What Shaw Did to Give Forbes &\n& A “National Reputation”

HOW many operations have been made by Dr. W. Forbes for reducing congenital hip dislocations? How many have been successful? How many have been failures? Dr. Forbes will tell you, with no hesitation.

Neither will Colonel Shaw.

The editor believes these questions are timely, and that the best interests of our profession, and of professional honor in general, will be served by careful, candid inquiry into these facts.

Certain broad and impossible claims have been made and advertised regarding the skill and success of Dr. Forbes by his business manager, Col. A. B. Shaw, which the profession is now finding out to have been based in part, at least, upon buncombe and knowing, willful, shameless misrep­resentation. Laboring under the misapprehension which such a studious campaign of boosting has engendered, our osteopathic students and practitioners in large numbers have unwittingly become the agents of Shaw’s designs and have not only accepted as truth whatever Shaw has circulated but have joined loudly in proclaiming Dr. Forbes as “the second Lorenz,” as “the osteopathic Lorenz,” and not even hesitating to claim that he has “advanced upon and improved the work of Dr. Lorenz,” and is fast getting recognized as the greater operator of the two!

Dr. Lorenz’s reputation rests upon more than a thousand of these operations that he himself has conducted, perhaps not one-third of which are claimed to have been successful. Up to this date, evidence has been hard to get to indicate that Dr. Forbes has experimented with as many as a dozen such cases, while the claim has been widely published for him that he cures 100 per cent. of his patients!

These statements, each and all, the editor has seen in print. At the time, when they first began to appear, and for some time afterwards, he dared hope they were true. They were usually made at a time when a fresh case of congenital hip dislocation had just been operated upon by Dr. Forbes—and it is needless to say, those students and practitioners who witnessed the operation generally seem to have accepted the operation as de facto proof that the case was cured. Further attention seems to have been paid to the patient to see what the ultimate results were to be.

Schoolman’s Reputation Boomed

With rapidly growing reputation at his own college for thus “out-doing Lorenz,” it was easy and natural for Colonel Shaw to bring it about that various state osteopathic societies began to find a place for these Forbes operations upon their programs. Such operations, I believe, were witnessed by four state societies in Ohio, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa, and probably other states. The “Forbes hip cases” in 1904 and 1905 had become the chief attraction on some of their state osteopathic programs.

Denver Operation a Failure

The same Shaw propaganda carried this feature into the last program of the American Osteopathic Association meeting in Denver last August. At that place end time Dr. Forbes conducted an operation upon a little girl, under conditions that were most favorable for adjusting the hip by the operator, but audaciously, if not criminally, risky for the life of the patient and the reputation of the science and profession in whose name the operation was conducted. The newspapers of Denver gave the usual publicity to the operation and, as usual—as seems to be unavoidable when a pyrotechnical operation of that kind is conducted—made the broadest and strongest sort of claims for the success of the operation. Reporting of cases and of claims for success is a part of practice. What is now at issue is in terms of growing success and giving the public to believe that the little patient would promptly get well of her injury.

That case, which was intended to be the climax of the Colonel-Shaw advertising campaign to give Dr. Forbes “a national reputation,” proves now to have been an absolute failure.

We present the profession a skigram of this hip in full proof of this failure.

Dr. W. Bank & Meacham of Asheville, N. C.

"The O. P.’s" Protest Proven to Be Just

When “The O. P.’s” reported the Denver meeting for the profession it will be remembered that the editor criticized this part of the program, and said it was a "dupedope" proposition, calculated to take unjustifiable liberties and risk with the good name of Osteopathy and the life of the child in question for the sake of mere personal glory for the operator; that there were not facts enough in hand as yet respecting such work done, either by Dr. Forbes or by others in our profession in these congenital hip cases, to warrant obtruding this operation as an osteopathic feature into the program of the national society; further, the editor pointed out that there was no assurance that this case had been cured or benefited in the least by this big band­stand play and that the profession might yet have to face criticism for its presentation. This article used these words:

From the August, 1905, Issue

Then there is the possibility of a later reck­oning that we may yet have to make for this case. What if after six months it should prove one of those “unfortunate cases” and the hip should not be found to have been set at all? That certainly is within the bounds of possibility. How would that make the osteo­pathic profession look after its alleged boast of doing Lorenz work better than Lorenz himself? All these things ought to be taken into account in getting up national programs and the osteopathic profession, which has much to say in criticism of “pyrotechnical operators” ought to be the last to bait the same hook.

The Editor’s Position Vindicated

Some of Dr. Forbes’ friends and admirers in the field, like the editor, have been the friends of the editor, criticized this article as an injustice to Dr. Forbes, as “totally uncalled for,” and some even showed that they thought such criticism was "inspired by those who were jealous of Dr. Forbes’ reputation.”

“Success in setting and curing seventeen con­genital hip cases by Dr. Forbes” was the caption of the advertisement, which is Dr. Forbes’ record,” wrote one brother, “ought to protect him against criticism of this sort.” Another wrote: “Forbes’ record of curing 47 cases of congenital hip dislocation—which which is Dr. Forbes’ record.”

We have waited patiently for months for the outcome of this Denver operation for the vindication of “The O. P.‘s” position, and have said to all our friends that the real test of the reputation of the Osteopathic Physician for editorial wisdom upon whether this case was a cure or a failure. Just the other day the verdict was handed in by Dr. C. C. Reid, of Denver, whose patient was the subject of the operation, which we present herewith in full:

Dr. Reid Gives the Facts

Denver, Col. Dec. 9, 1905.

Dr. H. S. Bunting.

Dear Doctor: Your letter at hand and noted. On account of our work we have delayed answering a few days. In regard to the hip case, I have nothing to hide, nor anyone to shield from anything. I believe in every one standing on a solid base and that what is done is always thought Dr. Forbes stood on.

The hip case operated upon by Dr. Forbes before the A. O. A. convention in August was a failure, or the next day. After it was set, the limb measured an inch short. We thought then that perhaps the difference in size of the limbs might account for that. About six weeks ago I had a radiograph made of it, which showed the head of the femur clearly out of the acetabulum. The cast was cut off and had another radiograph made, which showed more plainly the head of the femur about an inch and a half above the acetabulum.

Dr. Forbes has not asked me to keep any secrets in regard to this case. I would not feel right to do it, because it was a case pre-eminently for the profession and of course the profession should know whether or not it was a success.

While this case was not a recommendation for Dr. Forbes’ work, yet he is not to be entirely disposed of on account of one case. If his many cases, reported from Des Moines as successes, were failures, they, too, are good grounds for criticizing his course. It is a fact that Dr. Forbes has not been able to set someone more than once; so a second time may prove successful in this case. Under the circumstances I feel Dr. Forbes another chance at the same case.

I am a complete osteopathic physician over two months ago and sent it to Dr. Evans for the A. O. A. Journal, as I thought the profession was interested to know that he did not publish it, although he wrote me he would. I understand that Dr. Evans will have the case radiographed. If the hips and cure them and there should be certain improvement, there will be more work for us. If Dr. Forbes hasn’t solved the problem, we needn’t sleep day and night. Anyway we should have a number doing the work very truly yours.

C. C. REID.
How Many Cases Shall Establish a Reputation?

Dr. Reid raises the question whether Dr. Forbes' reputation as a curer of congenital hip dislocations should be settled on one case, or one attempt at one case. We say, by all means "no." Let the record of every case show forth. Give us patient, conscientious, unbiased investigation of every case upon which Dr. Forbes has operated. Let him be judged by his net results in the sum total of all these operations he has conducted. Do not settle a man's "national reputation" on one case—or six—not even if the said reputation should be found to have been built and bolstered up upon such an unsubstantial foundation. Let the whole truth be shown; and pray, rather, that Dr. Forbes can be credited with some excellent work, rather than the one such Osteopath in the whole profession he is alleged you have operated upon, the name, place, date and outcome so far as reported, and when the last report of the case was obtained.

Dr. Forbes is sincere in the profession, and your friend's confidence, no more than those who are not your champions. I want to get all the data possible on this subject, and I have been so informed by well known physicians, and your friends who have been alleged to complete vindication. If you act not, I will print them just the same, and give the profession the right to judge in the matter. I would like to have you furnish me a complete record of all these hip operations, giving the name, place, date and outcome as far as reported, and when the last report of the case was obtained.

I trust that you will do this promptly and let me know at once about it.

Fraternally,
HENRY S. BUNTING,
Editor.

Two months after, when that appeal had brought no response, the editor sent this second letter, which also has not been answered to date:

**Forbes' Silence tantamount to Refusal**

December 1, 1905.
Dr. Harry W. Forbes, Los Angeles, Cal.

My Dear Dr. Forbes: Just two months ago—in October 31, 1905—I wrote you an urgent letter, asking for detailed data as to the number of hip cases you have operated upon, the names and addresses of the patients, the dates and results, as far as you are able to supply this information.

I explained to you quite fully that report has come to me on good authority that you have not done as much, or as good work, as has been represented, either by yourself or your friends acting for you, whose claims it is alleged you did not make. If you acted not, I called to your attention that these charges of insincerity professional work, along with the assertions of "commercial Osteopathy," conducting side-show operations for advertising purposes, are "commercial Osteopathy," conducting side-show operations for advertising purposes, and, if not due to you, and also due the whole profession that you pretended to have done in this line of cases.

I assured you that I wished to become your champion to defend your reputation in this matter, if you could and would meet such a satisfactory showing as I felt was due you, and due to the profession, under these circumstances; and that I would take more pleasure in publishing your vindication and attacking my own belief in your honesty of purpose and skill professionally—If I was able to do so honestly, after reviewing the facts and the evidence—than discreditable facts.

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**Forbes' Friends Must Help**

But the facts must be known and the good name of Osteopathy demands that all practition- ers and societies who have in any way been identified with these cases attributed as Forbes victories shall lend a helping hand and take it upon themselves to now ascertain the facts and put them before the profession. Dr. Forbes' own friends ought to be most active and earnest in this effort. And all should remember that no half truths or biased evidence will be accepted for the profession will now ferret these cases down and prove them up, and no one should offer evidence that cannot be substantiated by further critical investigation.

**Silence Is Side-Stepping**

Dr. Forbes himself shows an aversion to having such an investigation, if his acts are sufficient to judge by, and, we submit, a man's demeanor under impeachment is as much evidence as anything he says. The editor has written two letters to Dr. Forbes which tell their own story. To both of them Dr. Forbes has maintained absolute silence. If Dr. Forbes is sincere in the role in which he has appeared before the profession, the editor is unable to hypothesize any motive for ignoring such an appeal. As said to aim in the second letter—which went to him regulary and which he got on December 6—it is inconceivable that a man with nothing to hide would take such a position under fire.

**Dr. Forbes Asked to Give Facts**

October 3, 1905.

Dear Dr. Forbes:

I have seen a letter from Dr. S. S. Still in answer to a question from the A. O. about the claims made in advertising matter and elsewhere as to the extraordinary high percentage of cures in the hip cases you have handled. This letter says, in effect, you did not operate upon anything like the number of cases that you have been alleged to handle, for the figures were for the most part uncertain, difficult or impossible to pass upon so early in the history of cases that you have handled; that one case for which much was claimed had died; and that, as any committee of surgeons would read the specifications of "before" and "after," some of the hips "set" and "cured" in report were not "out," before the operation and others were not "in." In view of the wide publicity given this work, the profession a representation from such a source is of course startling and ought to be investigated fully in justice to both parties. I write to ask a full statement from you, any part or all of which, you would be willing to have published to the profession at any time, if there was occasion for it. Dr. S. S. Still said he had protested repeatedly against untrue and exaggerated claims being made in these cases in the name of osteopathy, but his voice as president of the institution did not seem to change this advertising propaganda.

I confess that I have heard these things with much regret and pain, and I would be very glad if I might find out they are not true, and that Dr. Forbes, as I have believed all along, is not the man, for a long time that you were doing much since. An article valuable only for the profession. The establishment of the fact that you consented to having your reputation whatsoever in this work would, of course, forfeit you the confidence of the profession, and your friends' confidence, no more than those who are not your champions. I want to get all the data possible on this subject, and I have been so informed by well known physicians, and your friends who have been alleged to complete vindication. If you act not, I called to your attention that these charges of insincerity professional work, along with the assertions of "commercial Osteopathy," conducting side-show operations for advertising purposes, are "commercial Osteopathy," conducting side-show operations for advertising purposes, and, if not due to you, and also due the whole profession that you pretended to have done in this line of cases.

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Dr. Forbes Stood For Shaw's Fraud

I have not been able to ascertain that Dr. Forbes prosecuted against such misrepresentations by Colonel Shaw. No correction appeared in "The Times" or any other paper which I could find, and Dr. Forbes, as far as I can learn, it appears, therefore, that Dr. Forbes "stood for" this sort of buncombe. I cannot differentiate very much between the guilt of an unprincipled advertiser, who only embraces a manipulation of making money, and a professional man who would let himself be the tool of unfair practices for the sake of acquiring a reputation that he was not entitled to.

The profession now desires the names of all these boys from 12 to 18 years old who are now well and whose cases may not have turned out so fortunately. Also the young woman aged twenty. Also the balance of the "seventeen cases" operated at Still college, or under the auspices of Still college, prior to the date of December 24, 1904.

If they are forthcoming, trot them out.

We Have All Been Gullible

The editor confides to large gullibility until he has been taken by "the same bait," and then he won't bite any longer. I admit that I was much pleased at the receipt of this astounding claim from Colonel Shaw, nearly a year and a day after, but with the joyful knowledge that it data upon the issue: being brought so forcibly to his attention, so nothing systematic has been done by us in this work, in order to run down the evidence in these cases. However, certain letters and statements have been on file in this office for some time and we append them as the justification for our belief—that has been growing into a conviction for several months—that a good part of this hip setting has not been done on the square," but has been merely one of Colonel Shaw's business methods of "building up a reputation" for revenue only. It certainly appears so on its face, and if this judgment is not correct it is up to Dr. Forbes to show us so.

How Forbes Got a "National Reputation"

Along in January, 1905, we received from Colonel Shaw a copy of a paid write-up for the Still college in the December 24, 1904, issue of the illustrated Mail and Times, of Des Moines. It contained a paragraph of press work which was in elevating Forbes above Lorenz and makes the astounding claim for Forbes of curing 100 per cent. of these cases upon which he operated! We quote this article which, please note, claims that seventeen such cases were operated upon at or under the auspices of Still college, and all were successful.

EXTRACT FROM SHAW'S "AD"

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The people at Kircwille have been less gullible than some, perhaps, and when Colonel Shaw gave birth to his claim of "100 per cent. of cures" for Dr. Forbes the truth of his representations were promptly challenged. Dr. Charles E. Strother, one of the Institute of Osteopathic Medicine, Kirksville, MO.

Dr. Forbes has performed this operation successfully seventeen times during the past year.

The operation under Osteopathic preparation and modification is an improvement upon the original Lorenz method and is much less of a shock to the patient. Older patients may be treated by this method, if they have had Osteopathic treatment. Dr. Lorenz operates upon the patient at the first examination, while the Osteopathic physician operates upon the patient with from two to four months of manipulation and in the tissue, so that there is not as much laceration as if the operation had been performed without it. Dr. Forbes has operated successfully on boys from 12 to 18 years of age, who are now fully recovered, and a well-known young lady of Des Moines, who is 20 years of age.

Dr. Forbes has demonstrated this operation before state societies in Ohio, Minnesota, Wisconsin and other places.

MY LAST ABSOLUTE GUARANTEE

My antiseptic treatment for skin diseases has been used in over 3000 cases and we offer a guarantee in over 400 cases. I have had one application for a refund and one only. I am going to make just one more guarantee and the offer expires January 1, 1906--all cases must bear a postmark preceding that day. This offer is made to those who are skeptical and if the treatment does not suit you you get it at my expense.

I send you seven packages that you should sell to the patient for $1 each. You get your fee whether I make refund to you or not. The only conditions are these:

First--Mention the "O. P." when you order. Second--Application for refund must be made not sooner than 30 days from the date of the order and not later than 35 days. Third--The order must be postmarked before January 1, 1906.

My booklet with several hundred case reports will be sent on request. Address all orders to DR. R. H. WILLIAMS, 618 New Ridge Blgd., Kansas City, Mo.

DO YOU WANT BOTH OFFICES LISTED IN THE OFFICIAL 1906 DIRECTORY?

You can secure it if you do by paying the small sum of 50 cents for this directory. A double entry may bring you some increase of business.

Address (at once) THE OSTEOPATHIC PUBLISHING CO., 171 Washington Street, Chicago.
Dr. Millard Got a Quick Run For His Money

LA PORTE, IND., Dec. 5, 1905.

DEAR DOCTOR BUNTING: I sent out the two hundred October Numbers containing my professional card on Saturday noon, and on Sunday noon I was called to see a case of Lumbago, and on Monday morning my card was on the switchboard and read it and then said: “Daughter, telephone that Doctor.” Good work!

Fraternally, your old classmate,

F. PAYNE MILLARD, D.O.

Dr. Kennedy's Vow Is to Begin the New Year Right!

CHARLESTON, S. CAROLINA, December 2, 1905.

ENCLOSED find money order for one hundred copies of the December "Osteopathic Health." Also please send me an annual contract blank for one hundred copies a month, containing my professional card, as I mean to begin the new year right!

Fraternally yours,

RALPH V. KENNEDY, D.O.

THE OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIAN

Thus Col. Shaw's "cures" shrunk up to EIGHT with the first report that came back from these cases. The difference between a cure and "cured" is only a big one. It was hardly fair to use still college's money paying for deceptions of that sort, since it could not be expected in the end to help either Dr. Forbes or the science and profession of Osteopathy.

Other replies received cut down the Shaw statistics still further.

Pierce Case a Long Way from Cured

A. L. Pierce, station 10, Des Moines, the father of a little girl, operated on by Dr. Forbes in December, 1904, wrote February 18, 1905: "There was a small sore made its appearance known by its bad odor, so we made a hole through the cast about the center of the narrow plate cast, and treated it a little, and it is nearly healed over now. Owing to circumstances, we cannot tell whether she is cured or not—or even benefited.

That report compelled a revision of the revised and re-revised figures of Colonel Shaw to read a possible SEVEN cases instead of seventeen reported.

Swanson Case Was Uncertain

Axsel Swanson, Sae City, Iowa, father of Seigrid Swanson, was operated upon by Dr. Forbes, wrote March 13, 1905: "You want to know how Seigrid's case is. I can't tell you until the casting comes on. They promised to take her to Des Moines March 2 and then be operated on, but they have not come. I hope they will be here soon and take the casting as soon as possible.

This report apparently cut the foundations of the "national reputation" as laid for Dr. Forbes by Colonel Shaw to SIX cases. Six from seventeen apparently leaves about 68 2/3 per cent. of Colonel Shaw's representations on the blind side of truth. Whether this case was ever shown to have been cured or helped subsequently the claim of a cure by Shaw was false when made.

After such discouraging reports from the only three cases he could locate out of the "seventeen successes" of Dr. Forbes as advertised by Colonel Shaw, Dr. Charley Still felt that he had learned enough to prove that Dr. Forbes' reputation as a hip setter and osteopathic healer is only part at least, upon deception and false pretenses. Shaw had made such claims in cold type and Forbes had "stood for them," apparently without protest. There were other persons also aggrieved, and the entitled to criticism for keeping silence while the public and the profession were being buncoed in this shameless manner, and that was Dr. S. S. Still, president of the college under whose auspices these operations and this advertising had been made, and in the shadow of whose authority Colonel Shaw, as its secretary, had made these untrue representations concerning the skill of one of its professors. Dr. Charley Still therefore wrote this letter to President S. S. Still.

Call Down for the President

KIRKSVILLE, Mo., June 20, 1905.

Dr. S. S. Still, Des Moines, Iowa.

Dear Doctor: I have been intending to talk to you about some of the statements that have appeared from time to time, with reference to the treatment of cases at the S. C. O. infirmary. I have felt that something of the sort must be reported and that any exaggeration of the claims of the college, and the manner in which the cases were presented, was not to be approved.

I have been told that there had been seventeen successful operations for congenital hip dysplasia and all of them were cured. Now, having been interested along this line, and being surprised at the statement that 100 per cent. had been cured, it was either to satisfy my skepticism, I asked the lady who was in charge of the books, Miss Ella Shaw, and she informed me that there had only been NINE CASES, or that only that number admitted to the surgery as congenital hip dysplasia were reported. I wrote to the ones that Miss Shaw gave me and received a similar reply from all except one. The reply was about as follows:

"The case is still in the cast. Do not know what the result will be."

The other one said: "Do not know what the result might have been, perhaps a hip will be saved."

In regard to the "17 successful cases instead of seven treated. Rather than have such reports come from the halls of the store, I wrote to me to you, as president of the institution, should not allow these statements to be published, and I feel that some explanation on your part is in order.

The one thing that has furthered our interests more than anything else is that we have invariably been in the right truth is the patients treated. Rather than have such reports scattered throughout the land we have kept them from getting into print. Dr. George Laughlin is quite willing to do this gratuitously and to do it in such conditions and if you will notice, as yet, there have been no statements made by or for him.

I have the names of several of the cases which were treated and reported as cured have been returned here for the second and third operations. I have also been informed that some of the colleges which have been set up and in casts have shown by X-ray pictures that the hips were not in position; I also have been informed that some cases which were supposed to be congenital hip dysplasia were placed on them, show by X-ray pictures that there was no dislocation before the operation.

Now, it seems to me that the position you occupy should not be so lax as you have been. I do not think for you to say that you did not pay as much attention to these things as you should is sufficient as an excuse for such actions.

Very respectfully,

C. E. STILL.

Dr. S. S. Still Denounced Fraud

Dr. S. S. Still gave this reply to the inquiry, washed his hands of all responsibility in this boasting of Forbes by false pretenses, which he admitted was only too true, and plainly stating that he knew a number of the reports of alleged cures were sheer fallacies:

Des Moines, Ia., June 28, 1905.

Dr. C. E. Still.

KIRKSVILLE, MO.

Dear Doctor: Yours of the 28th inst. is received. In regard to the reports that have emanated from the S. S. Still College and Des Moines cures, I have been informed by my friends in the osteopathic fraternity that you, as president of the institution, should not allow these statements to be published, and I feel that some explanation on your part is in order.

In regard to the "17 successful cases of hip operations" there have been many difficulties in locating these cases, and up to this time have succeeded in locating only three cases.

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It is a Grave Case for Forbes

Surely a showing like this is sufficiently grave to demand an immediate review of the whole matter by the profession at large. Not only one school, or its officials, but the A. O. A. should sift this matter, despite the fact that the opponents are the same—the osteopathic profession, on the one hand, and Dr. H. W. Forbes on the other.

Colonel Shaw Not Amenable to Our Laws

Of course, Colonel Shaw doesn't count, except as he has been the agency of besmirching Osteopathy with fraud. The investigation will not be opened to any view to determine his standing with Osteopaths. He has been an Ishmaelite from the outset. Being a grafter on the profession and not an osteopath through all these years, his own acts have long ago put him on the other side of the fence from conscientious, loyal and truth-loving practitioners. Colonel Shaw cannot build up either a school or an infamy upon fraud—now that the osteopathic world so fully understands his shameless methods, and he cannot command the support of a corporal's guard of our practitioners in anything he goes at. “The O. P.” has put the facts of Shaw's connection with osteopathy before its readers, thus fully in the light of every one—is a large and beginning to be dreaded—no that the O. D. should be imposed upon longer for want of information. We have given our readers ample warning. If anyone likes Shaw's methods, and wishes to identify himself with Shaw and his scurrilous work, that is his option.

Still Graduates "on to Shaw"

Colonel Shaw is most openly and vigorously denounced by all who know him best. The Still college graduates are the people who repudiated him first and who say now that Shaw's "commercialization of Osteopathy" has been its greatest misfortune in recent years. Since publishing what a mess the old colonel has been stirring up on the coast "The O. P." has been deluged with correspondence from Still college graduates both men and women who are anxious for a chance to go in print and show him up for various alleged dishonorable or conceivably true things that he has perpetrated.

Of the Still college graduates I have met personally I have almost the first one to hear say a good word for Shaw. He has no following among graduate Osteopaths and, now that his osteopathic sins are finding him out, he will have less and less chance to carry on his nefarious trade with every setting sun. He can issue circulars once a month, telling how "many of the Still college alumni are writing" him their approval, but those who are in a position to judge for themselves know that Shaw is an osteopathic pariah and that Shaw's dupes always have been among undergraduates, and each generation of these promptly repudiate him as soon as they put away childish things and get beyond the reach of the colonel's hypnotic eye.

It is not a question of what shall we do with Colonel A. B. Shaw? but that now confronts truth-seeking serving osteopathic physicians—but what shall become of Dr. H. W. Forbes? Is his fate linked with Shaw's by hoops of steel? Has he the colonel's dirt under his fingernails, or can he still make a showing that will justify holding on to him in the hope that the good that is in him can be developed and the bad that Colonel Shaw has been teaching him may finally be suppressed?

"The O. P." invites the attention of the Trustees and of the Committee on Ethics of the American Osteopathic Association to the showing herewith presented.

Legal Documents Prove Colonel

Shaw Strove to a Falsehood

Colonel A. B. Shaw is proven guilty of willful perjury in his personal affidavit that became a part of the evidence he introduced in the injunction suit recently in the Los Angeles superior court.

So much authority and such good authority has been found to establish willful perjury in this instance that we fancy it will be difficult for the colonel to prove himself, if the Pacific college's attorneys should bring these facts to the attention of the court.

This evidence, be it said, does not involve anyone concerned with the Pacific College of Osteopathy. The investigation has been an accurate one, and the official body of the college is in no trouble to establish something pretty widely accepted without dispute.

In his personal affidavit, after reciting that recently he has, during exact just a part of the outstanding capital stock of the S. S. Still College of Osteopathy at Des Moines, that he and Defendant Forbes owned less than one-half of said stock, Colonel Shaw's sworn statement affirms:

That, without their knowledge and consent the majority of said stock was purchased by a competitive institution of Kirkville, Missouri, for the purpose of killing out the official Medicine in the institution, and that it was so killed and merged with the Kirkville Institution in June, 1905.

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Dr. Charles E. Still answers our questions on this point as follows:

"It is absolutely untrue that Colonel Shaw sold out of the S. S. Still College without his own knowledge and consent, and he perjures himself when he says it under oath. Colonel Shaw made me a fait-accompli offer for the price on the stock, drew up the contract, and gave me the facts in order that I might sell his stock to me without Dr. S. S. Shaw's knowing anything about it.

"Mrs. A. L. Conger, of Akron, Ohio, can testify that Colonel Shaw tried to sell his stock by her to her, and purchased her stock in Still college; that she had a proposition from him that she not only sold to him instead of Shaw, and that I met Shaw in person at his hotel at a particular time and offered him part of one afternoon on this matter, and the only reason we did not consummate was that I, Dr. S. S. Shaw, did not know anything about this effort of Shaw to unload—was that we could not agree upon the price.

"Colonel Shaw made me a flat-footed offer for his stock. I communicated by long distance telephone with Warren Hamilton, and upon his advice turned it down. This serves to show what a prevaricator the colonel is, when it suits his convenience."

Dr. S. S. Still Grills Shaw

Dr. S. S. Still writes:

"I was absent from the scene of action when Shaw put this stock selling deal through. He did at least nine-tenths of the negotiating between the parties to the sale. In refutation of Shaw's statement, under oath, that the majority of the stock of the S. C. O. was sold without his knowledge or consent, the publication of the contracts copies of which are ample and irrefutable proofs a fortiori that Shaw is willing to perjure his soul in order to gain any temporary advantage, or earn a few paltry dollars for his piratical enterprise.

"These contracts show that all the stock—except small fraction one owned Mr. Conger, and already purchased by Still and Hamilton at the time of the sale of the balance—was sold at one and was paid for same time.

"Another important statement to prove the justice of the point is, that Shaw is a weak option given by ALL OF THE STOCKHOLDERS of the S. C. O. to Hill and Hamilton, and this option was taken under advisement by

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them for a few days when they proceeded to complete the purchase under it.

"There is no possible chance that Shaw could have forgotten the facts connected with this sale of stock of the B. C. O."

Contract Date Proves Perjury

Copies of the two contracts are in the editor’s possession, copies of which, dated December 10, 1903, the one signed by A. B. Shaw, for himself and his wife, and Warren Hamilton, for himself and the other is signed by S. S. Still and Elia D. Still for themselves and Warren Hamilton for himself and Charles E. Still. As a note to the contract of sale of the stock there is a memorandum: "12-10-03. Received herein five hundred dollars. (Signed) A. B. Shaw."

This contract made by Colonel Shaw contains the following as salient features:

Their sixty (60) shares of the capital stock, foreshadow, which sixty (60) shares of capital stock shall be surrendered to the corporation aforesaid, and new stock issued in its stead; such new stock to be delivered to the parties of the first part upon its being issued, and by them held as collateral security for the true and faithful payment of the balance due on this contract by the parties of the second part.

It is further agreed that A. B. Shaw shall be given and granted an option of three weeks duration during the term of his employment, the date thereof to be mutually agreed upon between the parties hereto.

It is further agreed that A. B. Shaw and Winifred D. Shaw shall not engage in the operation or conduct of an Osteopathic College business for the term of ten (10) years from this date, except by contract with the parties of the second part.

One well verified case of perjury is enough to establish the reputation of any individual. Colonel Shaw will in the face of such exposure not be able to bumco any part of the osteopathic profession any longer.

Other Shaw Falsehoods Nailed

If it were necessary, it would be very easy to point out similar conflicts between the truth and what Colonel Shaw has sworn to, told artfully or surreptitiously put into circulation in a long line of contradictory evidence. For instance:

(1) Shaw announced that he and his associates paid $8,000 for an interest in the Pacific College. He later swears in that circular sent around as a defense of his perfidy with the Pacific college that he sent $8,000 to a bank at Los Angeles for a conditional purchase of the majority of the stock of the same college.

(2) On May 3, 1905, Colonel Shaw wrote the editor as follows:

"In private I will say to you that the business men of Des Moines have raised and offered us $5,000 to remain here and build up a new college of Osteopathy, but I had already traded for an orange and lemon ranch out where the gentle breezes blow and had made up my mind fully to go there. My co-laborers are of the same mind, also."
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Dr. Whiting Put in False Light

The statement that I agreed to any arrange­ments whereby students were to be graduated on the completion of a two-years' course is untrue. It is also untrue that I ever consented to the establishment of a seven-months' course for two-year graduates. The Pacific College has from the first maintained a three-years' course of ten months to the year, and, as a matter of course, we never would have been justified in consenting to graduate any students except upon the full completion of the course as prescribed. I did say to both Col. Shaw and Dr. Forbes that if they had students who could complete our three-years' course of study in less than three years' time that in harmony with our past regulations and with the regulations of all institutions of learning—with the exception of allopathic medical colleges—they would be graduated from the Pacific College.

School Finances Misrepresented

Another mistake is the statement that my representation of the financial condition of the college was not accurate. The floating debt of the college at the time my statement was made I believe to have been accurate within $25, and the value of the equipment, according to the estimate of both Col. Shaw and Dr. Forbes, was twice what I stated it to be. These gentle­men made this statement to me after their ar­rival in Los Angeles and after a somewhat thorough inspection of the college and its equip­ment.

Other Corrections Entered

Answering another more or less important misrepre­sentation which appeared in the Shaw pamphlet—which anyone interested in studying may peruse in conjunction with the text of the Shaw document—Dr. Whiting makes these brief statements:

1. Dr. Forbes began the correspondence with me.
2. My statement in regard to financial condi­tion was correct.
3. I did not write in Des Moines to anything other than our perfectly straight work, and the subsequent communication to graduate students with a modified diploma was a compromised measure agreed upon in September, two months or more after the publication of their catalogue.
4. They did fully agree to the full set of resolu­tions.
5. No agreement was ever made whereby they were to issue or use their catalogue.
6. The statement made about their students demanding more work or instruction than we were giving is entirely false.
7. No such conversation as alleged between Forbes and Whiting as regards modifying the course before the students would register ever took place.
8. Shaw and Forbes came into my office volun­tarily September 22—not on my invitation.
9. No question ever arose in regard to surgery, I was obliged to agree to cut down the amount of work offered in biology to harmonize with the work for which they had matriculated in Des Moines.
10. They did state that they had made full preparation for continuing the work elsewhere.
11. They did extend a general invitation to all students to join them.
12. I repeat the statement that Dr. Forbes told me himself that these students, brought from the east had been promised the three-year diploma of the Pacific College on the completion of their 30-months' course, and I again vouch for the accuracy of this statement.

Full Knowledge—Quick Judgment

The editor had an advantage not shared by many in having the full confidence of both parties to the recent purchase of the Pacific college, and the later repudiation of the contract. Having been kept posted rather promptly and fully by both sides to the deal, from the first steps taken by Colonel Shaw to the last, he was in a position to KNOW what was going on from the inside, and to be able to differen­tiate between truth and trickery when the die was finally cast irreversibly for hypocrisy and betrayal. The editor's circumstances enabled the editor to advise his readers of the full truth of this deplorable situation very early; and certainly sixty days of added revelation have only made the error he then placed upon the guilty principals shown up as timely and well placed. False in one, false in all.

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JUDGE WILBUR, in the supreme court of Los Angeles county, California, returned a decision November 15, 1905, in the injunction suit of the Pacific College of Osteopathy vs. "Shaw, Forbes & Co.," throwing the whole case out of court. A permanent injunction to restrain the Des Moines coterie from starting a new college was thus denied.

This was a technical victory for Colonel Shaw, to be sure, but the facts of the case should be properly understood, which emphasize that the case was not decided upon the right or wrong of the Shaw-Forbes programme, as enacted, but solely upon the technicalities involved which made it impossible at law to hold Colonel Shaw's party to its moral and written agreements. Judge Wilbur ruled against the Pacific College on two counts, both technical points of law, to wit:

First, all parties to a contract must sign it. Colonel Saaw had, with his usual cunning, arranged that a contract should be entered into which was not enforceable. He never intended to carry out the contract which he directed ever so long ago—as a great many people were well aware of all the while, and had appraised the Californians from time to time during the progress of the alleged purchase, yet, it seems, without having caused them to suspect the colonel for his real duplicity and cunning.

This contract was so drawn that 32 students were to be brought west and registered in the Pacific college were a party to it. The contract had this proviso: "Provided, they bring 32 students." The court ruled that it would not be a legal contract until these students were registered—and it is an old story now how Colonel Shaw manipulated these students like putty, and would not let them be registered although in attendance at the college for some two weeks.

Second, Shaw and Forbes themselves had also contrived not to sign the contract. They had framed the deal, made the contract, higged for their own terms and adjustments, got practically all the concessions they wanted, and had the contract duly passed by the college corporation, and themselves registered in the Pacific college under this contract, assumed office, and discharged their duties perfunctorily, yet they themselves—it was not realized until the addition actually developed—had never signed the contract!

Another case of the wily fox! And with more of that type a verbal promise and a written contract assented to and entered upon, but unsigned, doesn't count!

This is the gist of the whole case as it was thrown out of court, and it must be understood that the court ignored the whole fraudulent proceeding. The decision of the court is not a moral victory for the Shaw-Forbes party, as Colonel Shaw is now trying to make it appear. The right or wrong: the sincerity or duplicity: the acting for the best interests of the science and profession or for personal, selfish ambition and greed; the acting in good faith or as traitors and rogues, as involved in this unfortunate chapter of osteopathic history, were things which the court did not consider at all—at least judiciously. If Judge Wilbur entertained thoughts "as a man," he suppressed them.

So it is up to the general profession to frame its own verdict upon this matter, after both sides have had their say, and The Osteopathic Physician, with impartial adherence to truth, and malice toward none, has done its best to present the truth to the profession, from the hour that the case developed.

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Dr. Wheeler on Curvatures

Dr. Clark in Maine
On his visit east Dr. Marion E. Clark, of A. S. M., visited an afternoon on the Maine O. O.'s at Portland December 1st, holding a helpful clinic and love feast.

Central Iowa Meeting
The fourth annual meeting of the Central Iowa Osteopathic Association will be held at the office of Drs. Dysart & Dysart, Webster City, Iowa, December 29, afternoon and evening.

Battle Creek All Right
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Buffalo Elects Officers

At the annual meeting of the Buffalo Osteopathic Association, October 2, these officers were elected: President, F. C. Lincoln, D. O.; Vice President, Andrew S. Wiley, D. O.; Secretary, John W. Malby, D. O.; Treasurer, E. L. Honey-Brisbane building; Treasurer, A. C. Whitemore, D. O.; Executive Committee: The President, Secretary, and W. W. Steel, D. O.; A. B. Clark, D. O.; Alice H. Proctor, A. M., D. O. We look forward to a successful new year. Fraternally, John W. Malby, Secretary.

New Kansas Society.

From newspaper reports we glean that the "Kansas Osteopathic Educational Society" was formed at Wichita, October 12, at the offices of Drs. Miller & Stanley. Officers elected were: Dr. Gladys Armor, Emporia, president; Dr. M. H. Kingman, -- vice president; Dr. Florence McCoy, Wichita, secretary; and Dr. George Shoemaker, Wichita, treasurer. Constitution and by-laws were adopted; a program was enacted and a dinner enjoyed at the Manhattan hotel.

What About Free Clinics

I understand that in some cities Osteopathic societies have undertaken the establishment of "Free Clinics." Although this is a matter which has not been discussed very much, either in general meeting or through press, I believe it to be a proposition which would do much good in the matter of research by Osteopathic physicians located in a place where they could be successfully carried out. I believe, too, it would be a stimulant to many localities to undertake "free clinics," were we to know just how far those which have been attempted were successful. Any information we can secure through "The Osteopathic Physician" would be helpful. —Fraternally, Edwin J. Elton, D. O., Milwaukee, Wis.

Busy Hatchet in Detroit

The Detroit Osteopathic Society has now decided to drop a troublesome clause in its by-laws, which excluded from membership those who make use of adjuncts, and which was the means of working a division in the ranks of the city practitioners. A number of Still College graduates especially were kept out of the society by this by-law, and it is now hoped and predicted that the breach will heal over, and that the Osteopathic clan will pull together hereafter in Detroit.

Milwaukee Monthly Socials

The first of a series of monthly meetings, to last until next June, was held last night in the parlors of the Hotel Pfister by the Milwaukee Osteopathic Society. A clinic was to have been held, but this was postponed to allow time for the report of the Denver national convention to be read. Discussions in Osteopathic subjects occupied the balance of the evening, led by Drs. B. C. Childs and W. B. Davis. Arrangements are being made for an informal lunch at the meeting next month.

First South Dakota Meeting

The first annual meeting of the South Dakota Osteopathic Association was held at the office of Dr. Mario Sture, at Huron, during state fair week, beginning September 24. The following officers were elected: President, Dr. Alva M. Glasgow, Sioux Falls; vice president, Dr. Winifred Atkinson, Mitchell; treasurer, Dr. Walter Goodfellow, Aberdeen; secretary, Dr. C. Steele Betts, Salem; chairman board of trustees, Dr. Ella N. Farr, Pierre. After business was finished clinics were brought before the association by Dr. Sture and delegates were elected to the association, making 24 out of 45 D. O.'s in the state. —Fraternally, C. Steele Betts, secretary.

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Freshman Honored at California College

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Philadelphia Talks Nephritis

The Philadelphia County Osteopathic Association held its regular monthly meeting November 8th, at 14th Arch street, Dr. J. Ivan Dufur presiding. An interesting programme was enjoyed by a paper on "Nephritis," by Dr. E. D. Burleigh, which was a careful study of the acute and chronic forms. The "Osteopathic Nephritis" by Dr. Myron H. Rigby, was especially fine. Fraternally, Abbie Jane Pennock, D. O., Secretary.

Yellow Fever Hurts Practice

The yellow fever has temporarily broken up Osteopathic practice in New Orleans. Everyone who had enough money to get out of the town did so. One or two Osteopaths closed up, but we are open still, with a few on our list. The authorities here have the situation in hand and things will improve from now on. We treated one or two cases successfully, and later on will send you report of same.—Dr. Tete and Lane, New Orleans, La.

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**Dr. Banning Not Prosecuted**

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he would have to take the matter up with the defendant's attorney. It is said that Dr. Henry Hopkins of the Erie County Medical Society, who is the complainant, will take the case to grand jury anyway, but would prefer to have the matter threshed out in police court.

Pacific College Alumni Organise

The Alumni of the Pacific College of Osteopathy met November 22 to form a new organisation. Almost every alumnus of the college living in southern California was present. The meeting was a very enthusiastic one, and gave ample evidence of the strong attachment of the graduates of the college to their Alma Mater. Dr. Fred H. Martin was elected president, Dr. Mary Peatfield Pitch, vice president, and Dr. Dorothy Birlew, secretary. The avowed object of the organisation is the strengthening and development of the college in every legitimate way.

New Year's Resolutions

Resolved, That with the new year I will discard all shibboleth business methods for which physicians are notable.

Resolved, That I will keep some kind of a record of each case, recognizing that these will be invaluable both to me and to the profession.

Resolved, That all these records shall be in permanent and easily accessible form.

Resolved, That while I will use ethical methods in practice-building, that these shall be methods in the true sense, in order that each penny may count.

District of Columbia Officers

Although Osteopathy has been organized in the District of Columbia for six months I believe little or nothing has been said about it in print. We are working with harmony and every Osteopath in the District of Columbia is in line. Our officers are: George D. Kirkpatrick, D. O., president; Bond building, Fourteenth street and N. Y. avenue; Alice M. Patterson, D. O., vice president; Clara B. Tufts, D. O., secretary; Morton A. English, D. O., treasurer; executive committee, C. H. Sterns, D. O., C. O. Goodpasture, D. O., Dorothy Birlew, secretary. The avowed object of the organization is the strengthening and development of the college in every legitimate way.

Oregon Osteopathic Association

The fourth annual meeting of the Oregon Osteopathic Association will be held in the parlors of the Imperial Hotel, Portland, Oregon, Saturday, January 12, 1908. Dr. L. B. Smith, Portland, will discuss "Typhoid Fever," from an Osteopathic standpoint. Dr. G. S. Hoisington, of Pendleton, will give a paper on "Conditions of the Hip," and Dr. W. T. Mercer, of Salem, one on "Tuberculosis." Dr. R. C. Hicks, of Astoria, will present a paper on "Constipation." Other sessions will be devoted to business of the association and election of officers. Fraternally, Hezzi Carter Parmenter Moore, D. O., Secretary.

Unmixed Osteopathy for Boston

At the regular monthly meeting of the Boston Osteopathic Society, held on the evening of September 10, we had the pleasure of listening to a paper by Dr. Charles C. Teall, defending the practice of unmixed Osteopathy, as taught and practiced by our venerable founder. At the close of his address, Dr. Teall gave a clinic and demonstrations on the diagnosis and treatment of inominate lesions, which was thoroughly appreciated. They may be honored in admitting to associate membership the following non-resident Osteopaths: Drs. Charles C. Teall, Carl P. McConnell, Leslie E. Cherry, Charles T. Still and Louise A. Griffin. Our season has opened a new chapter with a fine swing, and we are anticipating great profit in a scientific way from the meetings of our new society.—Fraternally yours, Erica Ericson, secretary.
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SOCIAL TIME IN VERMONT
The sixth annual meeting of the Vermont Osteopathic Association was held in Barre, October 25-26, at the office of Dr. L. D. Martin, President. On Wednesday evening the members were most hospitably received by Dr. and Mrs. Martin at their home, where a pleasant social hour was enjoyed, followed by discussions on topics of interest. On Thursday, after an informal programme, the following officers were elected and meeting adjourned: President, Dr. Charles G. Wheeler, Brattleboro; Vice President, Dr. Rose Cota, Burlington; Secretary and Treasurer, Dr. Harry M. Loudon, St. Albans; Executive Committee: Dr. Samuel M. Knouss, Montpelier; Dr. Herman K. Sherburne, Rutland; Dr. William M. Brock, Montpelier. Fraternally, H. M. Loudon, Secretary.

SOUTHEASTERN IOWA ASSOCIATION

President J. S. Baughman, of Burlington, in the address of welcome to the Southwestern Iowa Association at Burlington, November 4, sounded warnings full and clear for every Osteopath to be a pure, true, and studious Osteopath. The programme was "Counsels of Discipline," Dr. Nanny R. Ball-Baughman, Burlington; discussed by Drs. Maddox, Miller and Charles Still; "Crystalline Osteopathically Treated," Dr. E. E. Westfall, Mt. Pleasant, discussed by Drs. Harper and Still; "Pelvic Troubles, Their Relation to Displaced Innominates," Dr. Laura Roemer, Kirksville, Ill., discussed by Dr. Farmer, Osakloosa, Dr. Charles Still and Dr. Maddux; "Osteopathic Legislation in Iowa," Dr. S. B. Miller, Cedar Rapids. This paper was heartily discussed. "Ethics," Dr. W. A. Cole, Burlington. Two special clinics were given by Dr. Charles Still.

The next meeting will be at Washington, in April. Officers elected as follows: President, Dr. U. M. Hibbitts, Grinnell; Vice President, Dr. Mary C. Kiehl, Mt. Pleasant; Vice President, Dr. E. D. Westfall, Mt. Pleasant; Dr. C. M. T. Hulett, Kirksville. The meeting was concluded by effecting a per­

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA ORGANIZED

November 25, thirty or forty Osteopaths of Western Pennsylvania met by invitation of the Allegheny County Osteopathic Association in Pittsburgh and organized the Western Pennsylvania Osteopathic Association, hoping to be of greater service to the profession, united under which we expect to work, and also to be enabled to conduct more instructive and helpful meetings to the practitioners of this section than could be accomplished by smaller local associations. In this effort we were greatly aided by Dr. O. J. Snyder, of Philadelphia, president of the State association, who spoke upon "The General Trend of Modern Therapeutics, Past Legislation Lessons and Legislative Prospects," which he presented in a very able, courteous and convincing manner, arousing much enthusiasm and good will. Dr. Snyder also replied to many questions asked of him, especially relative to our last legislative fight, which resulted in a better comprehension of the situation and difficulties that confronted us at Harrisburg than could have been obtained in any other way. Our meeting was followed by a vocal selection by Miss Combs, accompanied by Dr. Florence Brown Stafford on the piano, after which refreshments were served. The program was concluded by effecting a permanent organization and the election of the officers: Pres., Dr. F. R. Heine, Pittsburgh; vice pres., Dr. Florence Brown Stafford, Pittsburgh; secre­tary-treas., Dr. R. M. Marshall, Pittsburgh; and treas., Dr. Robert E. Miller, Washington, Executive committee, Dr. M. S. Irwin, Washington; Dr. E. D. Rogers, New Castle; Dr. S. W. Irvine, Beaver Falls. Program committee, Dr. C. E. Thompson, president.

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A. T. Still Won “Independent’s” Popular Ballot on Nobel Prize

D R. A. T. STILL has won “The Independent’s” voting contest to find out the most worthy American candidate for the Nobel prize, hands down! Anything but that makes a majority over any competitor for medical honors, but it represented more votes, we believe, than were cast for other candidates.

The poll has closed and the vote was announced, editorially by “The Independent” in its issue of November 23. There were a total of 22,661 votes recorded for Dr. Still. Not only was this a majority over any competitor for medical honors, but it represented more votes, we believe, than were cast for other candidates.

In its issue of November 9 “The Independent” gave an article by Dr. A. T. Still on “The Principles of Osteopathy.” It was illustrated with a picture of the “Old Doctor” and the A. S. O. on a gala day which we will use in these columns by courtesy of Mr. Edward F. Slosson, editor in the issue of November 16 a reply to Dr. Still giving the M. D.’s reasons for scouting Osteopathy was presented by Dr. W. W. Meacham, a well-known New York medical teacher and editor.

In the issue of November 23 “The Independent” said, among other very interesting things on this subject:

**Very unexpectedly to us, our readers took more interest in the candidate for the medical prize than any other. This was due to the fact that a long row has been going on, a row having made, in Osteopathy, the most important discovery of our time. Osteopathic journals took it up and prepared petition blanks and postal ballots, which were mailed to the candidates, and we received from these more than 22,661 votes for Dr. Still. Many of these were accompanied by letters indicating great reverence and affection for the “old doctor” and gratitude for his work.**

The Republican influence of the votes is interesting as showing the way such popular movements spread. Starting only about 15 years ago in Kirksville, Mo., without initial prestige and against strong opposition, it spread rapidly throughout nearly all parts of the Mississippi valley and then to all parts of the country. It now has advocates in nearly all the states, Canada and Mexico are represented in the votes. The names under which we have collected them from the following states and probably the number of votes indicates in a rough way the relative prestige of the Osteopathic medical states, Missouri, 15,376; Illinois, 890; Ohio, 532; New York, 467; Texas, 419; New Jersey, 419; Pennsylvania, 250; Arkansas, 100; Colorado, 25; California, 20. Published corrective views yet denoted recognition of the efforts and all have an unexampled opportunity to prove their claims. We recommend our Osteopathic friends not to be content with their present victory or pop-out of recognition of the red, soil of said clay bring their base before the Nobel Commission, to be passed upon by the Caroline Medical Institute, of Stockholm, as described in our article of March 9. That this tribunal is ready to receive the résumé of this American medical method is shown by their stamp of approval upon Poinset’s light cure within seven years after its discovery.

The award made December 10 did not, as in the past, fall into the lot of any American. Those honored included:

**Physics, Phillip Leon, professor of Kiel university, for the discovery of new periodic law in chemical and physical properties.** Adolph van Beyer, professor at the University of Munich, for research leading to discovery of the nutrition of plants in the field of chemistry, Adolph von Beyer, professor at the University of Munich, for research leading to discovery of the nutrition of plants in the field of chemistry. Professors Neumann and Koch in the field of chemistry, Adolph von Beyer, professor at the University of Munich, for research leading to discovery of the nutrition of plants in the field of chemistry. Professors Neumann and Koch in the field of chemistry. Professors Neumann and Koch in the field of chemistry. Professors Neumann and Koch in the field of chemistry.

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The criterion of the Nobel prizes is made upon the founder’s birthday, December 21, a most considerate interest to see if America has yet found admission into this living Hall of Fame.

**Let us hope another day may bring recognition to America and to Dr. A. T. Still.**

Gallery of Osteopathic Pioneers

Dr. W. Banks Meacham, a Southern Pioneer

“Have I always fallen just a few points short of the best in every examination?” Dr. W. Banks Meacham. D

OWN in the state of the Tar Heels, at the city of Asheville, known as the Mecca of consumptives, there dwells a personality strong in manliness, gentle in loveliness and kindness, and a kind and humorous view of life as Bill Nye and Josh Billings. The subject of this eulogy is Dr. W. Banks Meacham, one of our stalwart practitioners, and an enthusiastic worker in the American Osteopathic association for all that pertains to professional advancement.

Knowing Dr. Meacham as one of our philosophers, the editor pressed him to sum up his achievement in life in a sentence. We quote it at the beginning of this article. That statement will touch a responsive chord in every reader.

After admitting that the facts of his life had been few, but interesting to himself, Dr. Meacham ran off and refused to be interviewed further because he present these details of the man, and his career for the benefit of posterity, through the courtesy of Mrs. Meacham.

He was dug from the clay hills of Tate county, Mississippi, about daylight (Mrs. Meacham says her husband’s people always were early risers), August 1, 1873. They called him “Banks,” out of respect for the fact that he had been preceptorship in medicine. He attended the schools of his home town, Sentinel, until he grew up big enough to go to college, when, in 1891, with $10.10 in pocket (all free silver) he set out for Clinton and entered Mississippi college. He graduated with the bachelor of arts degree in ‘95, at the head of his class, as might be expected. He served as assistant professor of mathematics in ‘95-96. Dr. Meacham entered Harvard college as a special student in the department of English and philosophy in 1897, and doubtless there cultivated his winosphere and golden gift of speech. He got his A. B. at Harvard in ‘88. Then Osteopathy comes in. He received his degree (D.O.) from the American osteopathic association in ‘97. After graduation, Dr. Meacham left Boston for a vacation and travel through the south. He was lucky enough to cure a Baptist deacon’s wife of desinfection in a few treatments while on a visit to Tupelo, Miss., and had to stay there one and one-half years to get over the effect of that case.

While in Mississippi his life was not a peaceful one. He was tried three times indicted by the circuit court for practicing medicine without a license; indictments being later quashed by action of the supreme court in the case of State vs. Haydon.

Then he went to Asheville, N. C., in January, ’03, where more pioneer sport awaited him. Immediately upon his arrival he had to meet the M. D.’s at the state legislature, and was one of the two Osteopaths to remain in the state after the passage of the 1903 bill by the M. D.’s. With a few new comers he organized the North Carolina Osteopathic Society in April, ’03, in which he has held office ever since as secretary and treasurer. As an evidence of his work, Dr. Meacham has persuaded every man in North Carolina to join both the state society and the A. O. A. Dr. Meacham read a paper on Pulmonary Tuberculosis at the St. Louis A. O. A. meeting, and received appointment to the educational committee of the A. O. A. at that meeting.

With four other D. O.’s Dr. Meacham led the field in North Carolina for a Board of Osteopath Examiners before the legislature in 1903. He was at the Denver meeting in ‘95, and addressed the clinic on Pulmonary Tuberculosis.

While he is not the oldest D. O. in North Carolina, Dr. Meacham does have the oldest office in his state, being located at 5-10 Sundley building, Asheville. He enjoys a good office practice among the wealthy patients of other Osteopaths who resort to Asheville. That city is noted throughout the world as a health resort, people going there from the south in summer, to keep cool, and from the north in winter, to keep warm.

Dr. Meacham confided to us at Denver that he expects to land the ’07 A. O. A. meeting.

Dr. Meacham married Miss Genevieve Cochran, daughter of Judge C. F. Cochran, of the circuit court, of Mississippi, in 1901. May his tribe increase.
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Publisher's Corner.

January "O. H." Asks Attention

January "O. H." starts the New Year right. Incidentally the profession's professional magazine enters its tenth volume with this number.

The contents for January are interesting, readable and varied. Anyone interested in the body, in health, will find in all of them much interest and profit in this number. Anybody not much interested in health, but having a thing or two to try to make plain, in brief space, how Nature has arranged it so the human body that the action of internal organs may be under the control of the best suggestions, and how pain and the processes of health and disease may literally be "played upon," along the spinal column, as the musician plays upon his piano. This article is intended to show the reasonableness and practical nature of your system of Therapeutics.

How many people in your vicinity would like to have read just one such prescriptive article of that nature? December tells them the way to break up a cold is to take Osteopathy. What could be simpler? How many dwellers in your city know that the Osteopath can possibly treat a thing like cold, headache and pneumonia? It is our joint duty and your opportunity to see that they learn. You lead the way with generous circulation of this January campaigner. It gives a most excellent discourse upon the human engine, and how pain and the processes of health and disease may literally be "played upon," along the spinal column, as the musician plays upon his piano. This article is intended to show the reasonableness and practical nature of your system of Therapeutics.

Osteopathy in Lung Diseases, from the pen of Dr. Edgar G. Heist, is plain, strong, true and convincing. Good text for winter, too.

Now, don't you think this January prospectus fine? Just a word more. Don't be late about ordering. Two cut of the last three issues—September and November—have all been entirely sold out before the end of those months. That shows popularity, doesn't it? So you would better place your order for January "O. H." now, and "begin the New Year right," if you intend to engage in promotion at all.

Sample copies will be sent by December 20, as usual. Regular orders placed in time all filled before the end of the month, so that "Osteopathy" shows up to your field promptly on or before the first day of the month.

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Personal

Dr. W. A. Ott, of Toledo, Ohio, is now recuperating slowly from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

Dr. and Mrs. A. Still Craig, recently of Iowa City, are now resided at Marysville, Mo. They report family reasons and to enable the doctor to look after his business.

Dr. H. Lewis Davenport, of Altoona, Pa., has closed his branch office at Tyrone in order to give more time to his main practice.

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Mr. L. E. McPherson, D. O., of Ogdensburg, N. Y., Dr. Crowley remaining at Lebanon, N. H., after January 1.

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