



The Pathology of the Pneumonia in the United States, Army Camps During the Winter of 1917-18 (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from The Pathology of the Pneumonia in the United States, Army Camps During the Winter of 1917-18 It is difficult to decide, however, as to the identity of the pneumonia with what was described by contemporary writers in those long past epidemics, since they usually limited themselves to the mention of a few symptoms followed by a lengthy discussion of their treatment of the cases. Few performed autopsies or recorded descriptions that can be recognized. Nevertheless, their writings suggest that in many of the epidemics they must have been dealing with the same condition that has existed during the past winter. In the 16th century there were many epidemics throughout Italy, beginning in 1535 and sweeping over the whole peninsula. In Switzerland it was known as the malignant stitch, or Alpenstich, and by 1576 it had spread over Western Europe. The attack began with a chill, pain in the head and chest, and a cough which was at first dry but afterwards attended with expectoration. The patient became delirious or fell into a stupor; loose evacuations...



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