

other as medical men, remember that you are not rivals, but co-labourers; that you act in harmony, not in opposition; that you are influenced by principle, not by narrow views; that your duty ought to lead to one single constant purpose, before which all considerations even of justifiable ambition and love of praise and thirst of reputation should sink in significance,—that purpose the good of your patients. Though common and perhaps natural, it is nevertheless disingenuous, and on a lower moral ground it is a blunder and impolitic to refuse to perceive, or recognise, or admit intellectual strength wheresoever it may exist.

To disparage is easy enough; and to attempt to reduce another to one's level by such means may be tempting, and perhaps brings with it some consolation for one's littleness; but surely, to raise one's self to the equality of our superiors, and even try to excel them, is a better and more worthy competition: to persist in the opposite course is to be actuated by what I must be pardoned for calling a principle from the code of prigs and snobs and the evangel of knaves. Is there not higher authority than mine for "Sirs, ye are brethren; why do yet wrong one another?" *Λαμπαδια εχοντες διαδωσουσιν αλληλοις*—the light shines everywhere, yet clouds occasionally lower upon us—let us hold the lamp the one to the other in the dark places.

Remember, too, that it is quite possible, nay common, for one's abilities to be rendered useless, talent barren, and even contemptible, without that rectitude which, more than man's capacity, talent, or genius, is his greatest virtue,—his victory over his prejudices, his propensities, appetites, passions, vices,—his character.

And these honours now conferred on you, as you have earned them well and faithfully, may you wear them long. So shall Alma Mater send out her sons skilled and worthy into places now under familiar, now under strange skies, to spread abroad the science and manhood and character, which she has endeavoured to teach and educate; and with the increase of years, and after a life's long vigil, may those honours still be unsullied—manhood be irreproachable, and character unimpeachable.

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*False Anchylosis of the Lower Jaw, of some twenty-four years standing; relieved by free internal incision, and subsequent continued motion, active and passive.* By William Canniffe, M.D., M.R.C.S., England; formerly A. A. Surgeon to Her Majesty's Forces; late Prof. Surgery Univ. Vict. College, Toronto.

Immobility of the lower jaw is said to be an affection peculiar to America; and has been attributed to the free use of mercury, which was