

to have been taken from one of the daily papers which put some such statement into my mouth, but corrected it next morning in its editorial news column. I was speaking at the moment of the application of the R. C. D. S. for membership in the National Association of Dental Faculties, and referring to the good work which the Association had done in raising the standard, extending the term to three years, and securing a matriculation examination, remarking, incidentally, "that until in recent years all that was necessary to *matriculate* was to sign your name and produce a \$5 note." I matriculated in that way myself, and nothing more was at that time required. So far from belittling the American colleges, I was really congratulating dentistry on a vast improvement on the past. While writing, I may be allowed to add, that while always ready to defend the R. C. D. S. against false statements or unfair criticism, I am far too sensible of the defects in our college—defects which I see no near prospect of being remedied—to launch out in any such wholesale laudation as that with which I am credited. I am very sorry such a manifestly false statement found a place in your columns, as it must do me much harm. I trust that any of your exchanges who may have referred to the matter will give me the benefit of this correction. I have no special ambition to be known as the libeller of the American colleges, of one of which I am a graduate.

I am, yours etc.,

Toronto, January 1st, 1891.

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Editorial.

Portrait and Life of Dr. W. D. Miller.

We feel sure our readers will be gratified at the literary and artistic treasure we have been enabled to give them this month, by the mutual kindness of Dr. Miller and Dr. Barrett. In acceding to our request for his photo, Dr. Miller explains how fully his time is occupied, but gives us a hope that this JOURNAL may expect an article from his pen. Dr. Barrett has added one more to the many valuable acts of generosity he has shown to his brethren in Canada, while this contribution will be of world-wide professional interest.