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If it be in your power to do so I would recommend you to enter into a well established office wherein the practice is of a general nature. In these days a lawyer requires to have a knowledge of all branches of legal work. Very few men can hope to succeed by specialty work in a new country such as ours. Choose an office, therefore, in which there is a steady practice going on in the Common Law and Equity Courts.

Having entered a suitable office, your next object should be to make yourself useful in the business as soon as possible. Of course for the first year or so you cannot expect to go beyond routine, but even in this you will find always something to learn.

Let your aim be to acquire a proper method in your performance of office duties. After you have emerged from mere routine to work of a higher nature your purpose should be to take upon yourself as much of the responsibility of the office as your position will admit. By being thus thrown more and more upon your own resources any latent powers you have will be developed and you will at the same time school yourself in that discipline of self-reliance without which you cannot hope to face the duties of an active professional life. Now, you must begin your study of your profession on the very first day you enter an