

novice at the business, though I've soda good many puns that other punsters reaped the credit of. However, I don't care a copperas far as I am concerned, though they ought to be handled without cloves till they wouldn't know what was the madder with them. Perhaps I shouldn't myrrh-myrrh. We had a pleasant time, and I shall caraway—" It was too much for the druggist. He collapsed.—*Detroit Free Press.—Medical Herald.*

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"Stafford," writing an "Open Letter" to one of the lay newspapers, has the following anent Sir A. Clark, president of the Royal College of Physicians of London:—

It would not be bad business to decoy you away from your consulting room at any given date. and just pocket the pile of guineas under which your *escretoire* may be said to groan daily. It would be an amazingly good haul for an enterprising nobsman, and *entre nous* your banking account must be so beautifully swollen by this time that you would never miss them.

Truly, the general practitioner is but a poor devil when compared with an illustrious specialist like yourself. What are the paltry family bills which are so long in coming in, and of which no careful medico dare press the payment, beside the glittering series of one-pound-ones or two-twos, or even three-threes, as the scale may be, which are actually forced into the luxurious lap of the man who has made the special study of some popular complaint his own? Fancy an ante-chamber crowded with people desirous, and even impatient, to part with their coin! It is better than discovering a petroleum well in one's back garden, or blundering in a Welsh gold mine!

No one can deny that you have won your spurs by constant hard work; and now that you have been on the war-path for about forty years, you have found out that dieting is the best panacea for the fashionable ailings of your aristocratic *clientèle*. You ride your little *liver* hobby-horse, and truly I believe you are right. One half of the failures in life may be attributed to the unconscionable behaviour of the average