

We do not think that the affairs of the Academy called for the intervention and advice of a journal whose head office is so far from Toronto. The Toronto Academy is now a powerful and progressive society and may be trusted to manage its own affairs. The Academy may be fully trusted not to do anything that "is not creditable to medicine in Canada."

There is one phase of this affair that we would recommend to the attention of the writer of the article in the association journal. Does he think that "the band which canvassed for uninterested voters" could induce so many of these to vote "nay" as did so on the occasion of the election? We would urge upon the editor of the association journal to keep in mind the personal equation in all such cases. The fellows of a society should not be condemned because a certain candidate fails to secure admission.

It is to be sincerely hoped that when the editor of the Canadian Medical Association Journal undertakes to lecture the Toronto Academy of Medicine on how to conduct its affairs he will take the pains to be at least correct in his facts. Any fair-minded person who reads the editorial will come to the conclusion that it was wholly uncalled for, and was entirely unjustifiable. The whole trend of the article is such as to make mischief. There is no faction fighting in the Academy. The constitution is a good one, the Academy is doing splendid work, it is steadily growing in wealth, numbers and influence. It does not require a lecture on good behavior from Montreal; and certainly would be more than justified in vigorously resuentering the recent attack made upon it by a writer in that city.

"With its head held high" the Academy goes on its way. We must inform our readers that the Academy is most careful to do all things strictly according to its constitution. It accords to every fellow his full rights. The Academy of Medicine is an organization of the medical profession in Toronto, where every fellow is on the same footing. In its ranks there is no such thing as medical faculty fellows, and non-medical faculty fellows. To intimate any such division is very wrong.

For the benefit of the Montreal critic of the Toronto Academy of Medicine we most respectfully commend the following:

Heat not a furnace for your foe so hot
 That it do singe yourself; we may outrun,
 By violent swiftness, that which we run at,
 And lose by running. Know you not,
 The fire, that mounts the liquor till it run o'er,
 By seeming to augment it, wastes it.

It is our opinion that the writer of the editorial heated his furnace too hot and has singed himself; that he ran too fast and lost thereby;