

clothing, etc., is of no serious importance to your child." "The less we know or think about Hygiene, the less we are predisposed to sickness." "Treatises on anatomy, physiology and health sustained by what is termed material law, are the promoters of sickness and disease. It is proverbial that as long as you read medical works you will be sick." "Not because of muscular exercise, but because of the blacksmith's faith in muscle, his arm becomes stronger." "The blood, heart, lungs, brain, etc., have nothing to do with life." "Gender is also a quality, a characteristic of mind and not of matter." "Man is the same after, as before, a bone is broken or a head chopped off." "That life is sustained by food, drink, air, etc., that it is organic or in the least dependent upon matter or sustained by it, is a myth." "The daily ablutions of a baby are no more natural or necessary than would be the process of taking a fish out of the water every day and covering it with dirt, in order to make it thrive more vigorously in its native element." Mark Twain said of this sort of stuff that it provoked God to laughter and thereby it escaped destruction.

That Christian Science is a sham on religion we propose to leave with the religious bodies. They may expose it in any way they think best. One thing we may say, however, instead of the system being a revelation from God, it is a modification of what eccentric Dr. Quimby taught. We shall say only a few things about her healing. In the New York Sun for 16th December, 1898, Mrs. Eddy published this letter: "I challenge the world to disprove what I hereby declare. After my discovery of Christian Science, I healed consumption in its last stages, that the M.D.'s, by verdict of the stethoscope and the schools, declared incurable, the lungs being mostly consumed. I healed malignant tubercular diphtheria and carious bones that could be dented with the fingers, saving them when the surgeon's instruments were lying on the table ready for their amputation. I have healed at one visit a cancer that had so eaten the flesh of the neck as to expose the jugular vein so that it stood out like a cord." But Mr. Fielding states in his letter, Christian Scientists do not claim to work miracles." Mrs. Eddy's letter could come under no other meaning than that of supernatural power and the working of miracles. In the New York Sun of 1st January, 1899, Dr. Charles A. L. Redd, of Cincinnati, published a challenge to Mrs. Eddy to the effect that he would furnish her with cases like those she claimed to have cured; and that if she could cure them, he would bend his knee to her. But silence was the only reply. Take a concrete case. Mrs. Mary Ann Baker, the widow of Mrs. Eddy's brother, died in Boston in 1902, after many years' suffering of cancer of the heart. Here was a near and dear friend who died of that very disease that Mrs. Eddy had said