

took several.) When she came she complained that the pain was worse than ever. Now I was in a dilemma, and did not know what to do. I again examined her teeth very carefully and found every one apparently sound. I happened to remember a case I had many years ago, where all the teeth in a patient's mouth were sound, but that one molar had a peculiar sound different from the rest when tapping it. I extracted this molar and found, after splitting it, that the nerve was dead and the odor from it was anything but pleasant. I now determined to drill into the second molar, and as soon as I reached the pulp chamber with the drill a quantity of pus was discharged and the pain was immediately gone. I treated the canals and in due course of time filled them as well as the canals in both bicuspid, and—quietness reigns supreme. This case shows that in apparently sound and healthy teeth deceased pulps may be present.—*Monatsschrift Deutscher Zahnkünstler.*

MOUTH POULTICE.—Dr. Hugenschmidt recommends as the only practical poultice that can be used in alocular abscess, a fig boiled in a solution of boric acid and cut in halves, and the cut surfaces sprinkled with powdered boric acid. It will in most cases cause the abscess to discharge into the mouth. Should the abscess be far advanced and threaten to break through the cheek, then apply an ice-compress with the above.—*Journal für Zahnheilkunde.*

Address of Dr. F. Kilmer, as Retiring President of Ontario Dental Society.

Gentlemen of the Ontario Dental Society and of the Eastern Ontario Dental Society :

It is with pleasure I welcome you at this union meeting of these two important societies—important because they embrace in their membership and attendance the most ethical and progressive members of our profession, because a broad, liberal spirit of good-will and brotherly feeling is developed by the social intercourse at these gatherings, and because the kind and generous criticisms of our methods and their practical application in our clinics give a stimulus to intelligent and scientific methods of investigation.

I wish to thank you for your generous response to the call of this union meeting, and I think I can safely assure you that any sacrifice of time or convenience to attend this meeting will be more than amply repaid by the opportunity you will have for the free interchange of thought and of good-will.