

“ This I do as a last tribute to a science which I have delighted in, and to which I now regret that I have contributed so little ; but if this example which I have set and design for my professional brethren, be only followed to the extent I wish, I am satisfied that much good to science will result from it ; for if medical men, instead of taking such care of their precious carcasses, were to set the example of giving their own bodies for dissection, the prejudice which exists in this country against anatomical examinations, and which is increasing to such an alarming degree, would soon be done away with, and science proportionably benefitted, as the obstacles were thus removed. Nay, so far do I think this a duty incumbent upon one entering the profession, that I would have it, if possible, framed into a law, that, on taking an examination at a public college for licence to practise, whether physic, surgery, or pharmacy, it should be made a *sine quò non*, that every one taking such licence, should enter into a specific agreement that his body should, after his death, become the property of his surviving brethren, under regulations instituted by authority.”

[After this follows the distribution of the different parts of the body to the medical men who attended him in his last illness ; such parts being those only, which, from the particular studies of each, were supposed by Mr. Eilerby, to have to such of them a peculiar interest.]