

DENTAL EDUCATION.

The word "Educate" meant primarily "to bring up a child". The noun "Education" means, the act or process of educating. Another definition might be given, viz:- "The result of educating in knowledge, skill or discipline of character acquired". A further definition might be given in these words. The act or process of "training, by a prescribed course of study or discipline"; and in this sense we use the phrase "educated for the bar", "educated for the pulpit", "educated for medicine".

If you will think of your etymology, you will see at once that education means strictly to "draw or lead forth or out".

It is not so much the communication of knowledge as the discipline of the intellect, the establishment of the principles, and the regulation, of the heart.

It is well, perhaps, to keep some of these definitions in mind, lest the common conception of education, viz:- "an accumulation of facts more or less isolated", may drive the true idea of education out of our minds.

Some years ago a dental student in British Columbia asked the court of that Province to issue a mandamus, to compel the Dental Board of the Province to grant him a licence to practice Dentistry. Certain well-known Canadian dentists gave evidence in the case. The student failed in his effort to get the court to issue any such order. It transpired afterwards