

operators. As there were no marks on them to enable one to know who did the work, no one could feel hurt at just criticism. The greatest mistake made by many is in articulating (they do not articulate, so should not be called articulations), the setting the teeth so they only touch the buccal cusps, and do not furnish any grinding surface. The set the Doctor showed, where he turned the second bicuspid and molars inside out in order to articulate with plaster lower molars and bicuspid, indicated the idea very plainly; others, using gum teeth especially in order to keep within line, sacrificed the articulation for sake of the looks. Dr. Robinson does not approve of that unless in case of the eight front teeth, including the first bicuspid with the six anterior teeth. You must care more for adaptability back of them. He advocates the throwing away of the cuspid and using the second bicuspid in their place when patient has but few lower teeth, and in setting up an upper set. Many a good-looking articulation set up on an ordinary articulator showed pronounced defects when shifted to an articulator having the lateral and forward and back motion, as is made in chewing. As soon as articulator was used by depressing the springs, the teeth would fall like hail (being mounted in wax or gutta-percha only). Some under teeth were so set in from the arch that if made up in actual practice the tongue would lift the plate every time used. While some were set up somewhat in conformity to Dr. Robinson's method, others were directly the opposite.

As to the articulators, the one the Doctor calls his own has several points to recommend it, and he was asked by many as to when they could get one like it. It was to be regretted it was not completed, so it could be shown up to better advantage. The Gritman was considered too heavy, and as nothing is stronger than its weakest part, so, too, with this articulator; its weakest place is in the joints, and as it springs there, there is no necessity of making the rest so heavy. It will also break off plaster cusps, as it is not constructed rightly to raise the upper model a trifle. The Bonwell, as handled by the C. D. M. Co. and the S. S. W. Co., are defective in several ways, as mentioned in the Doctor's paper. The Bonwell, as made by Dr. Robinson, corrects many of those objections. Nothing is to be said for those similar to the ordinary articulators in use for years, only a word of advice to those using them: DON'T. And as to those like the Antes and the Bridge, which have the lateral and forward and back movements, but lack the requisite width of bearings, there can be but little to say, except to advise the makers to make them wider, similar to those first mentioned.