

WHOLESALE PILFERING.

The editor of the *Canada Lancet*, in his September No., announces the enlargement of his journal, and states:—
“ This we have been forced to do, owing to the amount of
“ pressure on our advertising space, and the increased
“ supply of original communications, many of which had to
“ be held over from month to month, for want of room.”
It will hardly be credited that the *Lancet* publishes in its original department of this same number, two papers from the pen of Dr. R. P. Howard, of this city, one which appeared in the December, 1872, No. of the *Canada Medical and Surgical Journal*, entitled, “ Some observations upon Scarlatinal pleurisy and upon Thoracentesis in that affection,” the other, entitled, “ Cases of Fibrous polypi and Fibrous tumors of the Uterus,” which was published in the July number of our periodical. These papers appear in the original department of the *Canada Lancet*, but credit is not given to the *Canada Medical and Surgical Journal*. Are we to infer that these articles were originally sent to the *Canada Lancet* and were among the “ increased supply of original communications ” which were obliged to remain neglected from month to month in the editor’s drawer? We sent a message through a mutual friend to the editor of the *Canada Lancet*, as we freely believed it to be an oversight and one which would be cheerfully rectified. Such, however, has not been done, and the *Canada Lancet* appears in its October No. without any notice of the wrong. While wishing the *Canada Lancet* every success in its undertaking, we would remind it that the good old proverb is still in existence—“ That honesty is the best policy.”

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