

OCCASIONAL DEFECTS OF DISEASED TEETH.

It may appear strange to most persons, to hear it asserted, that any condition of the teeth may contribute to the production of fatal diseases which occasion nearly one half of the deaths recorded in the bills of mortality. When disorders have become so common, we are compelled to suspect a cause of their production, even in our pleasures and necessary enjoyments. It is, however, more rational to place its prevalence to the account of irregularity and neglect. And I shall endeavor to ascertain, whether it may not be considered as one of the miserable consequences of bad teeth, which admits of no excuse in a place where Dentists reside.