

The Academy of Medicine has recently received, through the generosity of Mr. E. B. Osler, an interesting collection of portraits and other engravings, selected by his brother, Dr. William Osler, while in Paris lately. Among them is an engraving of Holbein's celebrated painting, "Henry VIII. granting the charter of the Barbers-Surgeons, London, 1547." The original painting is valued at \$400,000. The engraving of another painting, perhaps better known to the profession, is "Une leçon du Docteur Charcot à la Salpêtrière." There are in the collection many portraits of men whose names are familiar to all students of medicine—Abernethy, Bichat, Lavater, Borelli, Cromel, etc.

An unusual feature of medical journalism will be presented in the March issue of the *American Journal of Surgery*. The entire original subject matter in this issue will be contributed by New York City surgeons of note, and a number of new operations will be first presented therein. Among the contributors to appear are:

Doctors Howard Lilienthal, James P. Tuttle, James Van Doren Young, Willy Meyer, Albert E. Sellenings, Walter M. Brickner, John A. Hartwell, T. F. Hopkins, James P. Warbasse, H. Beeckman De Latour, S. W. Bandler, and William K. Simpson.

We are indebted to Dr. Lucy Waite, of Chicago, a member of the Nicholas Senn Club, for a charming little book, entitled, "Gems from the Literary Works of Dr. Nicholas Senn." The following are some of the Gems: Labor's greatest reward is rest. What is rest? Rest for one is toil for another. The laborer requires physical rest. The weary brain must have change of occupation: travel, physical exercises, walking and driving; the solitude of the wilderness, combined with fishing, boating—sports that fatigue the body and rest the brain.

I know of nothing more soothing to a tired brain than the study of the wonderful mysteries revealed by Nature.

The babbling of rivulets, the hum of busy insects, the music in the tree-tops, quiets the excited, irritable nerves better than drugs.

Combined with Science, Medicine is the noblest of all professions; without Science, it is the meanest of all Trades.

Honesty in Medicine, as elsewhere, is the best policy, and will be amply rewarded at the proper time.

Science is an exacting and jealous mistress.