

of professional skill which cannot be equally as well accomplished in Canada as elsewhere. Quibble as some gentlemen may, the question of fees has a great deal, if not everything, to do with this. We have all at times given our very best professional services at a financial loss ; but it is not the nature either of honesty or justice to do this forever. There are casuists, like the landlord, and the "butcher, baker and milkman," who would not sympathize with such sentiment.

Any one at all familiar with the contributions of so many of our Canadian dentists to this Journal and its predecessor, must admit that we have done fairly well. If we have not been favored with highly scientific articles it must be remembered that we are a young profession. The politics of dentistry has, too, necessarily engaged a great deal of energy. As the only local medium of professional communication, the Journal has had to exist upon the material supplied it, and one object has been, not to make it a specimen of scissoring from its contemporaries, as to encourage original matter and society proceedings in our own Dominion. If it has not been phenomenally successful in this respect our good friends will know whom to blame. Nobody but the captious critics who never do much, if anything, themselves, could reasonably cast blame upon the publisher or editors.

EDITORIAL NOTE.

THE article by Dr. Lodge on another page puts the arguments against advertising in plain language. It is unlikely that a local press which profits handsomely by quack advertisements would reproduce it ; but it is worth reprinting for distribution among the class of patients who are caught by the trickeries of the sensational advertiser. In this way every dentist who cares to do so, could "educate" the public without any self-advertisement.