conspicuous faults. We have exerted a continuously beneficial influence upon the conduct of the final examinations held a steady balance between counsels of perfection and in medicine, surgery, and midwifery, and we have, I think, avoided courses which were sometimes tempting, but which, for one should be glad if every medical man in practice, like himself that the spherules were non-nucleated.

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