recognize facts, believing that nothing can come which is good except out of their own creed. Let thought be free. Let us have the best, remembering also that nothing is higher than truth, nothing is greater than good.

I will close by stating that I represent no particular school, no "isms," no medicines, and I am convinced that the rats, mosquitoes, flies, dust, and atoms are not our masters; that we possess the power and right to maintain health both in ourselves and others; that constant frights beget predispositions toward sickness and disarm us when attacked. Cures are worth more than causes.

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## A PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING.

BY ONOTO WATANNA.

THY Book is here, I hold it now With hesitating hand;
But, ere I ope, give me the power,
Dear Lord,—to understand!

What lies within? What may I learn?
A thought too great and grand
For such as I—so frail, so small,
So weak—to understand?

The good and better land:

Ah! guide my footsteps in Thy way

And help me—understand.

Written by one who is not a Scientist, but who like a little child lost in the dark is crying vainly for the light. She does not know as yet what the "Key to the Scriptures" contains. The book lies before her. She will read it soon, and though she has been a freethinker all her life, she prays for understanding before opening it.

Onoto WATANNA.

