

fellow-man is at stake. Under such circumstances the public will fully endorse the sentiment of Hamlet :

“ Give me that man

That is not passion's slave, and I will wear him
In my heart's core.”

In this particular I should advise you to adopt the motto of Othello :

“ I have very poor and unhappy brains for drinking. I could well wish courtesy would invent some other custom of entertainment.”

Another duty to yourselves is to keep pace with the rapid advance that is being made in medical and surgical science. The practitioner who is content with what he has learnt during his pupilage, will soon fall behind, and rightly earn the contempt of his fellow-man. Idleness should be no feature of the honest and true physician ; though you cease to be pupils, you must still be students, as your life should be devoted to observation and reflection. Take stock each year of what you have acquired, and see to it that you have added to your store. To your patients let integrity be your password, truthfulness your breastplate, gentleness and sauvity, with forbearance yet firmness, your guiding-star. Harshness and want of sympathy in the ills of others, will not tend to elevate you in the esteem of your fellow-man. Seek not success through any other channel than close attention to the business of your calling. It is your privilege to relieve suffering, and, under heaven, to save life ; close attention, with a full measure of judgment, and putting in force the practical knowledge acquired at the bed-side in the hospital ward, will be certain of success. In any severe case, where you are in doubt or perplexity, if you have any fear of the correctness of your own judgment, seek the assistance and advice of a brother practitioner of larger experience than your own. Never refuse your aid because of the uncertainty of receiving remuneration, be generous to the poor, remember the words of our blessed Saviour, “ Forasmuch as ye did it unto the least of one of these my brethren, ye did it unto me,” and your reward will be sure. The physician is the custodian of many