

December 7th, 1926.

Dr. W. D. Cowan,
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Regina, Sask.

My dear Dr. Cowan:-

Dr. Thornton has handed to me a copy of your letter of November 19th to him. Your letter sets forth a copy of a resolution which was passed recently by the Dental Board of Alberta and which you say is almost sure to be passed by the Dental Board of Saskatchewan.

I am sorry that the Dental Boards in these provinces feel called upon to take such action. Let me say that I have no sympathy whatever with the stand taken by the Dental Board of the Province of Quebec. It is little use for us to talk of the dangers of provincialism when representative bodies have as a policy one so scandalously provincial as the policy of the Dental Board of this province. You know the influence of the English-speaking population of the Province of Quebec is not always sufficient to control the action of our French-speaking fellow citizens, but this I can say that we always oppose as strenuously as we can these ultra provincial policies. I was hoping that in time we could induce them to change. If we could it would be for the benefit not only of dental matters generally, but of interprovincial relations in their wider scope. If, however, the Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan take the action outlined in your letter our hopes of influencing the Quebec Board become extremely remote. Two wrongs