



The President's Address Delivered Before the Association of American Physicians, at Its Eleventh Annual Meeting at Washington, D. C., April 30, 1896 (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, 2017. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from The President's Address Delivered Before the Association of American Physicians, at Its Eleventh Annual Meeting at Washington, D. C., April 30, 1896 The normal vital processes depend on two powers, the cells and the blood. The very structure and function of the former are acted upon or built up by the latter. Thus it appears as our master Virchow has lately pointed out, that finally we return to a species of humoral pathology, but not indeed to the crises and diatheses of old. For modern humoral pathology looks for the presence in the blood of actual agents mostly of chemical nature. Part of them has been shown to be so; in the case of others we have to rely on inferences. Still, with peptones, acetone, sugar, with acetic, lactic, oxalic, uric, and oxybutyric acids in the blood we are fairly acquainted; and the discovery of Fraenkel's thyreo-antitoxin proves to what extent the action of the organic juices is mainly, if not altogether chemical. The interests of the practitioner and his patients, of medical science and the...



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