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WE have received, and it was with pain that we read, Dr. Hall's circular announcing the discontinuance of his Journal. Our sympathy is indeed keenly aroused by the disclosure which he makes; but we sincerely hope that his appeal to the justice of those who have benefitted by his labours, will be met by such a prompt and satisfactory reply, as will relieve him from the heavy pecuniary responsibility under which he is placed on account of his enterprise.

No one can fail to admire the energy and hopeful courage which he has displayed, in continuing the publication for so long a period in the face of such difficulties; and a knowledge of the circumstances now revealed, must satisfy every one of the disinterested zeal evinced by him for the welfare and character of the profession, in carrying on so immunerative and hazardous an undertaking. We hope to see him yet again in the field of literary labour, of which he verily has been in Canada a faithful pioneer, with renewed vigour and under better auspices.

In his editorial capacity he certainly exhibited no very favourable feeling towards us as fellow labourers in the same vineyard, and a sense of what was due to ourselves, induced us to meet some ungracious strictures contained in his last number with a spirit of severity and firmness; but all this we forget, in the present fear that we shall lose his co-operation in the higher objects of our mutual regard—the advancement of the profession, and the welfare of its members. We consider this tribute justly due to the ability and perseverance with which he has conducted the publication, and we cheerfully render it.

We would suggest that some substantial testimonial from his professional brethren throughout the province is deserved by him, and would be equally creditable to them, and we shall be ready to lend our aid in accomplishing such an object.

Since writing the above, we have received the first number of the "*Canada Medical Journal*," edited by Drs. McDonnell and David. Under such able management it must surely succeed. We shall be happy to exchange. We are glad to find our contemporaries confirming our judgment and taste, by adopting the same "physique."

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