

bracket. It is made adjustable, so that the light may be thrown directly upon the part and from either side; thus, while supplying the oral cavity with sufficient illumination, it is completely clear of the movements of the forceps or other instruments.

The lamp-holder is made somewhat after the manner of a naval search light, on a small scale, there being a conical reflector at the back. This lamp does not go inside the mouth, but throws a shaft of brilliant light instead. I have also a small lamp arranged to go inside the mouth, but have not found it nearly so satisfactory. Its chief drawback is heating, while its bulk is undesirable. I am aware that mouth lamps are manufactured and sold, and therefore do not claim any originality except in matters of detail. When electrical power is available, I would suggest that no dental office is fully equipped, both for the comfort of the operator and the welfare of the patient, if the practitioner does not, as far as possible, use the advantages offered by electricity as a motive and illuminating power.

With reference to its use for annealing and other heating purposes, excepting cautery, which I shall mention later on, I do not see wherein it is greatly superior to alcohol. It may be that I have not seen the latest appliances for these purposes, but so far the alcohol lamp seems to be the best up to date for annealing, as is the hot-air syringe, or kindred appliance, the best for drying purposes.

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### PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

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#### *An Act respecting the practice of Dentistry and Dental Surgery.*

[Assented to 15th July, 1891.]

Whereas it is desirable to regulate the practice of dentistry in the Province of Prince Edward Island.

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Council and Assembly as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as "The Prince Edward Island Dental Act."
2. That no person shall practise the profession of dentistry or dental surgery in the Province of Prince Edward Island without having first received a certificate as hereinafter provided, entitling him to practise dentistry or dental surgery.