

called on one of the leading dentists, who, after examining it, advised the *removal* of the tooth; not wishing to lose it, she decided to wait until she returned to her dentist—asking what the fee for advice was, paid the sum named—five dollars. Thinking it possible the doctor did not care to devote the time necessary to treating and filling, she called on *two others* of the profession, and with the *same result* in each, having paid in all *three guineas* for *advice* to have the tooth removed. It is evident from this that those of the profession have *agreed* upon one thing, that *time* and *advice* must be *paid for*—and why not! Call on an oculist for advice in reference to the eye, his fee is five dollars; also the oralist, or general practitioner, who examines the lungs, why should they work for charity? Ask your attorney's advice on any matter, and see what his fee will be. Simply the *know how* should be paid for; five minutes' or half-an-hour's examination may be worth more than gold can pay for to a patient, when a correct knowledge of the case is diagnosed and relief afforded. Some have said, Oh! the *time* given by the dentist was only a *few moments*; but that few moments may mean years to the sufferer of pain and anguish. To *know* what advice to give and to *give it* promptly is the mission of the *specialist*, and for *such should be paid*. Some years ago a certain physician performed an operation for a colored gentleman successfully, the physician's assistant was also a colored man, who meeting some weeks after the patient who was expressing gratitude for the skilful performance of the case, remarked as follows: "Say, Sam, the work was well done, but your massa charged a big fee, *fifty dollars* for so *short a time's* work." "Shaw! Jumbo," says Sam, "you no understand, it was not *the time* massa charged for, it *was the know how*." And if as specialists why should we not be paid for the *know how*?

Atmospheric Pressure *vs.* Adhesion.

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In placing before the readers of the DENTAL JOURNAL adhesion as best explaining the retaining force of artificial teeth, it occurred to me that peculiarities met with in daily practice could be illustrated by the conditions of adhesion as exhibited by two wet pieces of glass in contact, so much so, that it furnished evidence