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It is really needless to state that we, of the medical profession, are the most poorly and insecurely bound together, when the unity of those connected with the bar, and even the pulpit, and most especially trades unions is brought into evidence for confirmation and illustration of the assertion.

That we—even all of us—have often felt the urgent necessity of a closer union, in which every righteous interest should be nursed, is a solemn truth, which all of us wish—only wish to encourage, and the very few to work for it. Yet, as a rule, the most zealous of those interested, while publicly announcing their views, are content to see another assume the task of clearing the way for this desirable unity, and are unwilling to encourage or assist zealous workers. Too many there exist among us who say: "Go ahead; that's all right; that is just what we want," yet, do not want to assist us, who of the minorities are zealous in good works, and are pathfinders in medical interests. Too often those among us—our fellow practitioners, yet no fellow-workers—will sneeringly taunt us when a proposition, however well contemplated and well presented fails through want of fraternal support, with the cold and conciliatory remark, "I told you so." Yes, we of the medical