

more influential than any amount of individual advertising. The University of Toronto, and I may add now, the University of Bishop's College for Quebec, surely do not want the stigma of association in any way with these parties, and should be willing to help us to get rid of them.

L. T.

STUDENTS PRACTISING DENTISTRY.

To the Editor of DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL:

SIR,—Several students are quite publicly practising dentistry. I have seen the printed cards of two of these gentlemen, bearing their names with the title of "Dentist" on one corner, which they carry in their pockets, and slip to their friends, with the hint that they will do "the work" much cheaper than the regular licentiates. One of these very smart young men recently was several days in an obscure village, where there is no dentist, and not only was busy, but did a lot of irreparable damage. The licentiate to whom this fellow is indentured is responsible, and should have the indentures cancelled. The sooner we let these people and all advertising frauds understand that they are committing breaches of the law, the better. If a regular lawyer should advertise after the manner of some of our regular dentists, he would be deprived of his gown, and the right to practice at the bar. I do not see that there is half the *raison d'etre* for such action, compared to those which can be given for protecting the public from the imposing advertisements of impostors.

L. D. S.

Question Drawer.

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26. Q.—What is the best method of applying cocain for painless extraction of pulps from teeth?

I have occasionally used a strong solution of cocain with crystals of carbolic acid dissolved in chloroform, and applied with a broach, working it carefully and thoroughly into the canal and living tissue. Sometimes this would give me the best of satisfaction. On other occasions it did not seem to give the relief anticipated.

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