

thereby that nobody else shall ever share in. It is undertaken for the sole purpose of the advancement of science, of alleviating distress, of lessening pain, of prolonging life, and where life cannot be prolonged past a certain point, of alleviating suffering which otherwise would be unbearable.

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## THE EDUCATED PHYSICIAN VERSUS THE IGNORANT MANIPULATOR.

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YOUR HONOR,—I desire to impress three very definite facts in regard to this subject, as follows:—

(1) The necessity of a full medical course for those who intend to practise medicine in any form and to be known as “doctors” by the community.

The study of the diseases of mankind has become enormously increased in the last twenty years, and the amount of knowledge collected from all over the world is becoming very vast indeed.

Originally there were only practitioners who practised all forms of the art of healing, but soon there arose the specialists in surgery, in eye and ear, nose and throat, obstetrics and gynecology.

To-day, in all the great centres, a new class of men have arisen, the medical specialists who practise alone the subjects of tuberculosis, or diseases of the lungs, or of the heart, or of the skin, or of the digestive tract, or of the kidney, or of nervous diseases.

Two causes have produced these divisions of medical work, namely, on the one hand, the public demand the most recent methods in the diagnosis and treatment of their diseases, or they will go abroad to find them; and, on the other hand, the volume of knowledge in each of these departments is so great that no man living could manage to acquire proficiency in all. In fact, it is well nigh impossible to remain up-to-date in any one single branch.

Now the point I desire to illustrate from this argument is this, namely, that a four or five year course in medical education produces a man who, compared with the medical and sur-