

here and there with pathos, and filled with much common sense that men of the world should cherish. At one place he says that "the man who cannot take a joke is unfortunate." At another: "Remember that the best medical college on earth is nothing more than a kindergarten. Continue to be students during all the years of your lives." "Guard the health of your bodies; a half-sick doctor is no doctor at all. The only thing for a doctor to do, if broken down, is to quit the profession, or die." "Do not cultivate local fraternal societies. There are doctors who know more of Masonic matters than medicine, and the public may safely avoid them. A political doctor runs the risk soon of being known more as a bummer or a boodler than as a scientist or a friend of humanity, and is a sight sufficient to make the spirits of Hunter, Harvey, McDowel, Hodgen, and Cross become jangled and out of tune. Join yourselves to no party that does not carry the flag and keep step to the music of the sciences." "You cannot hope to be a social success and a good doctor. The only time that a doctor can cut a swell is when he lances a boil. I advise you to avoid society, for within its domains nimble heels are of more value than brains." "Have your little recreations and hobbies, but let them be merely incidental, and only with a view to your best good." "Develop cheerfulness; develop the disposition to overlook the weaknesses and frailties of man. Never have any grievances." "Do not believe everything that a patient may say in derogation of another doctor; above all, give no ear to statements said to have been made by other physicians reflecting on yourselves. Ninety-nine times out of one hundred they have been misunderstood, and modified in the repeating. Believe nothing disagreeable and unkind that you hear of any one, and very little that you see or know to be true." Then comes a little word of love for the doctor's wife; he tells what a doctor's wife ought to be. "The well-married doctor, other things being equal, is the better doctor. As the doctor's patients always have to show their tongues, the doctor's wife must never show hers." He says that the doctor's wife "must be so thoroughly unselfish that she cannot be jealous." But, in another paragraph: "It will be difficult for one who saw the beautiful, angelic Adelaide Neilson to ever forget her beauty; but any one who was fortunate enough to have heard the gentle, soothing notes of her lutelike voice will never forget them. I think that the faithful one in dying, as he approaches the gates of heaven, may expect to hear notes reminding him of the tones of that voice." Then, further, he says that "the wife will soon learn that her husband belongs more to other people than to her." We have enjoyed reading the paper, notwithstanding its many little peculiarities already pointed out, and we are sure it was enjoyed by the audience who heard it read. We congratulate our friend, Dr. Love, and hope that the "children's rights" are not reserved. We found them in the *Buffalo Medical and Surgical Journal*.