

Unfortunately, the Roddick Bill embodying the principle of Dominion registration did not carry. The efforts of Dr. Roddick in this behalf have made his name a household word in the profession. Let us hope that ere long the Act will be in force, so that the credential thus obtained will be a passport to all the Provinces of this great Dominion.

As in the cross-section of some mighty tree Nature has writ indelibly in annular rings the history of its early growth, be it of two or three thousand years, so that one can read as on an open page the infallible record reaching back through cycles of years—in the same way we can trace the growth of a tiny seedling in the dim past to the great growing tree of medical knowledge of our own day, whose leaves are indeed for the healing of the nations. What matters it if it be not yet quite symmetrical, and show signs of vigorous growth at some past epoch and of a dormant state at others? If we can see scars which show that the hand of the faithful pruner at this stage or that in its growth did not spare the tree but showed a purpose in the pruning, sap and vitality thus seemingly lost only giving strength and better fruitage to the other portions—if we can see that from time to time, and much of late, branches of other sort grafted into the essence of its life, it is even now a thing of beauty which will not only live and grow, but be a joy for ever.

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