

DR. CHARLES P. SMALL, 5727 MADISON AVENUE,

CHICAGO.

Tresident W. R. Harfar

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I have been informed by the Commuscioner of Health, that the law gives to the Unwriting the right to inforce the "city vaccination ordinance upon all its students and Employers.

It is well known that small pox is very prevalent in this city, and Every susceptible individual is exposed to the danger of catching

the disease.

It is a fact however that every case of smallpox in Chicago, during the present out-break. has been among the unvaccinated, or the imperfectly vaccinated. Not one case has occured among those recently and effectively vaccinated.

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The University Examining Physician

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During the coming Ministrate year, let the examining physician sutire charge of the physical examinations and anthropometric measurements. Also to have it announced that the Examining physician will be at his office at the University at a certain hour Each day in the wrik, when any Student can, without Expense, receive consultations on matters of health, Etc. This, it seems to me, would be a feature grathy appreciated by many students_ I will be very glad to do this extra amount of work thus involved during the coming year, with no additional Expense to the University, on the condition, that if at the close of the year it shall have proved Entirely satisfactory, I shall in the future

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September 20th 1894_

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The University of Chicago.

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I take pleasure in submitting herewith my first annual report of the work down in my department since its Establishment our year ago-

The fact that during the year there have been over nine hundred consultations and visite, seems to prove that this new department is at least appreciated by the students. The original appropriation of twenty-five dollars for medicines has been Enough to meet the demand, as this part of the work is now srly sustaming-

owing to the Extremely limited facilities of the office itself the absence of running water, and of nearly all the nicessary requirements of an office for Either Churcal or dispensary practice the work must be chiefly consultations only, with the dispensing of such medicines as do not require compounding-In the absence of a medical department, the principal object of this office is I suppose to help prevent sickness, more than to deal with sickness itself- In this respect Especially, I believe the work thus far has been particularly successful.

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June 26th 1897_

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My dear Dr. Harper:-

I warmly approve the first four recommendations of Dr. Small, provided the money can be found for his additional remuneration,

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