

own under him as a dentist." Perhaps, too, one of the most important points of the moral code in the laboratory might be summarized as follows: "Doing the very best one can in every detail of duty, and ambitious to do more and better than even duty expects one to do."

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### Wake Up!

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Our Canadian Dominion is a magnificent country, and the dentists in it, as a rule, are a very worthy and honorable class of the population, but we could fill up several pages of this journal with the names of confreres, as able with their pen as their plugger, from whom we never hear professionally, either in the societies or the JOURNAL. It is most provoking to witness this indifference. If it is due to the overweening conceit that they "know it all," surely it is a duty to enlighten us who deplore our ignorance every day in the year. If it is due to the love of ease and a happy *insouciance*, let us remind them that one of the surest steps downward is apathy, and one of the surest upwards, an active interest in the communication of ideas. Necessarily there is some rubbish published in all journals, but perhaps there would not be if the wiser men would contribute oftener.

As a national duty, our Canadian dentists should waken to the fact that, however skilful as practical men they may be—and we have scores of men who hide their lights under a bushel—the world of dentistry expects to hear from them, and Canada has a claim upon them, to honor and uphold the professional talents committed to them. If men would put their patriotism, as well as their religion, into professional life, who might not be canonized?

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### Correspondence.

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#### The Congress.

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*To the Editor of the DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL:*

SIR,—I was sorry that you and our worthy Vice-President and Secretary did not appear on the scene, and so, as Deputy Secretary, I was called to answer for our noble country.

To say I enjoyed the Congress is drawing it very mild. They used every possible means to entertain the foreigners both socially and professionally, and as science was the order of the day, so they were hospitable in a scientific manner.