

committees; that of the five members assigned by law to the Executive Committee, three shall be territorial men, and that, in accordance with universal parliamentary usage, of these three seats at least one shall be held by a member of the opposition—as a guarantee against all similar hole-and-corner work for the future.

Yours, etc., . JOHN H. SANGSTER.

Port Perry, January 7th, 1897.

Medical Council—Dr. Williams.

To the Editor of the CANADIAN MEDICAL REVIEW :

SIR,—In your January number our friend, Dr. Sangster, continues to castigate the Medical Council with renewed energy. His first letter is introduced with a series of italicized head-lines that would be creditable to the business energy of a peripatetic medicine vendor. No doubt they are intended to so satisfy the reader that he will not peruse the context and learn that the arguments (?) do not establish the assertions made. Before, however, he gets down to the discussion of the subjects in hand, he covers a page of your valuable journal in making a passing thrust at the medical journals of Ontario, which he calls school journals. *The schools* seem to have a bad effect on the doctor, much the same as the famous “red rag” when shaken before some of the bovine species. And that “little effort” of mine of last June—how it has had importance thrust upon it! It, too, must receive a passing thought. He is sorely troubled that this “now famous production” will not serve Dr. Williams and a “few other territorials” as an excuse for not voting at the beck of Dr. Sangster, which he takes as being synonymous with “opposing all efforts at retrenchment and other needed reforms projected in the interest of the electorate.”

The doctor is much more solicitous for the welfare of these *few members*, which comprise nearly four-fifths of the Council, than they are for themselves. *They* are not seeking nor making excuses. Not one of them has appeared in the secular press, nor yet in the medical press, for any such purpose. They trust their case to an intelligent electorate with the transactions of the Council as the exponent of their actions, and do not fear the judgment.

How about the “Little Phalanx”? Are they equally willing to be judged by their deeds? Why this lusty outcry in their own behalf? Why is it necessary to proclaim that they are the men seeking