

"Thanks all the Same."

We have to thank the S. S. White Co. for advanced sheets of the report of the National Association of Dental Examiners, and the National Association of Dental Faculties. Unfortunately they were sent to the wrong address, and we did not receive them until all our contemporaries had published them.

The Chain Complete.

Little Prince Edward Island holds out its hand from the Atlantic, in this issue, to British Columbia on the Pacific. Our Canadian chain of dental incorporation is complete. There are matters that might be greatly improved in all our Provincial Dental Acts, but, as the old saying goes, "half a loaf is better than no bread."

Code of Ethics—Article II., Section 3.

The editor of the *Advertiser* gently raps our knuckles for our remarks in our last issue on the above subject. Perhaps it would have been better had we said nothing or said more, as our good friend quite misunderstands the position we assumed. We are utterly opposed to such associations as the Goodyear Dental Vulcanite Co. and the International Tooth Co. Our object was to plead for the relaxation, in some measure, of the severity of the code applied, not to such companies as those referred to, but to individual inventors, who impoverish themselves while in scientific discovery, for our benefit as well as their own, and who cannot afford to give away the result for nothing.

In our next issue we shall explain our views more fully, and perhaps more accurately; but we do not think they differ much, if any, from those held by the editor of the *Advertiser* when, referring to the Bonwill engine and mallet, he wrote as follows ("Independent Practitioner," Vol. VIII., page 330): "The propriety of securing a monopoly of manufacture by patenting the various devices and improvements made has long been a vexed question in dentistry, but we believe that few object to remunerating the frequently protracted studies and long course of experimentation necessary to perfect an invention, by paying a reasonable royalty