

camp of advertising cheap quacks, such as disgrace us in the Toronto and Montreal papers, revel in their shame, fastidiousness expects us to apologize for our existence and hoist a flag of truce. Not if we know it!

We shall continue to do all in our power to put quacks and those who imitate their methods in their proper place, as the tramps and *canaille* of the profession, whether they are professionally qualified or not. To-day, in Canada, we have an overwhelming majority of respectable and publicly respected dentists. We are recognized as a profession in every Province, having an equal rank with medicine and law. That was won by the sacrifice and earnestness of respectable men. Are we to lose it because of the low instincts of the small band of the disreputable? Are we to let the uprooting of the work of thirty years go on, and if we fight at all, are we to fight with the scabbard instead of the sword? The pigeon-hearted people ought to go to bed and hide their heads under their pillows. If they are afraid of wounding the tender susceptibilities of the cheap-jacks who are busy kicking them, they should retire into a monastery, and pray for the millennium. At least they should wear sackcloth and ashes and reverently beg the quack advertisers of Toronto and Montreal to share with them a modicum of their humbug and hypocrisy. Conciliation with quackery is akin to truce with treason.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

SOME of our friends think that our method of dealing with quacks and quack imitators is too pugnacious. On the other hand, we think that their opinion, as well as whatever "method" they have, if they have any, is too pacific. Men who deliberately malign their better-educated and more skilful confreres, and who make lying to their patients an art; who even glory in the shame of seeing their names in printed falsehoods, are entitled to all the contempt they deserve. In the history of the profession it is well, too, that the stain they have brought upon it should be duly credited where it belongs. Do not imagine you hurt their "sensibilities" by treating them as professional tramps and outlaws. They glory in their disgrace.

Do the young men who forget or ignore their duty as ethical practitioners ever stop to think that the stain they attach to their professional character, will stick as well to their personal and social reputation? To make a few dollars more is poor compensation for the loss of self-respect