

Dental Association with a transfer; the Dental Society of the State of New York; the Fifth District Dental Society; the New York Odontological Society, etc. To dental periodicals, to dental societies, and to his own persistent application he owes the stimulus he received to original thought. In 1869 he received his Diploma Degree of M.D.S., Master of Dental Surgery, from the Dental Society of the State of New York. The doctor is one of the leading types of a class of indomitable men in our ranks who "broke the force of circumstance," and accomplished for himself more than any college curriculum could have done for him. He was honored in the profession by his colleagues by appointment on the State Board of Censors, which office he held for twenty-three years, until the change in the State law; was transferred to the State Board of Dental Examiners, representing New York State Dental Society under the Regents of the University of the State of New York, which appointment he still occupies. We shall let him speak for himself on another page, but his career is an object lesson of pluck and perseverance which no living student can ever again fully imitate.

GINGIVITIS AND ITS RELATION TO CROWN WORK.

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Some months ago the *Ohio Dental Journal* contained an article under the above heading, which was credited to H. J. Goslee, *Dental Review*.

I have selected this subject for the DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL for two reasons. 1st. The article sets forth the most concise observations, conditions and facts relating to gingivitis that have come to my notice. I quote another's statement rather than give conditions and effects from my own knowledge.

The principles involved in gingivitis are in the line of study (oral electricity) which I have pursued for thirty years. With few exceptions authority seems to class the outcome as a theory, without a scientific foundation. This, however, does not annoy; in fact, sufficient of the so-called theory has been incorporated in practice to give assurance that the profession has not been degraded by departure from established belief.

2nd. The DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL has been selected as a compromise between what is said of English and American dentistry. The former is said to be most scientific, the latter most practical.