

## THE STUDY OF ANATOMY.

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One of my teachers for whom I had a very great respect and esteem, wrote in the introduction to his first book, "that a time came in every man's life, when it was becoming to him to give the result and expression of his own experience and observation so far as in him lay," more especially to further in every possible way, the progress of his students, to encourage their efforts to succeed and to strengthen their energies to master the subject or subjects of their investigation. In such a spirit, help may be suggested by the description of one's own difficulties and failures in learning this most important branch of his medical training, the basis in fact of all his professional studies.

When I use the term profession, I say the most acceptable, the best accepted and proper phrase to indicate our position in the world, a term honoured by all nations as above the sordid consideration of greed. Never let your profession be degraded by such conditions as might be indicated in the conduct of a grocery or general utility-store, or other business conducted on so-called "business principles" dealing with mere personal advantages, inconsiderate of others' comfort, health or condition.

To return to our original subject, though much I may say will apply to other lines of the study of medicine I insist that a thorough knowledge of the frame and anatomy of the human body is *imperative*, before any future proceedings or interference are suggested or undertaken. You cannot too earnestly think what the value of this study may be to you, and it is in the after life of your career that you will learn to esteem, as of infinite importance, the time, often wearisome