

By attaching the appliance to a single tooth on each side of the arch as an anchor, all of the other teeth tend to support it, and thus in ordinary cases, the same object is accomplished as when more teeth are used as anchorages. Respecting this entire crib and spring wire system, special stress is laid on the following facts :

1. The materials, piano wire, tagger's tin, sheet copper, copper wire, tin and soft solder are inexpensive, and within the reach of all.

2. The crib and spring construction is simple and quickly done.

3. The clinging grip of the crib on its anchorages is sufficient to hold the fixture firmly, yet it is easily sprung off for cleansing or change.

4. Changes or additions are easily and quickly made.

5. The structure is light and clean, and occupies the least possible space in the mouth.

6. The action is controllable and free from risk or overaction.

7. It forms a perfect retainer.

Dr. Thos. Fillebrown, of Boston, gave a clinic on hypnotism, whereby a lady of middle age had a tooth extracted. She appeared at first very nervous, but after the operator made some suggestions to the patient, she became very quiet and endured the operation without expression, appearing not to have been hurt in the slightest degree.

The operator gave a paper on the subject, and it appeared by the number that took part in the discussion, and the way it was handled that a great many had experimented with it and declared wonderful results.

I would like to report to you more fully of the Hollingworth crown and bridge system, but any time I had at that part of the room it was impossible to get near enough to find out any definite method, generally finding him in the centre of an explanation, and time was too short to spend it all in fighting for a position. However, I will explain the parts I did see, and possibly in the near future will be able to demonstrate the method to better satisfaction.

He exhibited a number of buttons (224) of various shapes and sizes of the occluding surfaces, of all the grinding teeth, also the labial and palatine surfaces of the incisors.

He chose from the number the button to suit the case, and placed its cusp side upon a flat surface, and placed a rubber (such as Millott uses) over it, and ran upon this Millott's fusible alloy (which has been improved lately by the addition of cadimium which renders it less liable to mar). Now he removed the button from the matrix which left a concave die, upon which he pushed in with a piece of wood his gold, and finally with a buckshot after being driven into the die. He then proceeded in the usual method to finish his crown.