

der the German theory of Kultur! But Edith Louise Cavell is immortal. Her name stands with such great names as Mary and Martha, the friends of Jesus, with Boadicea and Joan of Arc, the friends of their country, and with Florence Nightingale and Clara Barton, the friends of humanity. As time rolls on her name will become ever brighter and shed its radiance on the paths of duty; whereas the name of Bissing will pass into outer darkness and be classed with those of Nero and Attila, the true prototype of the modern Hun. During life she fulfilled the ideal laid down by Charles Kinksley:

Be good, sweet maid, and let who will be clever;
Do noble things, not dream them, all day long;
And so make life, death, and that vast forever,
One grand, sweet song.

ARE YOU DOING YOUR BIT?

We have on many occasions called the attention of the members of the medical profession to the likelihood of some important medical legislation being enacted at an early date. Have you given this matter your serious consideration? Do not assume that some one else is looking after your interests and the people's interests, but rather assume that you must do this yourself. Do not leave everything to the last moment, to find that the train has pulled out and left you behind. Every group of medical men, every county, town and city medical society should be assembled and get to work. Your case is perfect, and has no weak points. You are not seeking to build a fence around the medical profession for its advantage; but you are trying to keep up the fence that already exists around the people for their own protection.

Your case is that all who desire to treat the sick, by whatever name they call themselves, shall first be properly educated for that task. "The proper study of mankind is man." The "healer" must be an anatomist, a physiologist, a chemist, a bacteriologist, a pathologist, a surgeon, a physician, and an obstetrician, before he is permitted to direct the treatment of the many ailments of mind or body. The osteopaths, chiropractors, optometrists and Christian scientists are seeking special privileges, which they ought not to obtain. If they wish to treat disease, let them, like honest persons, take a course in medicine. To these cults the medical profession stands in the position set forth in these words from Shakespeare:

Thrice is he armed who hath his quarrel just;
And he but naked, though locked up in steel,
Whose conscience with injustice is corrupted.

If we do not succeed with a cause so just, then it will be because you, and you, and you, did not do your duty.