

No one has a greater respect for the medical profession than myself my life having been saved more than once by their skill, but you must be aware they have been very slow to adopt new ideas, especially when they come from lay men, inoculation to prevent small pox was in common use by country people before being adopted by the medical profession, in very recent years surgeons performed operations garbed in an old frock coat saturated with the germs of disease from many former operations, and until very lately consumption was not considered infectious. I just point out these cases to show that even doctors are liable to err, and they are making a grievous mistake in writing & preaching against the use of arsenic for the cure of ~~arsenic~~ ^{cancer}, it will take some one with gigantic energy & perseverance to overcome their opposition, surely some young medical men can be found to have the great moral courage to give this treatment a trial and so bring honour to himself and great benefit to the human race.

I sincerely hope my dear Sir you will not lightly put this letter aside as this will probably be the last effort for me to be able to make being in my 75th year and probably one of the last alive who have been cured or who have the moral courage to bring their case before a public board.