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BOSTON SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY MEETING
Dr. E. H. Slack Gives Interesting Talk on "Controlling Of Diseases."

Last night Dr. E. H. Slack spoke at the meeting of the Boston Scientific Society. The speaker is the secretary of the Boston Health Department and therefore well qualified to speak on the 'Controlling of Diseases.'

Dr. Slack began by telling about charms. He compared their use by the Africans living on the Nile with the similar use of horsechestnuts and like objects by the people of this country. He then went on to the subject of bacteria. He deprecated the disinfection of rooms, etc., claiming that the dangers of infection from the air are negligible. Germs, he said, can be boiled and yet exist.

The chief source of infection, Dr. Slack continued, was contact with the patient or his excreta, spray of the mouth in talking, and the habit of putting the hand in the mouth. Besides contact, the chief danger lies in water, food, flies, and milk. - Dr. Slack expressed himself strongly in favor of vaccination, especially in the case of typhoid.

Then the speaker went on to the spread of diseases by insects such as the mosquito, which brings yellow fever and malaria, and the stable flies, which are held responsible for the spread of infantile paralysis.

Other diseases are transferred mechanically, such as typhoid and diphtheria. Figures, Dr. Slack stated, show that one death in every ten is caused by tuberculosis.

Dr. Slack ended his talk with a few words on the work of the health department. Slides were then thrown on the screen to show graphically the decrease of the diseases mentioned.

The University of Washington has requested its president, Dr. Kane, to resign. A Seattle newspaper states the reason given by the University Regents is that Dr. Kane is unprogressive.

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