

CHAPTER I.

PREPARING FOR THE START.

During "Our 100 Years of Progress" Medicine Held almost Complete Sway -- Allopathy chief In control -- Anaesthetics -- Surgery -- Setting in 1895.

During the "100 years Of Progress", in our own country, which has challenged the history of the world for any other period of ten or even twenty times as long, nothing had advanced so slowly as had the so-called science of health and disease.

Aside from the so-called science of medicine itself, nothing had advanced more slowly In any department, than had scientific investigation of the human body, specifically comprehended under the terms, Anatomy,, Physiology and Pathology.

The only discoveries In the so-called science of medicine, worthy of mention during the so-called 0100 years of progress". had been the adoption of anaesthetics, v&ich occurred In the ne@-

borhood of 1850. Anaesthetics had been adopted from their expert-mental and somewhat comical uses, to a definite and specific use In dentistry and surgery; and had later on been used with other narcotics, to allay pain in almost every phase of abnormality.

Subsequent developments have shown that the Value of the various discoveries which led to this latter adoption, is very questionable indeed; for it Is apparent that even up to this time the widespread use of narcotics and anaesthetice have resulted in more destruction-than would have occurred in the-human family in the same length of time without them.