

therefore, there is no excuse for the act. There were many wounded in it at the time. The glorious thing about it all is that not a single nurse neglected her duty nor deserted her post during the bombing, which lasted for some hours. All honor to such women!

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#### THE IRREGULARS.

Already the newspapers are full of letters from osteopaths, chiropractors and Christian Scientists, setting forth their views, and trying to show why they should be granted the right to go on practising the healing art. All this shows that they purpose putting up a strenuous fight when the Medical Act comes up for consideration. We have shown time and again that none of these are entitled to any legal status. Christian Science repudiates all disease as mere myths, the chiropractor declares that all disease is caused by some displacement of the spine, and the osteopath contends for the theory of a displacement, but not just always of the spine. Wonderful all this!

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#### THE DUTY OF THE PROFESSION.

The plain duty of the medical profession is to educate the people. It must not be assumed that the people know what is genuine and what is spurious in medicine. There is so much in the science of medicine that calls for long training and arduous study to comprehend that the people may be readily led astray by the pretensions of the false prophets. The only source of true information is the regular medical profession, and, as it has a great mission ahead of it, and a glorious record behind it, there is no reason why it should not speak out now. Let the people know the truth. In the healing of disease these irregular cults are dangerous frauds.

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#### THE PLACE OF MANIPULATION.

That there is a place for manipulation the medical profession does not deny. Under some name, it has been practised in different forms and under different names in the bygone centuries. But it is not a system of medicine. It is only one phase of therapeutics in general. It can put forth no claims whatever to be granted legal standing as a distinctive system of healing. Even the much broader treatment by physical means, including rubbing, electricity, baths, graded exercises, etc., would not constitute a system of treatment. These agencies are used by the medical profession and must be placed solely under it. This is the view of the medical commissioner.