

Small-pox Outbreak and Vaccination

The small-pox had lately made dreadful havoc at Trowbridge, principally among children. This melancholy circumstance may be fairly attributed to the prejudice too generally entertained against vaccination.

It is, however, an undeniable fact, and one that cannot be too strongly urged, that although vaccination does not in all cases prevent small-pox, yet it invariably abates the virulence of the latter disease, so as to render the patient free from danger.

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