

work of the science of Medicine and Surgery comprised in the elementary branches, you will never be able to understand the more practical part of your studies, nor will you be able to comprehend the various operations of nature in the repair of parts diseased or injured, and the means employed by the Physician or Surgeon in husbanding and aiding those various processes. Be therefore industrious, regular and temperate. If you idle away your time you will without doubt be outstripped by your fellows of more industrious habits, and from very shame be inclined to relinquish your studies, thereby disappointing your friends, who perhaps at considerable outlay and inconvenience, have afforded you the advantages of a college course. Endeavour to realize the fact that your time is not at your own disposal. That your duties are as binding and obligatory as though you had entered the counting-house; in a word gentlemen, you are about to qualify yourselves for the earnest duties of life, by which you hope to realize a competence, and make for yourselves a respected name. Acquire therefore habits of industry, regularity, and system, so that at the end of each Session you will experience an amount of satisfaction in having worked honestly and steadily. Thus step by step you will advance, and in the end be prepared to submit with certainty of success to the various tests of your proficiency at the examinations.

Gentlemen, our profession holds out to its votaries no proffers of reward, save those of a conscience void of offence, which is in declining years of more lasting satisfaction than the acquisition of wealth or titled distinction.

The profession of Medicine and Surgery partakes both of an art and a science. We have not to deal with the various contrivances that man has designed for his own aggrandisement or comfort; ours is a far higher and infinitely greater object. It consists in the contemplation and study of the master work of the Almighty hand, of man himself, made in the image of his Creator, which gives us but a faint outline of the perfection of that being in whom we live and move, and without whom we could have no existence. Furthermore, it is the study of the internal works and functions of this wonderful machine, and the laws immutable which guide it in its course, a departure from which leads to derangement or complete arrest of those operations which constitute life and health. The very contemplation of these responsibilities, that you become as it were the ministering servant of Jehovah, that you seek out and try to unravel the laws of health and disease connected with his most perfect work, is in itself enough to elevate the mind and stamp the character, and determine the urgent