



The Sewage Farms of Berlin (Classic Reprint) (Hardback)

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Forgotten Books, 2018. Hardback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from The Sewage Farms of Berlin At this crisis Berlin was fortunate in the possession of two great masters of sanitary science, Rudolph Virchow and James Hobrecht. Virchow s fame as the foremost pathologist of the century was even then world-wide. In the midst of scientific investigations imposing an almost incredible burden of work he found time to serve his country as legislator in Reichstag and Landtag, and his city in the humbler but no less useful capacity of councilman. His epoch-making report to the Berlin council in 1872 laid bare with un?inching hand the sanitary dangers of the city s condition and demonstrated the absolute necessity of action. Virchow was able to show, for instance, that in the three periods of five years each preceding his report the general mortality of the city had advanced in the ratio of 5, 7 and 9. Nothing in existing conditions warranted the belief that the coming lustrum would not show a death-rate at least twice as great as that of the first period of five years. Indeed, the mortality of children had more...



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