

state of our profession? We were much struck with the magnificent display in Dr. White's, and the other depots, and would urge our Canadian confreres to invest in the new pluggers, excavators, &c., now in the market. The investment will pay in pleasure to operator and patient, the satisfaction of using a good article, and better opportunity to do superior work. If we want to excel, we must have good instruments, Dr. Franklin to the contrary, notwithstanding.

PROCEEDINGS OF SOCIETIES.

THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION.

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The report of the Executive Committee was then presented and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution was taken from the table, and the report was adopted without even a reading of it.

Dr. Truman's resolution on the right of female dentists to membership was indefinitely postponed, because the Association had no right to make recommendations to local societies.

Dr. Buckingham gave notice of an amendment to the Constitution, to be acted upon next year, providing that no person who holds a dental patent, or is pecuniarily interested therein, shall be a member of the Association.

Dr. W. H. Shadon offered a resolution donating the amount of back dues, from 1865 to 1869, to thirty-three members, who were reported by him to be in arrears, each to the amount of \$23. The resolution passed after an animated debate.

The Committee on Ethics reported, through Dr. Shepard, that they had had brought before them charges against Dr. J. A. McClelland, of Louisville, for violating Article II., Section 3, of the Code of Ethics, by placarding large advertisements on the street cars of Louisville, and by unprofessional advertisements in the papers, which were read; they therefore offered the following resolution: "That J. A. McClelland, of Louisville, be expelled from this Association."

They also reported that they found upon the records of the Association charges against Dr. C. P. Fitch, of New York, for violation of the same clause of the Code of Ethics; but they did not feel