Selections.

Protests Against Dental Exhibitions.

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Inclosed I send you a Protest against Dental Exhibitions, in the form of a protest to the Committees of Public Exhibitions, to refuse the bestowal of prizes on any such objects. Will you authorize me to affix your name to it? If so, please sign the accompanying copy. The dentists in this city have unanimously agreed to sign it. I have sent a similar copy to every dentist in Upper and Lower Canada (whose name I could procure).

My project is to get every dentist in the two Provinces to sign the paper sent to him, and return it to me; whereupon, having collected the signatures of all those favorable to the project, I will then attach all the names that I am thus authorized to use to fresh copies of the petition, and return one to every signer, retaining the original signatures, so that should a committee at any time object to the petition on the ground that it was not original, the dentist presenting it could procure from me the original if required; to be returned again, however, in case it might in future be again called for by some other committee. Thus two or three, or I hope all the dentists in every city, town or village would have in his possession one of these copies. And any one of these dentists presenting his copy to the committee would be sufficient to prevent any future aspirents to the title of "First Prize Dentists" from obtaining their object. And even should there be any hesitation on the part of the committee, all the presenting dentists would have to do would be to call on all the other respectable dentists of his community to support the motion, for it is from among that class that I expect to enroll most of the supporters of this petition; and, sustained by them, it must have a powerful influence on this point with committees of exhibitions.

I would suggest that every dentist frame his copy, and hang it in his surgery, and it will grace his walls infinitely better than any First Prize Diploma would.

Before concluding, I would inform you that we have succeeded in preventing any prize being given to dentists at the coming exhibition in this city.

Hoping to hear from you as soon as possible,

I remain, your most obedient servant.