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LADIES & GENTLEMEN:—

The year of our Lord, 1850, opens before us the pleasing prospect, that a Reform in the principles and practice of medicine, will be ultimately achieved.

The laborious researches and investigations of those who are ardently endeavoring to improve this science, necessarily render it in a transitive state, nobly careering onward in the line of progression.

The *rate of progress* we make, is characteristic of our day, and may be illustrated by the changes successively occurring in our native America. Unroll the scroll of Time, and there behold the startling fact inscribed, two centuries ago she was a vast wilderness. Silence and shadow reigned within the depths of her primeval forests. Beneath their leafy drapery, the eye of civilized man had never penetrated. Now peopled by millions, her