

regards all law as injustice, and who wants legislatures to over-ride Boards of Examiners, and make him by special law what he knows he is incapable of becoming by examination—a dentist. We are never free, too, from specimens of that class who want to wear their spurs before they win them, and who spend their thinking moments, devising plans to obstruct the educational and legislative labors which alone can save dentistry from degradation.

It is a question if the "indifferent" people are not as great sinners as the open obstructionist. If one sentry sleeps, an army may enter. In point of responsibility, he might just as well have sold his post, or shirked it, as slept over his duty. Boards of Examiners do not monopolize responsibility. They are but the official stewards of the members who elect them. The personal responsibility of the individuals does not cease because of the election. If the Board does right, it rarely gets any thanks. If it does what the electors think injustice, they have to swallow the leek until the next election. Now, if the electors would continue their interest, and feel a dutiful sympathy with the work of the Board, it would be a great help. It is the "indifferent" men in our ranks who indirectly do the most harm. We remember, in the pioneer days of the dental reform movement in Ontario, a number of able and active men from whose pens or tongues we have never heard a word for twenty years? They are not ill. They are not dead. But they might as well be for all the active interest they take in the profession. If we were sure it was not libellous, we would name them, and put a badge of mourning around their names.

Our Exchanges.

Most of our exchanges come with unfailing punctuality; some of them irregularly, and a few of them come not at all. Will our contemporaries kindly renew the notice to the publishers to address two copies of the DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL, one to the editor at Montreal, Que., one to the co-editor at Guelph, Ont. They would arrive more surely if addressed to the editors by name.

Reviews.

Richardson's Mechanical Dentistry. Fifth edition. \$4.50. Philadelphia: P. Blakeston, Son & Co.

Just as we are closing this number we have received this valuable work. It has become the recognized text-book for dental students. In the next number we shall examine it more carefully. In the meantime we recommend it to all students preparing for college life, as well as those who are in it.