

his city, is able to locate in a few moments any difficulty which may exist along the system.

"In another moment his deft fingers have removed the trouble and the system is again working normally. In a little while nature will assert itself, pain will disappear, health return.

"This, dear reader, is a plain and homely definition of chiropractic. A definition devoid of all technical terms, in the hope that all who read may grasp the true sense and meaning of this wonderful science of healing and prevention of disease."

This seems most remarkably simple, but the pity of it all is that it is not true. In no sense can the treatment given by D. D. Palmer to Lillard, the nigger, be called the discovery of a new science. It only proves that either the negro was deceived or that Palmer did not tell the truth. The negro might really have been under some false impression or suggestion about his deafness or the extent of his improvement. Dr. Tweedie, the eminent eye specialist, tells of a young woman who had poor eyesight, and went to a faith healer. She declared she had derived great benefit. But Dr. Tweedie found the vision the same as before the faith healer's treatment. She really thought she had been improved, whereas she had not.

No man, however trained, can locate the trouble in the nervous system with the ease set forth in the foregoing quotation. Many nervous lesions are most obscure and difficult of diagnosis even to the most experienced. It is still further from the truth to say that "in another moment his deft fingers have removed the trouble." How pitiable a statement like this appears when one mentions a disease like progressive bulbar paralysis, or optic atrophy. Once more we must protest against such statements as "that all diseases of the body, excepting wounds, are directly due to some impairment of the nervous system." This is absolutely untrue, and people holding such views should not be permitted to practise, nor should colleges be allowed to teach such doctrines on the ground that they are inimical to the public weal.

#### THE INDIANA SCHOOL OF CHIROPRACTIC.

Accompanying the announcement of the Indiana School of Chiropractic, of Anderson, Ind., there is a circular from which we quote the following: "Chiropractic is a scientific method of adjusting the cause of disease without drugs or instruments. It is based upon correct knowledge of anatomy, especially the nervous system. Chiropractic proves that 95 per cent. of all disease is caused by subluxated (slightly displaced) vertebrae in the spinal column. The displaced vertebrae 'pinch' the spinal nerve as it passes from the spinal column, thus hindering the