

circle, they will feel satisfied that all that devotion and skill could possibly do has been done to save the precious life.

To fellow-members of the profession be always considerate and generous—prompt to defend their professional reputation when thoughtlessly or maliciously assailed. Any attempt to improve your own position by detraction of a *confrère* would not only be unmanly and unprofessional, but would probably and justly fail. Always take a deep interest in the welfare of your country. Cultivate in yourselves and take every favorable opportunity to kindle in others a spirit of patriotism. Canada is a country of which her sons may well be proud. A not unimportant part of the greatest and most liberal empire the world has ever seen, with self-government secured to her, and with no old world class distinctions among her people, she is at present the freest, the happiest and the most secure place on the surface of the globe in which to dwell. Grateful, indeed, ought every Canadian to be for all that Britain, the grand old mother country, has done for this Dominion, and steadfastly should they resist any attempt to weaken the bonds which now unite the two. In no part of the empire does there exist a deeper feeling of loyalty and devotion to our Empress Queen than in this Dominion of Canada. When the tidings reached us of the late attempt upon her life, we, her loyal subjects in Canada, could scarcely realize its possibility. That there could exist a brain to conceive and a hand to carry out a murderous design against one whom the civilized world acknowledges to be peerless as a sovereign, peerless as a mother, and peerless as a woman, was beyond our comprehension, and it was with a feeling of relief that we learned that the brain and hand were those of one who cannot be held accountable for his actions. Thankful, fervently and profoundly thankful, are we for Her Majesty's providential escape, and that a national calamity has been thus averted. We hold her in reverence as the supreme head of the state, we honor her as the wise and constitutional ruler, but we love her for those qualities of heart which have made her, in good old expressive Saxon, the *sweet-heart* of her people. God save the Queen.