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THE "IRRIGATION TREATMENT."

To the Editor of THE CANADIAN JOURNAL OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY:

MY DEAR DOCTOR,—In view of the well-established fact that you always strive to present your readers with the newest in everything, it is surprising to find pages 295 to 309 of your November, 1898 issue, occupied by what purports to be a copy of my article originally published in the *New York Medical Record*, for June 5th, 1897.

The article you reproduce has been entirely superseded by another published in the *International Journal of Surgery* for September, 1898, which contains the result of sixteen months' more experience.

Two pages of rambling, incoherent and misrepresenting addition to my article, of whose authorship I know nothing, convince me that you have been imposed upon in the whole matter. And, when an article of mine is unscrupulously used for the purpose of deliberate misrepresentation, I deem it my duty to call your attention to it.

To show that neither you nor I have been guilty of endeavoring to deceive your many readers, I shall be glad to send them, at my expense, a copy of my recent article on the "Irrigation Treatment."

Yours very truly,

New York, Nov. 7th, 1898.

FERD. C. VALENTINE

[It is quite unnecessary for us to say that we greatly regret the above, as had we known that the entire article which we published did not proceed from Dr. Valentine's pen (of whose ability almost everyone is aware), or at least that the 2-page addition was not written by him or under his guidance, we would never have allowed its publication.—EDS.]

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CINCINNATI, Nov. 5th, 1898.

MY DEAR SIR,—I have the honor to announce that in April, 1898, I received from Dr. José Manuel de los Rios, Chairman of the