

striking examples, and had he not experimented he would undoubtedly now consider them to be cases of mercurial poisoning. In giving judgment upon the cases Dr. Godsoe described, he should, before deciding, make two plates, one of red and the other of black, and wearing them alternately each for a short time, watch the appearance of the mouth. If the conditions complained of were present only while the red plate was worn, then he would consider it was due to poisoning. He stated, however, that people sometimes imagined they were suffering from the result of poisoning of some kind when such a condition could not be induced by the article worn. In evidence of this imaginary peculiarity he cited an instance where a woman wearing an old vulcanite plate came to him for a new denture. It was during the period when the fight was hot against the users of vulcanite by the reputed patentee, and fearing, as he had not any licence to manufacture, that this woman was a decoy to lead him into a trap, that he might be sued and perhaps fined \$200, he first made a celluloid plate, then a plate of fusible metal. In each case she complained of an offensive taste which she did not like, and, in fact, could not endure. Then he made a gold plate, feeling that it was better to sacrifice the value of the gold than to pay the \$200. This time he was sure he had conquered the taste, but much to his chagrin she came back in a few days complaining of a bad taste, and pointed out the pink porcelain gum as the cause. No argument could convince her that it could not taste badly; so, in desperation, he risked being brought into court, and made a fourth plate, this time of vulcanite. He was at last quite easy in his mind that the taste question was settled, though he had not told her the plate was vulcanite. Again the woman came and complained of the bad taste, asking at the same time why he did not make a plate of the same material as her old one. On being assured that it was of the same material she went away satisfied. This was purely a case of vivid imagination, and he had no doubt but that feelings as well as tastes were sometimes imagined.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the two visiting dentists for their kindness in furnishing the society with the instructive papers and clinics, and they were cordially invited to return next year and participate in the joint meeting of the societies of the two provinces in St. John.

Votes of thanks were also extended to the dental supply houses who made such elaborate displays, viz., the S. S. White Dental Manufacturing Co., through Brown & Webb, of Halifax; Paterson & Foster, of Montreal; McDowell & Pattison, of Montreal, and the Boston Dental Manufacturing Co.

At this stage of the proceedings His Worship Mayor Clarke was asked to make a few remarks. He responded in a felicitous