

possible. You can combine to sell coals, butter and cheese, but a professional combine to regulate fees would never work until all men were not only equal but honest. The result of attempting anything of the kind would end like the experiment of Charles XII. who after trying in vain to make twelve watches run together, came to the conclusion that it was as great folly attempting to make everybody think alike on matters of religion.—ED. D.D.J.]

The "Dominion Dental Journal."

To the Editor of the DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL :

DEAR "JOURNAL,"—You have made your New Year call in the shape of a January number of '94. We always appreciate your visits. You used to come but once a quarter: then your visits became as frequent as six times a year, while now you call upon us every month.

You are growing nicely for your age. You are not yet as corpulent as some of your cousins who come to see us. No doubt you would grow faster if those you call upon would give you more five-o'clock teas—something to fill you up.

However, what you do get is wholesome, independent fodder.

I hope you will grow so big you'll bust your "galluses." By the way, your call reminds me that I must send a New Year card, in the shape of a one dollar bill, to your Pa, to help clothe you and pay your travelling expenses, for another year.

Good bye, come again.

Yours truly,

APPRECIATION.

Reviews.

Dental Metallurgy. A Manual for the use of Dental Students. By CHAS. J. ESSIG, M.D., D.D.S., Professor of Mechanical Dentistry and Metallurgy in Dental Department of University of Pennsylvania. 3rd edition, revised. Philadelphia: S. S. White Dental Manufacturing Co., 1893. Pp. 283.

This is one of the valuable little works which has no rival in dental literature. It needs none; because Dr. Essig has the rare art of condensing a quart of wine into a pint bottle, or, in other words, of putting necessary knowledge into convenient space. It embodies the recent improvements in the production of amalgam, aluminum, iron and steel, and follows the system of spelling and pronunciation of chemical terms as recommended by the chemical section of