

lation in some form. What is good in Christian Science is only there because of the principle of suggestion.

It has long been known that suggestion is a powerful agent for weal or woe; but it should be employed sanely and honestly, and not jumbled in with a crude and ignorant form of religious faith. When suggestion is made use of it should be by the doctor and nurse in charge of the patient. In no case should suggestion be used to create false hopes, and lead the patient to believe that there is a merit in some mystery. This is nothing short of callous deception.

Now, all these things are parts of therapeutics as a whole. No one of them should set up shop for itself as an independent system. Anything that is good in any one of them belongs to treatment as a whole. Thus it will be seen that there is no foundation left on which osteopathy, chiropractic, of Christian Science may stand. As healing systems they are very minor portions of general therapeutics. In like manner drugs are only a part of the whole.

A WARNING,

The medical profession is at war in more ways than one. It is doing its share well in the great European struggle. Many have gone from comfortable homes to the battlefront, and many have given up lucrative practices for the very much reduced remuneration of an army doctor or surgeon. All this is noble and should, and we feel shall, receive due consideration at the proper time.

Then the medical profession is at war with disease. It is engaged upon the splendid task of discovering ways and means of preventing disease. If one will only consider for a moment what has been done along this line. The sickness and death rates from tuberculosis, typhoid fever, ague, yellow fever, hydrophobia and many other infectious diseases is steadily declining. At the present moment medical men are leading in the war against venereal diseases, and in the campaign for better care of the weak-minded.

But there is another and great war in which the medical profession, especially in Ontario, is engaged, namely, the war against that variety of parasite that would practise under some narrow dogma, or according to some exploded theory of disease. At the present moment Ontario is infested by such parasites under various names. Guided by an erroneous theory regarding disease they enunciate a still more erroneous theory regarding treatment. Such a condition should be stamped out with the same remorselessness that we drain a malaria-producing swamp, or order that a polluted well be closed up to stay the spread of typhoid fever.