

cines and sell them far and wide to a gullible public and amass fortunes thereby without being under the necessity of publishing at the same time their composition. Verily they have their reward. But do you ever keep in remembrance the higher self-denying precept of our profession that whatsoever you discover for the good of suffering humanity must freely become the property of those who, with you, are striving to allay disease. Acting on this same precept shun all alliance, direct or indirect, with those dealing in secret cures or possessing nostrums for the manufacture of gold.

It may be that feeling yourselves strong, and finding yourselves unappreciated by your fellows, you may in bitterness believe them to be combined for self-protection to prevent your rise. Do not permit such thoughts to gain the ascendancy, but in humility commune with your own hearts and seek to find what it is in yourselves or in your conduct towards your brethren that has rendered you unpopular. Depend upon it the fault or failing originates in you. Do not as you honour your profession render yourselves unworthy thereof by advertising to the public, or place yourselves outside the pale by playing upon the tenderest feelings of the laity. It is so easy to do that. Do not take steps which, were they successful and were they followed by the rest of your professional brethren, would absolutely prevent students from attaining that knowledge which has been freely imparted to you. Freely have ye received, freely give. Let it never be even suggested that for selfish aims you have sought to bar the gates of knowledge. The doctor must not only be *sans reproche*, he must be above suspicion.

It may be that temptation comes to you to leave the bulk of your fellows and gain a *clientèle* and make a more rapid fortune by pursuing some exclusive method of treatment. Alas for poor humanity! You may be tempted to attract patients and a name to yourself by electro-magnetism. You may be tempted to gain a bubble reputa-