

their whole duty in supporting it as it deserves. The Journal should appeal to the patriotic pride of every dentist in Canada, irrespective of its merits, and it gives me pleasure to add with equal emphasis that its merits should force it into favor irrespective of patriotic pride. As an "ex-Canuck," I am proud that such a journal should be published in the Dominion, and I appeal to the good-will and generosity, the patriotism and the principle of every Canadian dentist, to support his home journal. If you do not quite like the nature of the articles published in it, I suggest that you write articles for it yourself. You are sure to be pleased with your own articles at least, and you will be encouraging the Editor.

I was surprised and pained to see by an editorial, "Fair play for this Journal," that a dental supply house in Canada is working against the Journal. I cannot understand such a spirit as that among Canadians. It is an attitude unworthy of honorable men, and is doubly deplorable when directed against a home enterprise. It is that very spirit of petty prejudice running through the whole of Canadian dentistry that has kept it where it is.

What has made the profession advance so much more rapidly in the States than in Canada? It would be well for the Dominion dentists to look to themselves for answer to this question. They have the same brains, the same ability, the same opportunity as their American brothers—but they lack the *liberality*. With them it is nothing but the almighty ME. They have not a generous thought for their brother practitioners or for the profession. They narrow their own impulses by nursing their own conceits, and they belittle the calling which they represent.

This is not meant to be an unkind arraignment of my brothers across the lines, for some of the best friends I have in the world are numbered among them. Nor is this request to support the DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL made by one who is in any way connected with it. In fact, it is made by one who is connected editorially with another journal, so that mercenary motives cannot be attributed to the plea.

But loving Canada as I do, and having at heart the success of Canadian institutions, I have been grieved to see a certain element striving to disparage what I believe to be a noble, self-sacrificing effort to elevate the profession in my native country.