

likely to accrue from a more stringent performance of duty by the Committee on Education, if the practically irresponsible triarchy known as the Executive Committee is suffered to remain a back-door of entrance, through which the schools—who hold its key—can shovel into the profession, *ad libitum*, material not of a quality to bear inspection by any member of the Council outside the Solid Phalanx? And how can we expect the Government or the Legislature to respect the Council's curriculum, when it can be abundantly shown that the Council does not insist upon its being respected by its own committees? And why should we call the Ontario Government hard names and express indignant surprise at its lowering our matriculation requirements at the instance of the schools, and yet be ready to condone the faithlessness of those, whom we ourselves have elected and sent to the Council, to guard the portals of the profession and to see that the established curriculum requirements shall be honestly and rigidly and universally insisted on? And why any longer live in a "Fool's Paradise" by accepting as real, and innocently boasting of, a curriculum, whose chief merit is that it reads well on paper, and whose principal defect is that, through our own culpable supineness, it has never, at all events as far as its matriculation standards are concerned, been faithfully and honorably applied, without fear or favor to all alike, so as to stem, in any perceptible degree, the demoralizing drift into the profession?

The anomalous actions and unwarrantable assumptions of the Executive Committee call for and shall presently receive further review. I am, however, satisfied at present to rest my contention that the interests of the profession are not safe in its hands on the proofs herein adduced that the schools hold the strings that control its movements. To recapitulate: I have shown with regard to this committee that:

1. The law says it shall consist of five members.
2. The "Solid Phalanx" overrides the law and says it shall consist of only three members.
3. Of the three members, two, the schoolman and the homœopath, neither owe nor profess to owe any allegiance to the medical electorate.
4. Consequently the profession would have no adequate control over its actions even were the third man leal to its interests.
5. In point of fact no territorial representative even suspected of being troubled with any special sense of loyalty to his constituents can attain to membership in this committee in its present shape.
6. Consequently the profession has, in practice, no control over it at all.