

Bannister ; an automatic mallet, by I. A. Salmon ; hand pressure and mallet pluggers, by S. C. Taylor ; an improved regulator for controlling the heat in making nitrous oxide gas, by F. Searle ; an automatic apparatus for the same purpose, by A. W. Sprague ; an improved pin for artificial teeth, by J. A. Mason ; pluggers, excavators, nerve instruments, &c., of improved patterns, by S. S. White ; extension bracket, with gas annealing lamp combined, by Buffalo Dental Manufacturing Company ; a compressor for closing flasks inside the vulcanizer, by G. Hays ; a porous duct compressor, by A. P. Southwick.

A few minutes were allowed Dr. McClelland, which he used in stating the good qualities of his base for teeth ; he threw a number of pieces to the ceiling, and about the room, to demonstrate their strength.

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## EDITORIAL.

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### THE DENTAL ASSOCIATION OF QUEBEC.

It will gratify the friends of the Dental movement in the Upper Province, and, indeed, all who approve of the efforts made to elevate and advance our specialty, to learn that the acorn of progress sown in Ontario has sprouted a stem in Quebec, and that we now have two Dental Associations in the Dominion.

The results of legislation in Ontario have been placed before every dentist in Quebec, through the columns of this journal, and it was becoming a reproach that the Province which gave birth to the first dental periodical in Canada, could not organize an Association. The local circumstances, however, of the profession in the two Provinces differ somewhat, and the necessity for an organization in Quebec seemed less absolute than in Ontario. The smallness of our numbers in this Province, and the more limited scope for practice, could not as soon necessitate the associative principle, or develop the same necessity for legislation as in Ontario, where the members of the profession, having a larger field for labour, are more numerous. The raids of empiricism, and the issues of ignorance, have been far more extensive, too, in the Upper Province, and the general condition of things there was more favourable to organization.

Recently, however, the indications have been, that association and incorporation in Quebec are an exigency of the times, and a movement