

other, have faith in each other, and be friends in the best sense of the word. When you no longer trust your physician you do him an injury by employing him, and when you change to another, don't imagine that he will go over the hill to the poorhouse. This is one of the common mistakes people make. Just remember that so soon as you discharge him, your enemy will become his friend. If you have two enemies, the doctor is the gainer.

Does the doctor have a deep interest in the welfare of all his patients? Does he not feel terribly hurt when one of them conclude that the man who has taken care of his body for years is no longer fit to do so? Well, that depends upon circumstances. There are many men, and a few women whose loss from a fairly developed clientele does not leave an aching void. I have often looked upon such a change with a feeling of profound thankfulness and satisfaction, and when I have seen the other physician dismissed, and myself substituted, and when I have heard the man who has served them well and faithfully vilified and his ability questioned, I have immediately commenced plans to get rid of this very latest acquisition, the easiest way to do so being to intimate that you don't feel equal to assuming such a grave responsibility. Money is not everything. Self-respect is something, and a self-respecting medical man cannot undertake the case of all people. Some of them belong to the veterinary surgeon by rights, and some to Dowie.

I will not apologize for anything I have said to-night. I am not entitled to any thanks for having unburdened my mind to you. I have carried many of these ideas for years, and in giving them to you, I am simply freeing my mind. By giving me this opportunity, it is I that am indebted to you.

One of the most universal of beliefs is that the physician should do all the charitable work of the community, not only freely but cheerfully. The sick should be attended without a murmur of complaint. The employer who pays such wages as to make the saving of a dollar an impossibility, has no hesitation, when his servant falls ill, to ask the physician to attend him without charge, and he feels very much hurt if the physician at the same time asks him to furnish the sick man's family with necessary sustenance during the period of his illness. The city poor are given over to the tender mercies, not of the most competent, but the cheapest physician. The grocer gets full pay for the flour and potatoes he furnishes the poor, the coal dealer gets full price for his coal; every one else is fully paid for his services in their behalf; only the phy-