



OSLER'S NOTES

On palpation of a giant colon: Where you expect water you find wind, no land anywhere.

(Source: Bean WB. *Sir William Osler: Aphorisms*, 147.)

One of the most interesting features of the disease [endocarditis] and one to which very little attention has been paid is the occurrence of ephemeral spots of a painful nodular erythema, chiefly in the skin of hands and feet.

(Source: *Chronic Infectious Endocarditis. Quart J Med* 1908-9; 2:219-30.)

Learn to love the freedom of the student life, only too quickly to pass away; the absence of the coarser cares of after days, the joy in comradeship, the delight in new work, the happiness in knowing that you are making progress. Once only can you enjoy these pleasures. ■

(Source: *The Master-Word in Medicine, In Aequanimitas*, 362.)



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