

and contributors. It is, I believe a *fin de siècle* saying that if a man does not look out for himself, the chances are that he will be sadly neglected. The same truth has even greater force when applied to a profession, and we cannot help thinking that the profession of dentistry is not doing all that it could do—in truth, is doing but a small part of what it could or should do in its own interests. A good dental journal is the best means we have at present for securing concentration of effort and harmony of action in working for the best interests of our profession. These interests consist chiefly in improving the status of our profession, and in securing public and legal recognition of that status as attained."

TYPOGRAPHICAL errors are exasperating, both to an author and the printer. The printer deserves pardon when the author's writing, like that of the editor, resembles Egyptian hieroglyphics. We have apparently exposed our ignorance of spelling, grammar, etc., in these pages during the last year. We know better than to blame ourselves, and we know our own writing too well to blame the printer, so we'll just put it to the credit of the devil—the printer's.

OFFICERS of the Chicago Dental Society for 1899-1900, elected at the annual meeting, held in the Stewart Building, Tuesday evening, April 4, 1899: President, Garrett Newkirk; First Vice-President, G. W. Cook; Second Vice-President, B. D. Wikoff; Secretary, Elgin MaWhinney; Corresponding Secretary, C. S. Bigelow; Treasurer, A. B. Clark; Librarian, C. J. Merriman; Member Board of Directors, Edmund Noyes; Board of Censors, A. W. Harlan, Chairman; W. V. B. Ames, C. N. Johnson.

WHAT else but contempt can decent men have for those who act indecently? What claim upon our friendship or charity has the quack advertiser? Were we to make any show of any sort of sympathy for unprofessional actions, would it not be rank hypocrisy? It is all very well to blame those of us who detest and despise the quack-imitator. But, in all honesty, what else would you have us do?

THE next meeting of the Michigan Dental Association will be held in the city of Port Huron, Mich., at the Hotel Harrington., July 11, 12 and 13. A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the profession.

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