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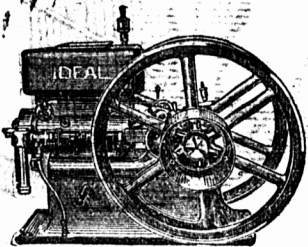
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Naturally, when the intradermal test was announced, we hoped that it would prove a success, but with the failure of the ophthalmic and the cutaneous test, fresh in mind we were very skeptical about it. We, therefore, began its use with extreme caution. We had so little faith in it that we never thought of using it at all, except to compare with the temperature test before any animal was condemned. Results were surprisingly satisfactory from the beginning. We looked for a chance to give it a severe trial. For this purpose we selected an old herd, which we reasonably expected to be badly diseased with tuberculosis. Fifty nine of the old animals were given the intradermal test. One reaction resulted. We were about ready to discard this test without further trial, but we followed, up in a few days with them subcutaneous test and strange to say, got a slight temperature reaction in the same animal and no others.

The reaction from the intradermal test was more marked than that from the temperature test, the latter giving what is ordinarily considered a "suspicious" reaction. The cow was old and practically worthless and, therefore, condemned on the suspicious reaction to the temperature test.

Our doubts about the accuracy of both reactions was increased by the reason that this cow had been in the herd for a number of years and none of the other animals had become affected, which is directly contrary to the general rule. She soon went to slaughter and showed a tuberculosis lesion of the liver, thereby strengthening our faith in the intradermal test and explaining why the other cattle in the herd had not become affected. We then began the use of the intradermal test on lots of cattle scattered out through the country around Independence but never with the thought of condemning an animal showing a reaction to it until the temperature test had been applied. We soon found that the verification of the intradermal test with the temperature test, superfluous and unnecessary, but for the sake of trying the matter out thoroughly, we continued to carry the temperature test along with the intradermal test in diseased herds after we began testing cattle in the vicinity of Columbia. However, we soon discovered the tuberculous centres in the vicinity of Columbia. We ventured to rely

upon negative results from finishing the work around Columbia, however, we abandoned the temperature and used the intradermal test altogether. We left the tuberculin testing off about July 1st, and our whole force went on to tick eradication. When we took up the tuberculin testing again last fall, we did so with the intention of using nothing but the intradermal test. Several lots of cattle around Springhill, Pleasant Hill and St. Joseph were tested up to December 31st and in all 3458 head, forty-four herds were found to contain one or more reaction animals. One hundred and thirty eight head of cattle were condemned. One hundred and three of these condemned cattle have, to this writing, been slaughtered and lesions of tuberculosis visible to the naked eye found in all but two. Considering the slaughtered animals alone, the intradermal test has apparently made two errors in 103 autopsies. At this ratio, there is a probability of less than one error in the 35 reacting cows still on hand. Up to the present time, the intradermal tests shows a little over

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