

who kick just from pure "cussedness," and who are like the old Scotch elder, who, when asked why he sought to be elected on a committee, as he couldn't make a speech, replied, "Weel, I can object."

Fair Play for this Journal.

When the editor of this journal, in the enthusiasm and ignorance of professional hobbledohoyhood, ventured to become the founder of dental journalism in Canada, he never stopped to reflect that not only were there a multitude of rivals seeking subscribers, but that these rivals, without an exception, had the financial and business backing of dental depots. The result was that at the end of the first volume of the CANADA JOURNAL OF DENTAL SCIENCE, the writer had bought a lot of experience at a loss of about seven hundred dollars. Almost everybody to whom the Journal was regularly sent each month, kept it. But only seventy-six paid their subscriptions. This did not deter from future attempts; and when the last volume was finished—though the last two volumes were financially successful—the profession was in debt to the Journal in the nice little sum of twelve hundred dollars. No special attempt was made to collect this.

The DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL is published by a gentleman in Toronto who has both the capital and the experience to make it successful, but he does not propose to present it gratuitously to its readers. The many friendly and honorable men who promptly remit their subscriptions ought not to pay for the forgetful; and it is only fair to remind delinquents that this number completes two volumes, for which a good many have not yet paid a cent, and who have regularly received it.

One of our old friends in the depot business has a personal objection to this Journal, because he thinks a business rival is favored; but he must admit that he has equal access to the advertising pages, if he chooses to pay equal terms; and that neither directly nor indirectly has the Journal at any time shown the least favor, or even mentioned the name of the rival depot, excepting in common with other advertisers in the advertising pages. Complaints have repeatedly been sent to us that certain agents of Canadian depots have done their best to disparage this Journal; and several declarations have been made that they absolutely refused to receive