

Elliot, whose remarkable genius as an inventor, and whose skill as an operator made him a peer with any. I remember one mouth in which his skill was displayed with smooth points and 'Abbeys' soft gold; when as good contour work was done as is done to-day. You will also find in journals, away back in the 'forties,' articles from his pen that prove his ability in theory. He left Montreal in '56 to engage in invention, and his name is not infrequent in the Patent Office at Washington. Time will not permit me to enlarge upon all those earnest and faithful ones, but I cannot close without a word in praise of Jourdain the 'neat,' a gentleman of the ancient sort, gentle and kind, whose office, workroom and person were as a lady's *boudoir*. With such noble examples as pioneers, may not those now on guard look to you who are present, and to all who are in or are about to enter the profession, to be true men, worthy of such examples and the heritage left us? May I not call upon you to take higher ground and more advanced position than they or we have? Consider that it is within my time that Dental Depots originated. Those older dentists will tell you how they had to make many of their own instruments and supplies. Now, a post-card sent and in a few hours all the needs and fancies of the most exacting dentist are within his hands. Then, 'close communion' was the rule, and if one did not keep his talent in a napkin, he took pains that he alone got the increase. And so, Mr. President and gentlemen, standing on the outer line, and through experience on a higher plane, I look upon a broader expanse and see a future for the profession of Dentistry in the city and Province, pregnant with a richer and more abundant fruitage for conscientious toilers for the best thought and deed. See to it that your sons can rise up in the days to come and give you praise. Let there be no going back, but ever forward, emulating in professional, public and private life the noblest qualities of our predecessors. Wishing you all a larger prosperity and an abundant field of usefulness, I thank you for your patience."

Songs were contributed by Messrs. Bourdon, Bazin and Franchere, and the meeting closed with "Auld Lang Syne" in English and French, and "God Save the Queen."

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### Connecticut Valley Dental Society.

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The twenty-seventh annual meeting was held in Holyoke, Mass., on the 10th, 11th and 12th of last month, and was not only large but lively. Dr. E. S. Gaylord in the chair, and his active officers in attendance. After the usual routine business, on Wednesday evening, some objections were made to the advertised clinics of Dr. C. H. Land, and a resolution passed to withdraw the countenance