

cent. solution of cocaine into and about the tumor, I completed the operation in twenty minutes, the patient showing not the slightest effect of the cocaine. She expressed her astonishment at the virtue of the antidote. Another phase of the toxic effect of cocaine, and the quick action of volasem, was recorded in my discussion of Dr. Foster's paper on cocaine poisoning, published in the *Cosmos* for November, 1898. The patient was brought to me by his dentist, on the eve of my summer vacation in 1898. As the case was urgent, I concluded to operate with the doctor's assistance. I prepared the volasem, but forgot to give it. I injected half a drachm of a saturated solution of cocaine. Within a few seconds the patient complained of a peculiar sensation pervading his entire body and a tingling in the extremities. He became unconscious and was soon fighting like a demon. It was with great effort we prevented his doing us bodily harm, when suddenly toxic convulsions occurred. I turned to give him more volasem, when I discovered I had not given him any. Prying open his mouth I poured the ten-drop dose down his throat. After the lapse of a minute the muscular rigidity relaxed, and within another minute restoration was complete. The patient stated he had no knowledge of what had happened. I finished the operation, and within an hour he went to his home, apparently none the worse for his experience.

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THE NATIONALIZATION OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS IN DENTISTRY.*

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The young college graduate looking for a field in which to practice his profession is at once made conscious of the existing barriers to his entrance into this Province or that territory, this State or that country as a practitioner, and if he inquires and examines he must soon become aware of the ludicrousness of those barriers in their multiplicity and diversity.

In my own case, after examining the situation I came to the conclusion that either in a country like the United States or a country like Canada the existing state of affairs was wrong and that those inter-provincial or inter-state barriers should not exist. This idea has remained with me and has steadily grown through the dozen years that have intervened, and now finds its first fruit, if fruit it be, in this paper I present to you to-day, entitled, "The Nationalization of Professional Standards in Dentistry."

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