This book was originally published in 1741. The word “orthopaedia” was devised by Nicolas Andry. Dr. Andry was a Parisian pediatrician, Professor of Medicine at the University of Paris, and Senior Dean of the Faculty of Physik. In the preface he stated “As to the title, I have formed it of two Greek words viz straight and child. Out of the two words I have compounded that of Orthopaedia to express in one term the design I propose which is to teach the different methods of preventing and correcting deformities of children.” His methods include like such of correcting excessive curvature of a child’s leg “to apply as soon as possible a small plate of iron on the hollow side of the leg fasten it about the leg with a linen roller. In a word, the same method must be used in this case, for recovering the shape of the leg, as is used for making straight a crooked trunk of a young tree.” This was the basis for modern day Orthopaedics. The Chiropractic significance is that Dr. Andry recognized that children whose spines remained normal did not develop disease of the internal organs as those whose spines were deformed. Dr. Andry was 81 when he published his findings in this book.

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