

That expenses for travelling and hotel to obtain or prevent legislation must be incurred is beyond dispute, but the staggering amount of \$927.00 in so small a time is fatal to our upbuilding. I leave this report in your hands.

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Q.—Do we understand you that you deem it necessary that the band shall hold to the root tightly all round?

A.—I think when we have done our very best, we will still fall short of the ideal. There has been a great deal of carelessness in the fitting of bands; and more in preparing the root. You can see that while this band fits sufficiently well to show what I mean, it would be possible to draw that in here and fit so it would be almost impossible to pull it off. With the pin combined, it presses on all sides. A great many depend more on the pin. Just a flat cap can be put on, and you might preferably allow it to go over here at this point, or better, upon the lingual and that would save some of the strain in biting. Crowns are put on with very little attachment, but it makes a stronger piece of work to band the root as I have described. A "Richmond" crown is, to my mind, the ideal porcelain crown for bridge work. I will endeavor to show you how to form corundum wheels, if I have an engine and some one to tread it; I will endeavor to show how they can be gotten into shape so that you can more readily grind the portion under the free margin and even extend the crown under the free margin of the gum. With proper scalers the remaining portions of enamel on the root can be scaled off and the root shaped about as this one is.

Q.—In the preparation of a root which is not so well preserved as that one is supposed to be, for instance, where the tooth is broken away or badly decayed below the margin of the gum, how would you prepare such a root as that for the crown you describe?

A.—There is a difficulty; I see it. I have no special way of overcoming such difficulties; but I had a case where a young man fell on the frozen ground while practising for football, and broke the two central incisors; slivered them away up on the lingual side, and they broke away up under the gum on a slant about one-quarter the length of the root. I took a round corundum wheel and ground off the ragged portions of the stumps, packed in gutta percha and then, next day, with a screw, putting on a washer under the head of the screw, and forced the gum back. By leaving it two or three days, I exposed the root sufficiently to grind and shape it.