



Immunity in Infective Diseases

By Elie Metchnikoff

Createspace, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.A book from the father of Probiotics and Nobel Prize Winner in Medicine, Elie Metchnikoff. An excerpt from a review in The Saturday Review, [1907] The doctrine of phagocytosis which will always remain linked with the name of Metchnikoff, was the fruit of observations upon comparative biology. It is strange that detached researches upon the life-processes of minute marine organisms should revolutionise medicine, but the width of bearing to be allowed to scientific data is notoriously indefinable, as was well demonstrated by the case in point. At the time of Metchnikoff's great discovery microscopists had already established the anatomical facts of inflammation, such as the determination of blood to the menaced area, and the large accumulation there of the motile white cells of the blood. But not until Metchnikoff indicated the capacity of these cells to envelope and digest offending particles of foreign matter was the true significance of the inflammatory reaction brought to light. In the transparent larvae of star-fish he observed that the introduction of a thorn resulted in an accumulation of motile cells around...



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