

many inconveniences on account of the saliva, rendering work very tedious, and in many cases the work would not be finished properly. Sub-marine gold does away with these annoyances. Dr. Herbst recommends to dip the pellet of gold to be used in water so as to make its introduction more easy, rendering the filling more dense. "I will make a personal remark," says Dr. Heide; "this way of filling resemble very much to the plugging of soft gold with pointed pluggers; but the finishing is done with burnishers applied on dental engine, then finished with corundum wheels. Dr. Herbst says that it is quite easy to add sub-marine gold to any fillings that are defective. The interesting point in this method, which is about the same as others in the way of filling with gold, is this: The peculiar quality of this gold, the limited number of instruments used for inserting a filling, is certainly a credit to Dr. Herbst, the eminent practitioner that every one has heard of.—M. R. HEIDE, *L'Odontalgie*.

GOOD ADVICE.—Very often a tooth, after being filled with gold or platinum, will be sensitive to hot or cold, even if a layer of cement has been put between filling and tooth, acting as a non-conductor. We know that this uneasiness will subdue in a short time. But the patient will sometime not understand this occurrence, and will every time that he presents himself to you, grumble, even to tell you that the work is not properly done, and wants you to do it over. To avoid all these inconveniences, I have managed to isolate in such a way the filling by covering it with a drop of collodion. By the evaporation of the ether the collodion forms a coating quite adherent, water-proof, will stand mastication for some time, and resist to saliva that would be acid. Its application is easily done by using a pointed piece of wood. The patient can apply himself once or twice a day and will have relief very shortly. I had a radical cure within eight to fifteen days, to the great satisfaction of the patient and operator. It's worth trying, for I had good success.—W. E. CHAPALAT, *Le Progrès Dentaire*.

FROM THE DENTIST OFFICE TO THE POLICE STATION.—A patient having a tooth extracted and then arrested by a police officer, is something of rare occurrence, such as happened to a brave habitant of Melbourne. He went to a dentist who injected a few drops of cocaine into the gums. The operation went on successfully, but hardly had he left the office of the practitioner when a nervous excitation seized upon the patient, and without any reason led him to the palace of the Governor, with the intention, as he shouted out, "To die in his arms." With great difficulty he was taken to the police headquarters and kept for a few hours until his mind was in a normal state, when he was dismissed after having given an explanation.