

Necrosis or destruction of the bone of the jaw sometimes attends the advanced stages of decay. Other afflictions might be mentioned as originating directly, or indirectly from the teeth.

But enough has already been said to admonish the reader, that there is no safety while retaining such teeth in the mouth.

Tears, regret, and sorrow may come too late, when a little timely attention would have averted such sad and distressing results.

#### IRREGULARITY OF THE TEETH.

There is nothing that mars the appearance of a person more than great deformity of the jaws, and nothing that is noticed quicker; for upon being presented to a stranger the first thing that he will notice are the lips, mouth, and teeth, and from these observations he forms his first opinion of his guest. From the mouth the most expression is given, as regards character, and even though deformed teeth are no fault of the young person, they receive no sympathy from the beholder, and gain no commiseration from him. But on the other hand, present a person with a fine set of teeth, and they being well cleaned every one will admire them, no matter whether the form is all grace or not. Take a young lady whom nature has endowed with a beautiful form, and if her teeth are irregular or gone, the greatest ornament of human nature is gone.

This deformity may be prevented in a manner which I explained when speaking of the temporary teeth. Irregularity of the teeth may be remedied by proper treatment, and