

be conspicuous, it is not nearly as much so as a glaring piece of gold.

The numerous opportunities presented in which this porcelain process will prove to be of great value, is almost without limit, and has enabled me to practice dentistry on an entirely new basis, so that to-day I can say to my patients that their teeth can be perfectly restored, both in appearance and usefulness, no matter how badly they are decayed. No pulps will be destroyed, and very little tooth substance need be cut away. The use of the rubber dam is largely dispensed with; there are no long and tedious malleting operations as in large gold fillings, and no use for amalgam, yet the teeth can be perfectly restored in shape, color and size, with very little pain or fatigue either to the operator or patient.

FILLING TEETH WITH SECTIONS OF PORCELAIN.

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Starting from the smallest sized approximal cavities in the teeth, it is now possible to restore the proper color in the most perfect manner; and when we take into consideration that this



PLATE A.



PLATE B.

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