

the examinations, that Doctor would be no unbecoming or inappropriate title for the successful candidate to bear. As to morality or common manliness, all else is vain without these. Should a high degree of proficiency as a chief requisite be insufficient to limit the number of persons entering the profession, then some other means should be adopted. That there is an undue rush into the professions, is patent to all except those who are "rushing." Many of these men, if they knew what was before them, would remain outside of the professions. Persons before entering a profession should have some approximate notion of what lies before them. Colleges should discourage applicants rather than encourage them, thus becoming instrumental in averting much sorrow and disappointment. The great mass of the dentists of Ontario have not interested themselves in those matters which pertain to the general welfare of the profession and the public at large. Apathy is the handmaid of misgovernment and disaster. I for one must confess *peccavi* to the above charge. Now I am ready to despair. The conviction to me is irresistible, that we are on the wrong track. We haste to perpetuate the very evils existing in scores of other occupations. We build with one hand while we destroy with the other. There is a manifest want of organization. Every man does what to himself seemeth good. There is nothing to be gained by turning one's eyes from the evil, performing what has been called the "ostrich act." The issue must be looked squarely in the face, and a remedy must be found. I should like to see a general conference of the dentists of Ontario met, at some central point, and steps taken whereby the "true inwardness" of the whole dental situation in the Province might be made manifest.

Yours very truly,

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The twentieth session of the School of Dentistry of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario, Toronto, Ontario, was opened on October 2, in the presence of all the members of the Faculty and about one hundred registered students. The opening lecture was delivered by Prof. Primrose, who has joined the Faculty since the close of the last session, taking the place of Prof. Peters, who resigned. Prof. Primrose is an honor graduate in medicine from the University of Edinburgh. For several years he has been at the head of the Anatomical Department of the Faculty of Medicine in Toronto University. In the Dental College he takes the