

DR. SANGSTER'S REPLY TO THE EX-PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

EDITOR DOMINION MEDICAL MONTHLY :

SIR,—Clarence Thomas Campbell, the gifted ex-President of the Council, writes in the last issue of the *Journal* a short letter in self-vindication. He declares that he has not read any of the flattering things said of him. This seems incredible, but Dr. Campbell has a reputation for saying incredible things, and, perhaps, some people believe him. As he has not read the very complimentary terms in which I and several others have referred to his marvellous skill and nerve in making and administering high potency "moral attenuations," he is not, of course, bound to know that he has omitted all reference to the chief foible with which he is charged. This is unfortunate, as until he clears himself from the serious imputation which rests upon his veracity, his certificates of character, whether issued in behalf of himself or others, are not worth the ink with which they are written. It may be as he declares, that he has never skulked through a medical college or received his degree without full attendance on medical lectures. It may be as he avers, that he has never paid his creditors with judgments instead of money. It may be as he asserts, that he has never defrauded a man or wronged a woman. It may be that he is free from all the sins of the decalogue, but the profession does not particularly care whether he is or not. All this does not touch the question at issue. The particular moral delinquency with which he is specially charged, and which has earned for him the contempt of honest men and the scorn of virtuous women, is the pitiful weakness which won notoriety for Ananias and Sapphira of old. Until the accomplished ex-president shows that he can, on occasion, speak the truth, his self-attestation on all other

points can be accepted only *cum grano salis*. We have nothing whatever to do with him as a private individual, but when he says that as an officer of a corporate body—the Council—he has tried to do his duty as an *honest* man and a gentleman, we smile. His reputation with respect to honesty and truthfulness is widely known, and his letter is conclusive as to his claim to the status and instincts of a gentleman.

Many of the respectable homœopaths of the Province are naturally vexed at the cloud raised between them and the general profession by this cocky individual's meddlesome interference, and are understood to abhor the tactics he has pursued. It may be presumed, therefore, that as a step towards the restoration of good-feeling, they will, in the coming contest, leave him at home. He thus passes back into the obscurity from which he did but temporarily emerge. Not even as the champion "moral attenuator" of the Province will either the profession or the public care to remember him. *Exit* Clarence Thomas Campbell.

Yours, etc.,

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THE "YOUNG MEN" CRY IN ANOTHER FORM.

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SIR,—Dr. Sangster's opponent, in his personal canvass, has, I am informed, on several occasions made an attempt to prejudice the young men in the profession, in Division No. 12, by telling them that the aim of Dr. Sangster and his friends is to break up and destroy the Medical Act; that as a result the homœopaths will regain their licensing powers, and the country will be flooded with doctors. And now the Council's \$600 edi-

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