The last number of this delectably unreliable journal presents to its readers an editorial under the heading "Touching a Tender Cord.—Truth is not Libel," and then proceeds to cram as many falsehoods into the article as the space occupied by it could hold.

The editor, C. D. Smith, is getting more cautious in that, before publishing a letter, he makes an affidavit that it was received by him, but he takes care not to swear that it was written or composed by his alleged

correspondent!

Having heard a good deal about this matter of the Halifax Steam Ferry Tokens I desire to say that I am always ready to maintain the position and standing as a collector, which I have had since 1859, and as a dealer during the last fifteen years, in both of which capacities I am favorably known throughout the world. I will spare no effort in this matter to prove beyond question the genuine character of all the Halifax Steam Ferry Company's Tokens that I have ever offered or disposed of, whether used, or brilliant uncirculated.

In furtherance of this object I submit to you the accompanying docu-

ments and request you to publish them.

We shall now see whether C. E. Fraser, M. D., (?) is the honorable man that his organ tries to make him out to be.

Thanking you for the space that I have taken up with this affair,

I remain,

Respectfully yours,

HENRY HECHLER.

## No. I.

## Affidavit of Charles Munro.

I Charles F. Munro, of Dartmouth, in the County of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia, Ticket Agent for the Halifax and Dartmouth Steam Ferry Company, do hereby sclemnly declare that the ferry tokens obtained from me by Henry Hechler of Halifax, on or about the tenth day of December, A. D. 1886 and in the month of January, A. D. 1888 were and are genuine original ferry tokens issued by the old steamboat company. They were all given to me by the former agent of the company from the original stock remaining on hand when the affairs of the late company were wound up or in process of transfer to the present company.

I have been in the employ of the said companies—old and new—for upwards of

fourteen years.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientously believing it to be true and by virtue of the Act of the Parliament of Canada for the suppression of voluntary and extra-judicial oaths.

Solemnly declared before me by the said Charles F. Munro to be just and true, on the seventh day of August, A. D. 1888. (Signed) Benjamin Russell, J. P. and Stipendiary Magistrate, Town of Dartmouth.

(Signed) Charles F. Munro.