

There have been misunderstandings in the past, and doubtless there will be in the future, in the relations between the College and the practitioners; but the Board is elected entirely from themselves, so that it is in their own hands to have just such harmony as they please, and it is the sincere wish of the DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL that all may work in unison to the continued promotion and advancement of the profession.

THE BRIGHT SIDE.

Every cloud has its silver lining, and even the overcrowding of the profession has its compensations. Some time ago two of our many correspondents in Ontario wrote us to say that they were devoting some of their time to general literature, and several others, to market gardening. "Literature," as someone remarked, "leads to everything, provided you leave it," and we were not so sanguine of its paying prospects for those who have been seized with the *cocoethes scribendi*. But the first profession ever established was that in which the first man was the first farmer, and there have been several successes achieved in a small way in several lines of agriculture by quite a number of dentists in Canada, and quite a number in the United States. If the overcrowding increases, most of us will have to pull in our horns in the luxuries of our usual lives, but there is no reason why compensation cannot be found in other directions, which will not divert an established practitioner too much from the routine of dental practice. In fact, we would all be healthier and happier and enjoy better and broader views of life if we had hobbies of this sort. If we look philosophically at the events which happen to us, we would escape many a fit of the blues. That which appears hopeless may be truly a godsend, and the dark clouds of life may be just as necessary to our happiness as those of the heavens are to the fertility of the soil. One of our despondent friends was saved from suicide by joining a bicycle club.