

friendship to the doctor mentioned that they want me to report on his character and ability. As I have no object in the world in doing a charity service to a company which has millions of money invested, and which pays its chief officials such enormous salaries, while it pays the doctors upon whom its success depends such wretchedly small ones, I try to do a service to my medical friend by telling all his good qualities. How can they expect any one to mention the other ones, when they treat us so dishonestly as to try to get something of great value from us for nothing? If they enclosed a fee I would feel that they were employing me temporarily to protect their interests. But acting as they do, I feel that the only interests that concern me in the matter are those of my friend. And I act entirely in his interests. Were it not that I fear to hurt him, I would send the letter back to them unanswered. I would be glad to hear whether your readers generally adopt this latter course, or whether they tell the companies what they think of their meanness.—Yours very truly,

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THE ANTITOXIN QUESTION.

To the Editor of DOMINION MEDICAL MONTHLY :

Dear Sir,—We gladly act on your suggestion of the 18th, addressed to our Walkerville house, and enclose herewith a statement, purposely made as terse and compact as possible, in refutation of the false and ridiculous rumors about the alleged "antitoxin trust," which have emanated from the "yellow press" of Chicago. Thanking you for the privilege, we remain, very truly yours

PARKE, DAVIS & Co.

Detroit, Mich., February 22nd, 1904.

We are aware that rumors of the formation of an Antitoxin Trust have occasioned more or less uneasiness among the medical profession of the Dominion during the past few weeks. We are, therefore, pleased to have this opportunity to lay before your readers a perfectly frank statement of the situation as it really is.

In the first place the manufacture of antitoxin involves a vast and expensive equipment, and has not proved as profitable as it is supposed to be. This is due principally to the fact that such large quantities, about 40 per cent., are returned at the ex-