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IMAGINARY DISEASES.

Without doubt very many of the ailments under which human beings suffer, and even die, can be enumerated as at least closely allied to imaginary ills. Of late discussions and investigations are almost demonstrating that the dreaded hydrophobia exists only in the imagination.

In speaking of this disease, and of course in its connection, of its cure by the "madstone" process—a description of a special stone owned by Mr. Moses in this county we recently published—we find from gleaming that two eminent specialists recently gave their opinions that belief in the curative powers of the madstone is the merest superstition. In so describing it Dr. Hamilton and Dr. Spitzka undoubtedly expressed the sentiment of the medical profession generally. They have no more faith in the ability of the madstone to cure hydrophobia than scientific men have confidence in the virtues of the divining rod to discover mines and treasures. Yet there is no superstition older, more extensive, and of greater vitality than this belief in the madstone. It goes back to the most ancient times. For ages it has continued in China and the East Indies, and Pliny speaks of the ability of the petrification called ammonite cornu, and now known as ammonite, to extract the virus from wounds inflicted by mad dogs and venomous reptiles. This stone is the fossil of an extinct mollusk, and one brought from Bombay to Richmond many years ago was believed at the time to have cured several cases of hydrophobia in a very marvelous way, affidavits supporting the assertion. But the madstone at present in use is described as a formation found in the bladders of deer. At least such a specimen was obtained by the Geological Survey in North Carolina five or six years ago. It came from the paunch of a white-spotted deer, and was said to have cured a case of hydrophobia and one of rattlesnake bite, these cures also being substantiated by affidavits. The madstone was more recently used with success at Terre Haute, in Indiana, according to a correspondent of the Indianapolis Journal. As it is a porous stone it operates, if it operates at all, by absorption, but in that respect, as Dr. Hamilton says, it has no more curative power than a common sponge. Any porous substance applied to a wound would act in the same way. The belief in the madstone as a cure for hydrophobia is, moreover, only one among many superstitions as to the methods of dealing with that terrible disease which have been held in both ancient and modern times. It is a question, too, whether the disease itself is not imaginary quite as much as real, and for that reason especially adapted for the use of superstitious means of cure—madstones, incantations, charms and faith cures. Both Dr. Hamilton and Dr. Spitzka express some skepticism on this point. Few physicians allege that they have seen a genuine case of hydrophobia in man, and Dr. Spitzka goes so far as to say that real rabies, transmissible from dog to man by a bite of the dog only, has not yet been demonstrated. In the great majority of cases, at least, it is a purely imaginary disease, and in others blood-poisoning or lockjaw may furnish the explanation. But people will answer that in their own experience they have known of rabies—of men, women and children dying in horrible tortures because of the bites of mad dogs. From this time forth until the end of the summer many alleged cases will be reported in the newspapers. Whole communities, very likely, will be terrified by dogs regarded as mad, as happened in Newark a few years ago, and there will be a wild demand for the slaughter and extermination of the entire canine creation. To these the physicians answer that this very terror may provoke nervous maladies which, among their manifold forms, will

take on the appearance of hydrophobia. The manifestations under hysteria are often to the last degree startling and horrifying, and there is no doubt that the imagination is capable of creating what seems to be a case of rabies, with all the frightful symptoms attributed to it. The person bitten is thrown into a condition of abject terror by the excitement of the chase of the mob after the equally terrified dog, and he and his friends live hereafter in constant dread of the consequences. Thus it comes to pass that finally his own imagination brings on him what seems to be the expected disease. The sufferer, as Dr. Spitzka says, dies from fright. That is the true explanation of the great majority of what are called cases of hydrophobia, and, of course, imaginary cures may avail in imaginary diseases. The scientific physician constantly uses the imagination in this way with purely nervous affections, and quacks, charlatans, and fanatics have always employed it successfully. Very often men may get well by determining to do so, or, in the case of women more especially, by reaching the true conclusion that they are well, after all. Therein lies such potency as the mind cures and faith cures have, and to that extent they may be useful. The madstone cures because its curative power is believed in. But the true remedial agent is not the stone ammonite or the secretion of the deer. It is the faith alone. Very likely such cures as are accredited to Pasteur's method of inoculation are also due to the wonder working power of the human imagination.

THE thrifty Canadians who have made applications to American swindlers for "green goods" are placed in an awkward position. Their letters were sent to the Dead Letter Office in Washington and by the officials turned over to the Dominican authorities. Thus the police have a full list of the men who wanted to cheat their fellow citizens with spurious paper money. What makes the matter noteworthy is that many of the people are of good reputation. It would seem that after the thorough exposure of this "green goods" swindle which every newspaper in the country has given frequently, no one could be found with a sufficient mixture of cupidity and credulity to swallow the tempting bait thrown out, but this Canadian incident proves that the sharpest will always reap a harvest until the average man becomes more honest.

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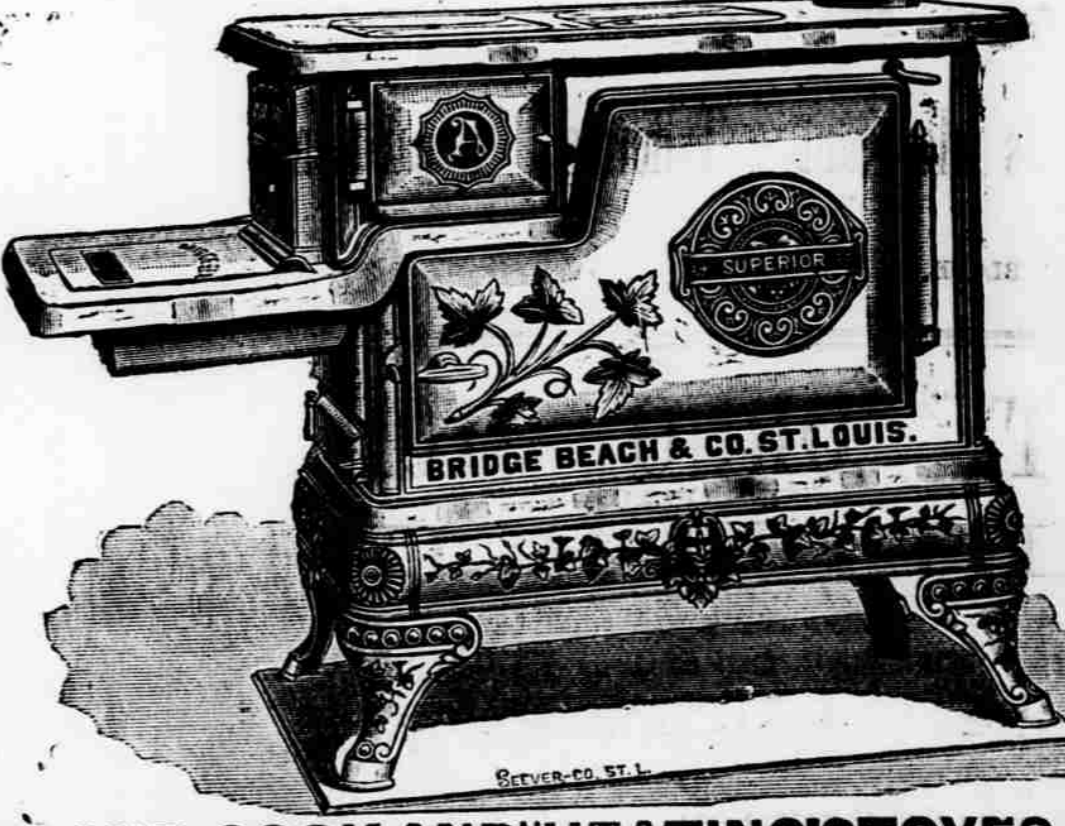
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