by an accurate and analytical study of conditions, working under the open-minded attitude that the only way to solve a problem is first to understand it. That errors will be committed goes without saying, for no experiment was ever successful from the beginning, and no scheme of amelioration has ever worked perfectly. Perhaps we can still say with Ovid: "Here lies Phaeton, the driver of his

father's chariot, which if he failed to manage, yet he fell in a great undertaking." The same spirit of healthy discontent that impels the researcher in the natural sciences to seek continually ways for betterment should no longer remain in his exclusive patrimony but must animate all thinkers in all branches of learning.—B. M. Gonzalez, condensed from an address, Fifth Philippine Science Convention Feb. 21, 1939.

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## How to Succeed in Medicine

SOME years ago a "quack doctor" residing in Paris had to appear before a judge on a charge of practising medicine without a licence. To the astonishment of all present he calmly took out some papers from his pocket, handed them to the judge, and said, "I have the right to practise medicine and sell prescriptions. There is my doctor's diploma!"

"Then why do you hide your real profession?" asked the judge when he had assured himself of the authenticity of the documents.

"It's very simple," replied the accused man. "At the age of 27 I became a doctor and soon had a large practice. There was only one drawback—my patients didn't pay. I had to emigrate to America to look for work. There I managed to save some money, enough to enable me to return home and set up a little store.

"Through occasional prescriptions and cures among friends and acquaintances I won the reputation of a 'miracle-healer,' so that people took my advice on blind faith. They began to pour into my shop. And since they all believed I wasn't a real doctor, they paid me regularly and generously.

"I beg you, your honour, do not betray me!"—Parade.