

parrot like, and received the Irishman's hint to make yourself scarce; or, to use a word, you played upon so dexterously, was honoured with the gentle "kick" of disapprobation from the board of examiners.

In the next bolt you are pleased to make, you refer me to a preceding communication, under another signature, (for in fact it seems that you do not want for names, any more than a hydra does for heads,) relative to the same subject; to discuss the merits of which, would necessarily prolong the present to an unpardonable length, and which, as it is pointed at particular individuals with whom I neither have, nor desire, any intercourse, I shall only take the liberty of asking you, where you discovered the idea contained in the concluding paragraph? (See the communication here alluded to, in No 37, p 293, and one on the same subject in No. 23, p. 102.)

As to the "much injured Quebeckers," if what you have stated respecting them be correct, I would be the very last man who would attempt their justification, nay, I would readily join in a petition to have a free and speedy passport granted them to Botany-Bay. Still you have, most unintentionally paid a high compliment to our Montrealers. You have, very obligingly proposed a series of interrogations for me to put to my "coadjutors," as you style them. In return I would be obliged to you for the address of your last year's agent; for I can assure you that it was not *me*. You say that to call things or persons by their right names, "would be to expose and injure the persons to whom you alluded." This passes my comprehension; and I should conceive it an insult to the understanding of any one, to endeavour to convince him that nicknaming a person, and insinuating that he has been guilty of this or that offence, is not "injuring" him.\*

Towards the conclusion of your most logical epistle, I find

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\* Here Phineas is again wrong, and has not understood his antagonist at all. The exposure of the names of the persons alluded to, has relation to the names of those candidates, who A FRIEND TO TRUTH maintains were improperly admitted to the profession; and has no bearing whatever upon the persons composing the board of examiners, whose cause Phineas espouses, and with respect to whom A FRIEND TO TRUTH does not seem to feel any delicacy; as, though they are not named, they are easily recognizable, besides being known as such by the official announcement of their appointment. Nor is there any "nicknaming" in the whole of these communications, excepting the honourable Mr. Busybody whose picture was so-like, that I did not think it necessary to add, as I do now, that it was meant for "the honourable John Richardson." L. L. M.