

tian Science are the faith cures which we all know so well. They are exclusively in the realm of functional disorders. I have not met with any case of organic disease permanently cured. I know of reputed cures of locomotor ataxia; two of these patients still take opium for the lightning pains.

4. And, lastly, there has arisen in the United States a form of faith healing known as the "Emmanuel Church Movement," which originated in Boston with the Rev. Dr. Worcester, an able and distinguished clergyman of the Episcopal Church, who had had a good training in psychology under Fechner at Leipzig. Curiously, the idea arose out of the success which had attended the organization among the members of his church of classes for the home treatment of tuberculosis by my friend and former pupil, Dr. J. H. Pratt. It was suggested that the Church might undertake the treatment of nervous troubles by mental and spiritual agencies. As the Rev. Lyman Powell says: "The only magic known in the Emmanuel movement is the magic of a mind surcharged with faith, and operative within bounds set by the scientific doctor." Here, again, the success will depend in the individual character of the man conducting the movement. The class organization, the association with church services, and the confidence inspired by the co-operation of pastor and doctor have been favoring features. Only in existence for a few years, it is impossible to say what the future has in store, but it is an honest attempt to bring back that angelical conjunction, as Cotton Mather calls it, of physic with divinity.

Briefly stated, this is the status of the faith problem in medicine to-day. Others will analyze its workings, the relation to suggestion, to the subconscious self, etc. Not a psychologist but an ordinary clinical physician concerned in making strong the weak in mind and body, the whole subject is of intense interest to me. I feel that our attitude as a profession should not be hostile, and we must scan gently our brother man and sister woman who may be carried away in the winds of new doctrine. A group of active, earnest, capable young men are at work on the problem, which is of their generation and for them to solve. The angel of Bethesda is at the pool—it behooves us to jump in!—*British Medical Journal*.