

as theosophists. It is contrary to all experience and reason. So long as they busy themselves with religion, we can well afford to leave them to the church, but when they undertake to tamper with the lives of people, then it is time for the medical profession to speak out. This matter will be up in a very pronounced form ere long when the Commission on Medical Practice begins to hold its sessions.

In the London Bailey Court a short time ago, a father was tried before Judge Rowlatt on the charge of manslaughter for criminal negligence, because he did not call in a doctor to his daughter, who died of diphtheria. The judge said to the jury that the evidence had failed to show that the father was aware that there was real danger to the life of his child, and for this reason they could not find him guilty. But the judge went on to say:

“But we are not trying him for being a Scientist. We are trying him for neglect and will not admit the excuse that he is a Scientist. If this man were convicted for not calling a doctor, if he had reason to believe that the child had diphtheria or anything like diphtheria, we should punish him severely, Christian Science or not. We want to be quite certain of our ground before coming to a conclusion of this sort, however, much as we may think that he was a stupid donkey for not having more sense about the matter. But it is not for stupidity that we convict him in the criminal court.”

Dismissing Jewell, the judge urged him to be careful in the future. “There are a great many things that you do not understand that the doctors do.”

The judge's advice to Jewell is applicable to all Scientists. They are living in a fool's castle, so far as medicine is concerned.

HOSPITALS AND PATIENTS.

The public and the medical profession of Toronto were quite surprised a short time ago by seeing in the daily papers that the Police Commissioners had issued an order that all persons suffering from an injury or in an emergent condition, and removed in the police ambulance, must be transported to the General Hospital. This at once called for a protest from the medical profession and the other hospitals.

A meeting was called and a committee consisting of Dr. E. E. King, from St. Michael's Hospital; Dr. B. L. Riordon, from Grace Hospital; Dr. Jorn Ferguson, from the Western Hospital, and Dr. J. E. Elliott, from the members of the profession not attached to hospitals. This committee was instructed to wait upon Mayor Hocken, and urge that the old rule should be restored, namely, that the patient, his friends,