

gentleman who has informed me of those facts was not quite so green as Dr. S. supposed him to be, and upon Dr. Smyser's request, by *letter*, to take the final \$100 course, he flatly refused the invitation, and demanded his State Board license, which finally was given him to keep him quiet.

COPY OF DR. SMYSER'S LETTER SENT TO DR. XX.

March 28th, 1898.

DEAR SIR,—Your examination papers submitted to the meeting of the State Board of Dent. Ex., March 12th, 1898, will entitle you to the license to practise dentistry in the State of Illinois as soon as you pass the final examination in the German-American Dental College.

DR. L. A. SMYSER,
Secretary of the State Board.

LETTER FROM DR. H. W. PITNER.

FAIRFIELD, ILL., May 29th, 1899.

PAUL. STEINBERG, D.D.S., Chicago, Ill.:

DEAR DOCTOR,—Your remarkable letter at hand, and in reply will say this is not the first letter of similar import, but as yours seems to be open and manly, it shall receive my notice.

You make some very damaging assertions, which I hope are not sustained by the facts, yet as an honest man I cannot let such specific charges against a Board, of which I am a member, pass by unnoticed. Now, my dear Doctor, if you have any grievances, I will listen to what you have to say. You, or any reputable dentist in Illinois, are at liberty to examine any or all of my papers. I have saved them all. I fear no investigation of my official acts. I have not looked over the papers of the last examination. *No one saw them* until the morning of the examination. I would be pleased to have you come to Fairfield, and bring with you some other prominent dentist, and make the investigation you desire. If your charges are correct, I want to know it. I want you to send or bring German journals with ads. in them.

I am not in touch with the Secretary of the Board. As that gentleman ignores my letters, I never know who passes the Board, or who does not. The Secretary has not, as yet, made a report to the Board. I think he absorbs all the money collected, as I have not received one dollar for my services up to the present moment, and have given all time and expenses out of my own pocket, and I think it is the same way with the other members except the Secretary. I have understood he has been trying to raise revenue by