

was refused by the Provincial Secretary. The course is twelve months, either continuously or two years of six months' each, with no entrance examination or standard. Anatomy is treated as a literary course, and is chiefly devoted to the bony portion of man which comes into direct relation with the passage of important nerves. The staff consists of Ernst DuVal, his wife and son, and Dr. Patterson, a practicing chiropractor, is an honorary member. Three and a half hours in the morning are devoted to lectures, recitations and quiz work, and one and a half hours to clinical instructions on patients who pay \$1 per month.

One of the difficulties in dealing with chiropractic is its exclusive and unusual quality. In the address made before me by Dr. E. DuVal, who conducts the Canadian Chiropractic College in Hamilton, he says:

Chiropractic is a unique science. It has nothing in common with any other method, class, school or cult, neither in its science, philosophy, art, doctrine or principle upon which it is based.

It is essentially natural and self-sufficient in its own sphere.

Chiropractic does not claim to treat, cure or heal anything or anybody of ailments or diseases.

The chiropractor does not concern himself with . . . the consideration of effects: the all-important thing for him is to locate and remove the cause, regardless of the effect.

His definition of chiropractic is in effect that physical interference with the carrying capacity of the nerves is the predisposing cause of disease, and, when the interference is sufficiently severe, the disease itself: that these interferences most often take place in the spinal column; that the locating and removal of these pressures is the removal of the cause of disease, the essential work of the chiropractor; that his highly cultivated sense of touch enables him to appreciate the interferences by palpation, i. e., the act of feeling with the fingers the relations of the vertebrae with each other: that he readjusts the bones and relieves pressure, restoring the harmony between the brain and the tissues and organs of the body.

Dr. DuVal adds:

Fake chiropractors have been produced in large numbers by bogus schools, which for a mere song and in a few weeks' time, even by correspondence, succeed in exploiting the public at the expense and to the detriment of the noblest science ever presented to the world. And owing to this, and in self-defense, genuine schools have been compelled to maintain a minimum course at a minimum cost to sustain themselves in the field of action and to protect the science.

Moreover we place some of the blame on the authorities of both the United States and Canada, who, through the instigation of the older professions, which hold a monopoly of administering to the sick, did not investigate the science of chiropractic sooner and afford it the proper protection to keep it pure and unadulterated, and defend it at least against its intrinsic enemies, the grafters.

As to the curriculum of this college, Dr. DuVal says:

The curriculum of the Canadian Chiropractic College consists of a reliable course in anatomy, sufficiently extensive to enable its graduates to compare favorably with the practitioners of other professions, except those engaged in the actual teaching of this science; a substantial knowledge of practical and established physiology, refraining from entering into the unknown and speculative, which forms the greatest portion of the books; a practical knowledge of symptomatology and diagnosis; rudiments of obstetrics; elementary embryology; the science of chiropractic; the philosophy of chiropractic; the art of chiropractic, which consists of analysis, palpation, adjusting and nerve-tracing, studies that are characteristic of chiropractic differing from all else of the name; a course of two daily lectures and other incidental lectures on chiropractic philosophy and kindred subjects, philosophy being interpreted in both its literal and modern acceptation; the first being the "love of truth and wisdom," and the second "a course of reasoning and argumentation" based on facts relating to the science of chiropractic and natural law.