

and nearly all the lesser societies. We will also publish the codes adopted by the dentists of England, and by the medical societies of Canada, if any one will furnish us with copies.

It is quite probable that objections may be urged against some parts of the one we copy, but if not taken as a whole, it may form a text from which to draw up a code suited to the wants of this Province.

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CODE OF DENTAL ETHICS, OF THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION.

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ARTICLE I

THE DUTIES OF THE PROFESSION TO THEIR PATIENTS.

SECTION. 1. The dentist should be ever ready to respond to the wants of his patrons, and should fully recognize obligations involved in the discharge of his duties towards them. As they are, in most cases, unable to correctly estimate the character of his operations, his own sense of right must guarantee faithfulness in their performance. His manner should be firm, yet kind and sympathizing, so as to gain the respect and confidence of his patients ; and even the simplest case committed to his care should receive that attention which is due to any operation performed on living, sensitive tissue.

SEC. 2. It is not to be expected that the patient will possess a very extended or a very accurate knowledge of professional matters. The dentist should make due allowance for this, patiently explaining many things which may seem quite clear to himself, thus endeavoring to educate the public mind so that it will properly appreciate the beneficent efforts of our profession. He should encourage no false hopes, by promising success where, in the nature of the case, there is uncertainty.

SEC. 3. The dentist should be temperate in all things, keeping both mind and body in the best possible health, that his patients may have the benefit of that clearness of judgement and skill which is their right.

ARTICLE II.

MAINTAINING PROFESSIONAL CHARACTER.

SECTION 1. A member of the dental profession is bound to maintain its honor, and to labor earnestly to extend its sphere of usefulness. He should avoid everything in language and conduct calculated to discredit or dishonor his profession, and should ever manifest a