

or just to enter into minute details, but to ascertain to what extent general principles are possessed, upon which correct practice must be based.

WHEN TO EXTRACT TEETH.—DR. I. Williams thinks there are, perhaps, but three cases in which he cheerfully and willingly extracted teeth. One was in extreme old age, where the processes are absorbed away and the teeth have become loose, causing irritation. Another was in the case of temporary teeth, where the permanent ones are making their appearance, and the third in cases where the teeth are very much crowded, and it is absolutely necessary to take out one on each side to give them room.

He would not be understood that he would not extract teeth in other cases. In such cases as had been referred to, where, perhaps, all the teeth in the mouth are decayed, and where the patient is absolutely too poor to give the time and attention to them, he might, in some such cases, with reluctance extract them, but with him, cases with such indications were very few. He was pleased with a remark he had seen in the REGISTER some time ago, with regard to saving even the roots of teeth. He had thought upon it much since that, and from what he had seen he was satisfied that even the roots of the teeth should be much valued. He had seen a root filled with gold twenty-five years ago, and it was still performing the part of a tooth well, even though it was but a root, and the processes had become firm and the root used as a tooth, had become to look like a tooth. He was in favor of saving the roots and all the teeth that could be saved.—*Dental Register*.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.—The storm of professional wrath has been too much for the Regents of the Michigan University. The Supreme Court of that State has decided that the attempt to establish the homeopathic department at some other place than Ann Arbor, does not fill the intention of the Legislative enactment, whereby the University was to receive pecuniary aid, on condition of establishing this Chair. The Regents have, therefore finally receded from their action in the matter, and decline to accept the benefaction upon the conditions provided. It remains to be seen how far this agitation will affect the reputation and classes of the medical department.—*Cincinnati Lancet and Observer*.

DENTAL PUNS.—To what town in Poland should you go to have a tooth extracted? Ans.—Pultusk. When do your teeth usurp the functions of the tongue? Ans. When they are chattering.