

DR. WELCH, of the *Monthly*, puts the busy profession to great strain in expecting its members to worry themselves over his spelling fad. It is not likely that he will revolutionize the orthography of the English language. When he reforms his fad, and stops this nonsense, we will begin to read his journal; but not until then. It is about as vile as bad oysters.

THE injury the departmental stores have done to legitimate business in Toronto and Montreal, illustrates the damage that can be done to legitimate practice by boasting and falsified advertising. But while the former method of doing business can be made to pay, and can even be conducted honestly, that of the "cheap" advertising dentist cannot be made to pay in the long run, and cannot possibly be conducted without deliberate fraud, falsehood and quackery. Our duty and interest is to make this apparent to the public.

IF public opinion once turns towards the classification of dentistry as a trade, rather than as a profession, all the legislation in the Provinces, and all the ethics of our Associations, will not easily turn it back. The gutter-dentists can be excused for their deliberate self-abasement; you may put a golden dish of summer fruit before a hog, but it will pass it by for the dirty trough of rotten corn; but do respectable practitioners see no better way to deal with public ignorance and professional baseness, than by imitation of the conduct they condemn?

IN the *Educational Review* (St. John, N.B.) we find a selection from the *Western Teacher* (U.S.), which goes to show that the proposal to introduce instruction to the pupils, about the care and value of the teeth, might be extended to the teachers. The pupils were instructed to copy sentences, "filling blanks properly":

1. A —— builds houses.
2. A —— cultivates soil.
3. A —— cures diseases.
4. A —— doctors horses.
5. An —— treats diseases.
6. A —— extracts teeth!

This is bad enough for the intelligence of the Quebec Legislature.