

Varnish for cavities—

Gum benzoin.....	} Equal parts.
Canada balsam	
Dissolved in chloroform pretty thin.	

This varnish is useful to overcome shock from thermal change in cavities, may be used under oxychloride to avoid pain. Will also assist in retaining first blocks of gold in inserting a filling, or will retain gutta percha.

The best solvent for arsenic is glycerine.

It is a good idea to take impressions of typical cases of natural teeth to make models, and in setting up artificial teeth work to these models.

To avoid separated teeth coming together before the cavities are filled, attach to your ligatures a loop of piano wire at such tension that the teeth are held apart until fillings are finished.

The Toronto Dental Society, at the regular November meeting, elected for the next twelve months the following officers: Honorary President, Dr. G. S. Martin; President, Dr. H. E. Eaton; Treasurer, Dr. A. J. Husband; Secretary, Dr. G. Adams Swann. Committee on Membership and Ethics: Drs. Harold Clark, F. D. Price, J. J. Loftus. Programme Committee: Drs. W. E. Willmott, A. J. McDonagh, W. C. Trotter.

Reviews.

Illinois State Dental Society Transactions. Thirty-second annual meeting held at Springfield, Ill., May, 1895. Publication Committee, Drs. LOUIS OTTOFY, A. W. HARLAN, E. NOYES. The *Dental Review.* H. D. Justi & Son, 1896.

The Society is getting old, but its proceedings are ever new. Even their practical papers have a rich flavor of the prairie.

A Chord From a Violin. By WINIFRED AGNES HALDANE, Chicago: Laird & Lee, Publishers.

A charming brochure, a well-told story, by a young Canadian-born lady only seventeen years old, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Douthart, Chicago. It has been remarked as a curious coincidence—that the tale reminds one of the famous story, “The First Violin,” which was written by Jessie Fothergill, when she, too, was but seventeen years old. As the work of so young a lady, it shows promise of future success.