

You have been exposed, and you always will be exposed, to the contempt of the gifted amateur, the gentleman who knows by intuition everything that has cost you years of study. You have been, and always will be, exposed to the attacks of those persons who consider their own undisciplined emotions more important than the world's most bitter agonies—the people who would hamper and limit and cripple research because they fear that it may be accompanied by a little pain and suffering. Such people have been against you from the beginning, ever since the earliest Egyptians erected images in honor of cats and dogs on the banks of the Nile. But your work goes on and will go on. You remain now perhaps the only class that dares tell the world that man can get no more out of a machine than he puts into it and that if the fathers have eaten forbidden fruit the teeth of the children will be affected.

Your training shows you daily and directly that things are what they are and their consequences what they will be, and that people deceive nobody but themselves when they pretend otherwise. Better still, you can prove that you have learned. If a patient chooses to disregard your warning you have not to wait a generation to convince him; you know he will be glad in a few hours or weeks to call you and you will find your careless friend with an eruption on his side, or visions in his head, precisely as you warned him would be the case if he continued his errors. Have you considered what a tremendous privilege that is?

In a day when few things are called by their right names, when it is against the spirit of the time even to hint that an act may entail consequences, you are going to join a profession in which it not only pays to tell the truth, but in which you will be paid for telling it. Realizing these things, as I had good reason to do, I do not think I need talk about the high ideals and the lofty ethics of a profession which exacts from its followers the largest responsibility and the highest death rate for its practitioners of any profession in the world. I will only wish for your future what all men desire—enough work to do and strength enough to do the work.”—*The Kansas City Medical Index-Lancet*.

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#### MCGILL MEDICAL COLLEGE SUMMER SESSION.

The Medical Faculty of McGill begs to announce that an extended course of study for Graduate Students will be given during the coming summer. Beginning on Thursday, June 9th, the course will be continued for a period of six weeks, during the first half of which the work will be conducted in the Royal Victoria and during the second half in the Montreal General Hospital.