

A New Hope

The announcement of Professor Behring, the eminent bacteriologist who discovered the diphtheria serum, that he has at last found a path that promises to lead to a cure for tuberculosis, is the best news the medical world has had for a long time. It seems that the early reports erred in saying that Professor Behring had claimed a positive cure. Here is his own statement of what he has done:

"The exact facts are that I have been studying for a long time a new method of treating tuberculosis, and think I have broken fresh ground. There are certain animals which contract this malady with great facility, and have hitherto proved refractory to all attempts at vaccination.

"I have finally succeeded in rendering them immune as regards the bacillus, and probably can even cure them when the disease is fully developed in them.

"Experiments on mankind have not yet been made, but there is ground for hope in this respect, the path I am following being totally different from those explored up to the present."

Dr. Ravenal of Philadelphia, who visited Professor Behring a year ago, believes that the plan is to feed patients on the milk of immune cows. Whatever it shall prove to be the words "ground for hope" from a man as great as Behring must now sound like the sweetest music to thousands—nay, millions—who know they are in peril. If only the Great White Plague shall be conquered at last!

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