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### HOMŒOPATHIC COLLEGES.

Homœopathy has made great progress in the United States during the past fifty years. The pioneers of the system were forced to accept their medical education from allopathic colleges and continue the study of homœopathic therapeutics independently. Progressive men soon saw the necessity of establishing colleges to teach Homœopathy. Soon every branch of medicine was added and thoroughly taught. In those early days men were graduated from all medical colleges after a two-years' course. Homœopaths were the first to extend the course to three years and again to four years of study. There are now twenty colleges in the United States—all under Government control, and subject to strict laws of the various States. The colleges are equipped with the latest facilities for instruction in all branches of medicine and disease. Clinical privileges are unexcelled. In New York the college has property to the value of \$500,000, with a medical and surgical hospital adjoining. The Hahnemann College, of Philadelphia, is splendidly equipped with a large hospital,

and every opportunity for students to gain needed knowledge for active private practice. This institution is heavily endowed, and is in a flourishing condition.

The Chicago Homœopathic is one of the largest of the western colleges, and has a new college and hospital building. Its students have free access to the great Cook County Hospital, under joint homœopathic and allopathic control.

These colleges all require a high standing for matriculation, and will not graduate students under four years' study. Strict and severe examinations are exacted. The slurring remarks often heard regarding American homœopathic colleges are made only by the ignorant and misinformed. If the critics would investigate before they condemn, they would tell a different story.

The refusal of the allopaths to properly teach the principles of homœopathy in the Canadian colleges will eventually cause the establishment of homœopathic colleges in this country. The system has found popular favor with the people and will continue to win laurels of praise. Numerous inquiries are being received regarding homœopathy. Old school physicians are even daring to investigate quietly, and the time will come when many of them will openly espouse the cause of *similia similibus curantur*.

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