

ONTARIO DENTAL ASSOCIATION.

To the Editor of DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL :

SIR,—At the last annual meeting of the Ontario Dental Association, it was decided to hold the meeting for 1896 at St. Catharines, on the 14th, 15th and 16th days of July; however, at a recent meeting of the Executive Committee, it was unanimously resolved to make a change in both place and time, namely, to Toronto, on the 1st and 2nd of October.

In view of the fact that the new Dental College at Toronto will be formally opened on the afternoon of Wednesday, 30th September, it has been deemed wise to postpone the annual meeting till the two days following the opening; hoping, thereby, to utilize the outside talent to be secured for that occasion, and thus render our next meeting the most successful in the history of our association.

The Executive is sparing no pains in the effort to ensure an exceptional programme bearing on the burning questions of the day, which should be appreciated by every member of the profession in the Province.

We desire to draw attention particularly to the association meeting, but there is no doubt but that the opening exercises will amply repay the slight inconvenience in being present, as the board of directors is on the alert to make it a brilliant success.

Notices and programmes, with full particulars of the meeting, will be forwarded in due time to the members of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons.

Belleville, May 4th, 1896.

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IS THE PROFESSION OVERCROWDED ?

To the Editor of DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL :

SIR,—One who doubts it, should find an answer in the lowness of our fees, and the wretched competition which is driving so many dentists to place themselves on a level with hair-dressers, abandoning the professional privacy of quiet offices for trade-attracting publicity. I do not know what will be the next feature introduced. These men run the lodges, the churches, the clubs, and every possible avenue to pull in business. They resort to the commonest commercial and trade tricks. They "improve" their methods of getting business, but they do not improve themselves, or add anything to our literature or our conventions—and they are deeply envious of those who do—and they carefully keep away from dental meetings, for fear that they might more fully expose their ignorance.