong on one in forty. There is no royal road to education, no virus could be used without serious cheap and easy short cut, and so there is no charm, or trick, or 12 How often it should be done fetish by which we can dodge disease and promote health. The 13 How long its influence for one way to health (wholeness) is by conformity to laws or condi-14 How to decide when to re- tions that favor it, and I stand peat it-whether as often as it will firmly on the rock that we cannot gain health and advantage by 15 How far it would have done "disease-mongering" or trying to If you can find space for my forty 16 What legal or moral right points, many may find them hardy there is "to do evil that good may to pocket for reference and useful in argument.

> Yours truly, Е. В. FOOTE, JR., M. D. New York, Feb. 17, E. M. 300.

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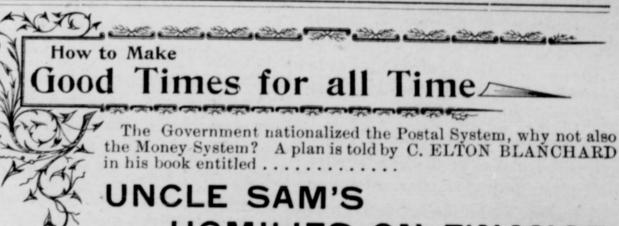
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