

ILLUSTRATIONS
 OF THE
 INFLUENCE OF THE MIND UPON
 THE BODY
 IN HEALTH AND DISEASE

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“There is not a natural action in the Body, whether involuntary or voluntary,
 that may not be influenced by the peculiar state of the mind at the time.”

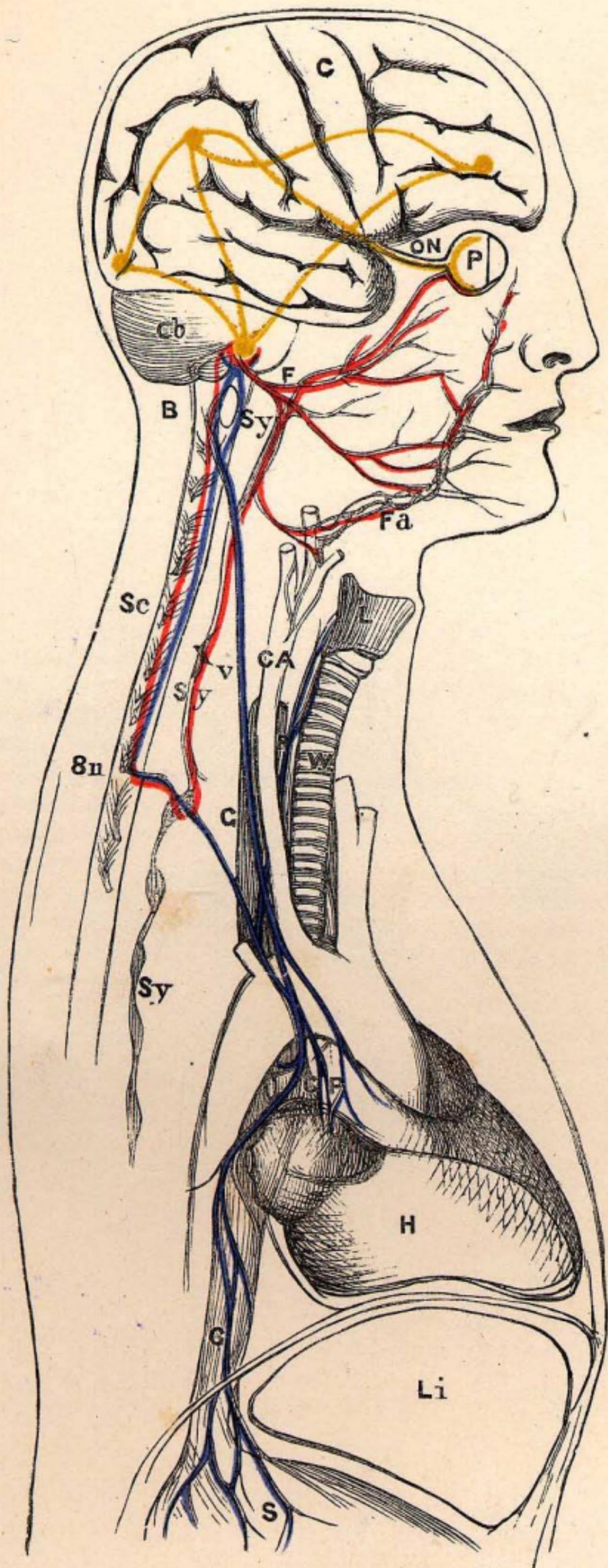
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“Some are molested by Phantasie; so some, again, by Fancy alone and a good conceit, are as easily recovered. . . . All the world knows there is no vertue in charms, &c., but a strong conceit and opinion alone, as Pomponatius holds, *which forceth a motion of the humours, spirits, and blood, which takes away the cause of the malady from the parts affected.* The like we may say of the magical effects, superstitious cures, and such as are done by mountebanks and wizards. As by wicked incredulity many men are hurt (so saith Wierus), *we find, in our experience, by the same means, many are relieved.* . . .

“Imagination is the *medium deferens* of Passions, by whose means they work and produce many times prodigious effects; and as the Phantasie is more or less intended or remitted, and their humours disposed, so do perturbations move more or less, and make deeper impression.”—*Anatomy of Melancholy.* BURTON, 1651.

DIAGRAM I.



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