

hearted and generous, whose fame as a benefactor is now spreading far and near. The cures effected by his treatment have been so astonishing that they have formed the subject of gossip throughout the Province.

"Robt. A. Anderson, Mayor; Fred. Cope, ex-Mayor, James Orr, ex-M.P.P.; Henry A. Mellon, J.P.; W. Godfrey, Manager B. of B. N. A.; M. A. MacLean, ex-Mayor; Alb. Zeplien, Captain German barque *Gutenberg*; Thomas Dunn, hardware merchant and ship chandler; John McLaren, Chief of Police; V. W. Haywood, Sergt. of Police; G. A. Jordan, P.M.

"TESTIMONIAL.

"PROFESSOR ZIMMER, Vancouver.

"*Dear Sir*,—It affords me much pleasure to bear testimony to the success which has attended your treatment of various diseases by the use of Botanical Remedies, and the confidence which is placed in your methods by the people of this city and district. I believe that the more extended use of herbs, which are Nature's primary remedies, would prove highly beneficial to humanity, and I wish you every success in your efforts to bring them into popularity.

"I am, faithfully yours,

"D. OPPENHEIMER, ex-Mayor."

Th's. we may say, has special interest in Ontario, because it was in Berlin and Guelph that "Professor" Zimmer passed through the course of hide-buying that qualified him for a certificate on a sheep's pelt of ability to cure all the ills that flesh is heir to. The interview with the "old gentleman" would be amusing, if it were not calculated to do so much harm. His \$30,000 hunt after experience, and his \$5,000 plunge after pleasure, have no doubt had an effect, but to our mind the conclusion that it has fitted him to experiment on the human organism, is hardly justifiable. He says that he is unable to eat money, but it is doubtful if a diet of dollar bills, bacilli, microbes and all, would have as serious an effect on him as some of his concoctions are apt to have on his patients. His incidental reference to the Almighty as the chief pharmacist is ingenuous, but the bitter experience of many people with faith cures justifies the conclusion that the Supreme Being allows to come about the natural results of criminal tinkering, drugging and tampering with the creation modelled after His own image. Some of the persons whose names are appended to the "Professor's" wonderful tale are known to readers of the JOURNAL. Mayor

Anderson is a Prince Edward Islander, as is also Sergeant Heywood; James Orr comes from Stratford, Ont.; W. Godfrey is a native of Kingston; G. A. Jordan hails from Lindsay, and M. A. MacLean lived for many years in the township of Ops, in Victoria county; Thos. Dunn resided for some time in Toronto, and is married to a daughter of one of the leading druggists in the Queen City. That these people should lend themselves to such a farce is almost incredible. Ex-Mayor Oppenheimer is a clever business man, but we know of nothing to justify him in assuming the right to grant a certificate to practise to men of the Zimmer stamp.

Apropos of this, let us quote another advertisement from a Vancouver paper:

"CLAIRVOYANTE.

"Mrs. Dr. Mearchant, Clairvoyante, Dunn-Miller Block, No. 18 Cordova Street, will give you a full reading of your life. Consultation on all affairs, nothing excepted, with the utmost truth. Her wonderful gift enables her to look after business and absent friends in any part of the world. Great success in curing all kinds of diseases. Will unite the separated, remove any evil influence, restore lost love. Circle Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. All sittings private."

The placing of this under the head of professional cards is rather good. How many people have been duped, led perhaps by their credulity into providing work for the grave-digger, by just such people as this, can only be conjectured. We are pleased to be able to state that the Medical Council has awakened to the necessity of taking action in reference to this matter, and have placed a special officer on the track of these offenders in all the cities of the Province. His efforts have already borne fruit, and in time, these ghouls who prey on human weakness may be driven to seek a new home, and cease to trouble any longer misguided British Columbians.

A PLEASING SEND-OFF.

A physician's life is not always a happy one, either afloat or ashore, and abuse in return for services rendered is about as common as a cheque in settlement of "that little bill." It is a pleasure, therefore, to be able to record the appreciation shown of at least one medical man's efforts towards the