

So it was brought in "unrecommended," and as the bill *could not recommend itself* either to the intelligence or common sense of the Legislature, a motion to "report progress" was carried — a sort of euthanasia humanely applied to all obnoxious measures submitted to this august body.

This motion however was strongly opposed by the promoters of the measure who, while abandoning all hope of legislating the *mythical* science of Osteopathy into a legal status, hoped however to introduce an amendment to, or to *define* the meaning of the medical act so that it should not apply to "Osteopathy" and other forms of quackery, such as christian science, faith healing, etc.

Quackery is daily becoming more aggressive, and unless the medical profession organize and combine in such a way as to become and make itself felt as an important political influence, the time cannot be far distant when all legal restrictions for the protection of the public will be annulled, and all medical acts removed from statute books of our province.

That the bill referred to did not pass was entirely due to the *extraordinary* interest taken in opposition by the profession in St. John and other parts of the province.

It might also be said, and it was a subject of general remark, that the clear, concise, fair, and reasonable presentation of the medical side of the question by Drs. Thos. Walker, G. E. Coulthard and G. T. Smith of the N. B. Med. Council, largely contributed to the defeat of the bill before the Law Committee.

It is only fair to state, however, that the promotion of this bill in favor of quackery, as far as the executive was concerned, was confined to but three members.

The medical profession appreciates very highly the friendship and aid of the Hon. Provincial Secretary L. B. Tweedie.

This gentleman opposed the bill at every stage, and when it was brought before the house his speech was far from complimentary to his colleagues, and more in the nature of a severe rebuke to the gentlemen who were willing to become, as it were, sponsors for such a "*deformed, unfinished, sent before its time*" object, such as this latest born of ignorance and credulity appeared to be.

G. W. Fowler, the junior member for Kings Co., did his constituency and himself great credit by the interest he took in behalf of maintaining and as far as possible increasing the present high standard of medical