

every six hours till the bowel is patulous, the other treatment being continued.

This matter was discussed at the meeting of the Canadian Medical Association at Montreal in 1892, and Dr. Fenwick, of that city, whose experience and standing in the profession are second to few, spoke in favor of treatment on these lines, particularly the calomel. He considers it has a specific action in appendicitis, said he had treated his cases that way for forty years, had never needed to operate, and had never lost a case. If these somewhat disconnected remarks shall be of use to any of my confreres in dealing with these difficult conditions, my object in writing you will be fully attained.

Parkdale, March, 1897.

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Medical Council—Dr. Williams.

To the Editor of the CANADIAN MEDICAL REVIEW.

SIR,—In the April number of the REVIEW, Dr. Sangster proceeds "to elucidate his averment of (my) want of status as to truthfulness and honesty in public discussion." It is interesting to follow this elucidation. It is peculiarly Sangsterian. When you have read five or six pages of your journal, you are still left to wonder whither he is drifting. But this is only his introduction. Through it you notice his labored efforts to get his courage sufficiently up to make the grand charge. Finally it comes. The card that is to carry consternation to the heart of the enemy is drawn from his sleeve. But what a piece of flimsy paper! It may truly be said, "the mountain has been in labor, behold the mouse." To read this introduction, and to watch his various windings and contortions through the maze of words, forces again upon you, the remarks of Disraeli, "Intoxicated with the exuberance of his own verbosity." In passing through it, you notice some of his peculiarities. Among them his characteristic "Raciness." The freedom with which it flows from his pen demands your admiration. With what gracefulness "Turveydrop," "Peck-sniff," and "Oily Gammon," are added to his "Head Centre," "Inner Circle" and "Solid Phalanx," and to his "ductile," "recreant," and "subservient." A feeling of thankfulness creeps over you when you reflect that his exclamation, "How unfortunate it is that any grown man, . . . can still condescend, . . . to seek relief for his surcharged feelings by falling back upon the schoolboy trick of making