

Teach me not as some ungracious parsons do,  
 The steep and thorny way to Heaven;  
 While, like a puffed and reckless libertine,  
 Himself the primrose path of dalliance treads.

But regardless of these high priests of medical ethics, the Ontario Medical Association will live on and do good work. We only condemn the narrow, but are ready to praise the broad.

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#### THE ROCKEFELLER GIFT.

It is with pleasure we refer to the splendid gift of Mr. John D. Rockefeller to aid medical education. The princely gift of \$100,000,000 has been made by him for this purpose. Of this large sum \$5,000,000 will be apportioned among the Canadian medical colleges in aid of original research and investigation. This will no doubt have the effect of inducing others to give. When one realizes the full meaning and far-reaching influence of such a gift, it staggers one to think that even yet there are some members of the medical profession who cry out against vaccination and protective inoculation against disease.

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#### CRITICISM! WHY STOP THERE?

We give in another portion of this issue a short paper on this subject by Dr. E. A. Hall, of Victoria, B.C. It should be read carefully. We do not agree with all that is therein stated; but there are essential truths in it.

One of these essential truths is that the medical profession must not suppose that it has attained finality. It is one of the most hopeful conditions of the present that never in the history of the world was the spirit of research so active. The most active and highly trained minds in the world are keenly bent upon forcing nature to yield up her secrets, and demanding from disease an answer to the questions, "whence camest thou, and what will cause thee to depart?" Within the memory of all who are only one-quarter of a century in the practice of medicine many and wonderful answers have been given to both these questions.

But there is still much to learn, and for this reason we should walk with a humble frame of mind, and have our eyes and our ears open for the reception of any truth. With this portion of Dr. Hall's article we are in the fullest accord. Here, however, we must ask the question from what sources have our knowledge and advances come? The answer is that in almost every instance from patient, long and painstaking study