

religio-medico-hysterico-mystical science of Mrs. Eddy, to that extent must he cease to be a guide in religion, philosophy, or medicine. Mrs. Eddy's knowledge of medicine was of the most limited character possible. Her knowledge of philosophy was confined to a very crude acquaintanceship with Bishop Berkeley, through the writings of P. P. Guimby, which she was too dishonest to admit. Her knowledge of Scripture and religion is most perverted and unbalanced, and commercialized to a most painful degree. No one can read Mrs. Eddy's writings without coming to the conclusion that she placed herself on a level with Christ, and that she was divinely inspired—no tongue or pen ever taught me and no tongue or pen can destroy it.

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2. Already we have stated that some M.D.'s have adopted improper methods of practice. Some have taken to osteopathy, or chiropractic, or Christian Science. This only proves that they exercised their right of choice; but it does not prove that they were well advised in their choice. That a certain doctor becomes an abortionist does not prove that this sort of practice is right. He adopted such practice for the money that was in it; and tossed ethics to the four winds.

3. On such accepted beliefs as that God can heal any disease and raise the dead, we have no comment to make. We do say, however, that this power was not given to Mrs. Eddy, with her ignorant and blasphemous travesty on religion, where everything became with her, "How much can I make out of it". She copyrighted her books. She sold spoons. She charged an inordinate fee for her lectures that were supposed to give to the public the wonders of this revelation. How beautifully commercial all this was! Christian Scientists are continually proclaiming the cures that are effected by them. The medical profession knows that there are cases of hysterical paralysis and blindness that may quite suddenly recover; there are cases of nervous loss of sensation that at any moment may become normal; there are many tumors that are not cancer, or sarcoma, or tubercular, and that in due time may grow less or entirely disappear. To a Christian Scientist who knows nothing of medical science, this might seem to be the direct result of his mental treatment, stimulated, of course, by a fee.

4. In this paragraph of the letter is put forth the absolutely untenable statement that Mrs. Eddy made the discovery of the "law of divine mind". Mrs. Eddy discovered nothing that is not a thousand times better stated in the New Testament. Anything that there is in Mrs. Eddy's system that has any value at all is what arises through suggestion. This she stole from Quimby, and boldly denied that she did so. But to lie was quite a common practice with Mrs. Eddy. She lied about her motives, she lied about her cures, she lied about how she got her so-