

was a good prescription. The man went away, obeyed previous orders, and lived to be ninety. Dr. John Bell, of Edinburgh, knew how to reprove illiberality in his patients. On one occasion he received from a rich laird a cheque for fifty pounds for services which he regarded as deserving of much higher remuneration. On leaving the house Dr. Bell met the butler, and giving him the cheque, said, "Here, you have had a good deal of trouble opening the door for me: there is a trifle for you." The astonished butler took the cheque to his master, who, understanding the hint, sent the surgeon a cheque for three times the first amount. "Well, sir," demanded the presiding member of the Navy Board to a young applicant, "what do you know of the science of your profession? Don't keep the board waiting, sir. Supposing a man was brought in to you during action with his arms

and legs shot off, what would you do? Make haste!" "By jove, sir," responded the young surgeon, "I should pitch him overboard, and go to some one to whom I could be of more service." The reverend board burst out laughing, and the applicant received his certificate for his presence of mind in the face of such a question.

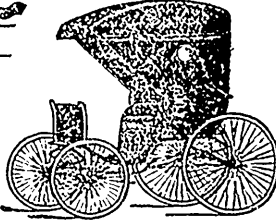
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