

acquired ; if we reflect upon the benefits we may confer upon the multitudes who, from the circumstances in which, through God's Providential agency, they are placed, are totally unable, save in exceptional and fortuitous instances, to become possessed of such "knowledge" themselves, we may well defer to the Royal Author's inspired declaration that "The lips of knowledge are a precious jewel,"—yea, like charity, doubly precious,—precious to their owners and precious to those who draw instruction from them.

When grievous sickness falls upon us, to whom do we apply for counsel and relief? To him who by previous study has made himself most thoroughly acquainted with the anatomy of the human frame, and with the properties of the drugs and chemicals most likely to resist successfully the inroads of the disorder by which we are prostrated. How do we hang upon his "lips of knowledge" as he tells us he has frequently, in the course of his practice, encountered a similar disease, and, terrible as are its attacks, has usually, with God's attendant blessing, foiled them. The very utterance of such words by such "lips" is calculated to recall colour to the pallid cheek, lustre to the fading eye, and hope to the sinking heart.

When our Country is threatened with invasion, when a war-cloud appears on our horizon, to whom do we have recourse for protection and advice? To him, again, who by laborious study has made himself master of the higher branches of mathematics and military

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