

Dr. Coleman said he was rather forced into purchasing the Folsom patent.

A desultory conversation followed, in which most of the members took part. The discussions on mechanical dentistry were not taken up with the same zest as in the preceding subjects, there being a good deal of feeling on the subject of dental patents.

Dr. B. T. Whitney, of Buffalo, was called upon for an essay on "Diseases of the Gums." The Doctor excused himself on the ground of sickness, but made a brief address on the subject, giving some very interesting accounts of cases that came under his notice, and his mode of practice.

The following named gentlemen were selected as essayists for the next meeting, to be held on the first Tuesday in October ;

Dr. W. C. Barrett—subject "Gold for Dental purposes and its Preparations."

Dr. Coleman—"Secondary Syphilis, its Effect upon the Teeth and Bones."

Dr. B. T. Whitney—"Anæsthesia, its Effect upon the Blood."

Dr. L. D. Walter—"Continuous Gum Work."

Dr. G. C. Daboll—"Filling Over Exposed Pulps—How to do it successfully."

Buffalo was chosen as the place to hold the next semi-annual meeting.

On motion of Dr. Whitney, the Western New York Dental Association was declared adjourned *sine die*.

It is proposed now to have the seventh and eighth judicial districts convene semi-annually, either in one or the other of the two districts, say in Buffalo or Rochester, which will answer the same purpose as the W. N. Y. D. A., and save the time and expense of attending the extra Convention.

NOTES FROM PROCEEDINGS OF THE OHIO STATE DENTAL SOCIETY.

STOPPING THE FLOW OF SALIVA WHILE FILLING.

DR. SPELLMAN : I am constantly using the rubber dam, but it is often very annoying. Sometimes I am on the eve of giving it up, because it slips off when I get it placed. When the rubber dam is properly adjusted, you can draw the mouth up as you wish, and go into the reception