

If the dentists who are ethical and honest were half as persistent in their exposure of quack methods as the quacks are persevering in their falsehoods, the ethical and the honest would soon drive the false and the pretentious to the wall. But there are timid men who have so little fight in them that they would rather suffer than complain. There are others whose ideas of ethics go to the extent of believing, that it is unethical to bother themselves about the matter. There are others who believe in exposure of the imposters, and education of the press, but they like others to do it. If the fighters get hurt, they escape. If they smash the quacks, they share in the "profits." "There are others."

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To the Editor of DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL:

SIR,—The bombardment of quackery and quack methods, in which you have been engaged for the last year, has had, directly and indirectly, good results. I have made your articles subjects of monthly conversations with those of my patients who were in any way influenced by quack advertisements, and I have taken opportunities to bring them before the special notice of the editors of our two papers, and I am glad to say that I succeeded in getting both of them to copy in full, the article in the June issue, on "The Neglect of the Teeth in Country Districts." It did a lot of good. Every one of us can use the pointers before our patients and with our local press. We can show the editors that it is in the interest of the public to do so, and I hope we will discuss this subject at our meeting in Toronto.

I know quite a number of our young men who have been dissuaded from using quack methods, by the articles in the JOURNAL. Perhaps you do not please everybody. You may even have enemies. I would like that we should know who they are. The JOURNAL is an absolute necessity to us, and conducted as it is, is doing a splendid organizing and protective work for us. It may not succeed in ridding the profession of all quack methods, but it will certainly reduce them to a minimum, and if the respectable dentists of the Dominion, and of Ontario especially, would each put in their oar, the pull together in defence of the dignity of the profession, and the protection of the unsuspecting public, would be strong and effective.

Yours,

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