



## OSLER'S NOTES

The four points of a medical student's compass are:  
Inspection, Palpation, Percussion, and Auscultation.

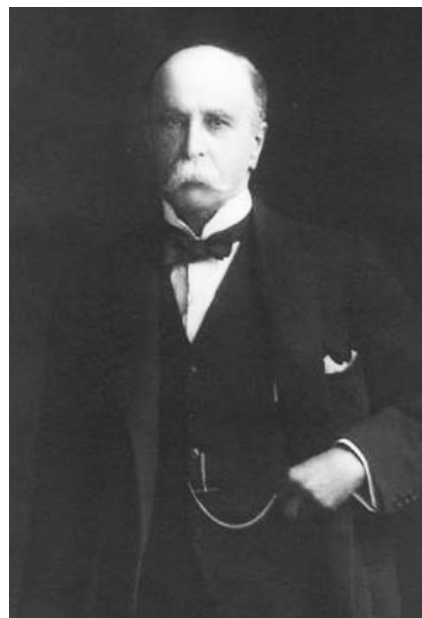
(Source: Bean WB. *Sir William Osler: Aphorisms*, 103.)

In no single relation of life does the general practitioner show a more illiberal spirit than in the treatment of himself. I do not refer so much to careless habits of living, to lack of routine in work, or to failure to pay due attention to the business side of the profession – sins which so easily beset him – but I would speak of his failure to realise first, the need of a lifelong progressive personal training, and secondly, the danger lest in the stress of practice he sacrifice that most precious of all possessions, his mental independence.

(Source: *Chauvinism in Medicine, In Aequanimitas*, 281.)

The [true student] defies definition, but there are three unmistakable signs by which you can recognise the genuine article ... an absorbing desire to know the truth, an unswerving steadfastness in its pursuit, and an open, honest heart, free from suspicion, guile, and jealousy. ■

(Source: *The Student Life, In A Way of Life*, 171.)



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