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I find the general line of topics worn threadbare, thus I take "Dental Ethics" as something admitting a plain talk to the students about to go out into the world and fight for themselves.

Definition of Ethics.—Doctrine of morality, that philosophy which treats of human duties, their grounds and obligations. The first duty to yourselves and to your will-be patrons should be to aim high, for a low aim in our profession is more criminal than an honest failure. Conscientiousness should predominate, direct, and guide us all in our work. Without the resolution in your hearts to do good work, so long as your hands have motion in them, and to do it whether the issue be that you die or live, no life worthy the name will ever be possible to you, while in once forming the resolution that your work is to be well done, life is really won, now and forever.

John Newton said, "Ofttimes the hindrances that lie in the path of duty may be compared to the toll-gates upon our turn-pike roads—they are kept shut till we are just upon them, and then fly open, as it were, of themselves. And that is time enough. If they had been opened a week beforehand we could not but have gone through at last."

In these materialistic days it is hard for many men to rise to a truly professional standard. The idea has crept in that the most successful man is the one who accumulates the greatest number of