

undersigned scarcely bears out Dr. Milne's disclaimer: "I quite agree with all you say, and think your letter to Milne very moderate in tone. I would sign it, only I have already written a strong expression of opinion. Milne answered me, and said he sent a list of candidates he 'heard' were in the field. He also told me he sent a fresh voting paper, and a withdrawal of the semi-official list. I have little doubt but that the election is entirely illegal, and could be upset by a more formal objection." This gentleman, it appears, had exactly the same grievance against the registrar, and protested against his excess of zeal independently of us, and long before the case referred to in our letter was brought to his notice.

Dr. Smith's report, and his eulogium of the council and its registrar, is no doubt very nice and comfortable; but has no bearing on the point at issue, and is of no interest to any one—unless it be the registrar.

Yours truly,

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Victoria, August 4th, 1893.

To the Editor of THE CANADIAN PRACTITIONER:

SIR,—Since posting you the joint reply of Dr. Wade and myself to Dr. Milne's letter in your journal respecting the recent election of the British Columbia Medical Council, I am in receipt of *The Ontario Medical Journal*, which also contains a letter from Dr. Milne, but one differing very widely in its tone from that he sent you.

I trust that you will favor me with space to remark on this. Having referred you to the very servile apology of the editor of that journal, who evidently feels proud of being "under the control of the Medical Council of the Province of British Columbia," and who further states that "to avoid all further trouble we will send all communications to Dr. McGuigan to be revised," I trust I shall have said enough to convince you that it is impossible for me to address any remarks to or take any cognizance of so narrow-minded an organ.

Dr. Milne says he has already answered us in THE PRACTITIONER. In that letter Dr. Milne practically admits the truth of the charge we brought against him, though he tries to dispose of it with a rather lame excuse (to the truth of which I hardly think he would venture to swear), for as time goes on more cases are coming to our knowledge in which the registrar furnished a list of candidates. Thus either Dr. Milne's excuse is not founded on strict facts, or, what is almost as remarkable, the instances in which he had to exhibit his courtesy by giving advice were more numerous than he has taken credit for. It is also rather astonishing that the list of names furnished by Dr. Milne contained only those of a caucus.