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### Correspondence

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#### TO THE DENTISTS OF ENGLAND AND THE DOMINION.

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*To the Editor of DOMINION DENTAL JOURNAL :*

Just while New York had taken on larger proportions and become "greater," the United States seemed led to enter the arena in a contest with Spain, and she has emerged to take an exalted position among the nations of the world second to none other. England, always with an eye to greatness, now aspires to join hands with us, ready to stand in defiance against the remaining nations to defend the rights of any that may call for justice.

England and America occupy a proud position in the world's history. There is nothing like "plain English" for conveying definite thought. In the near future this alliance of the Anglo-Saxon race will make such declarations of security of rights, that it will be a foolhardy nation that will not hesitate before entering a contest against them.

So much for our introduction for a New York letter, that may be of interest to dentists of England and its territories. What is needed between the dentists of both countries is a better acquaintance, that our interests may be enhanced. We do not think there will be any difference of opinion in this respect. This is our aim, that we may excite a desire among a class of men uniform in interest, to become more mutually allied. Nothing so broadens a man as travel. Americans are known as travellers; they are not satisfied unless they see it all, and, as a rule, they do. Don't ever be fooled into the belief that you can keep a "Yankee" in the dark; he has a manner of looking that is not easily discovered, but *once* you are acquainted with a *real* one, the friendship is mutual and lasting. Without preliminary, we are disposed to introduce a specimen of a real "Down-Easter," from the State of Maine ("Remember the Maine"). Most of our marked men are what we term them,—*"self-made men."* They come from humble origin, and we are inclined to attribute to them, when they attain to distinction, that it is well earned. The proposition that we are pleased to place before the English dentists, we think will speak for itself. Professor Thomas Fillebrown, of the Dental Department of Harvard University, received his dental education and practised his profession for a number of years in the city of Portland, Maine. We think he was the successor of Dr. Bacon, with whom the late Dr. Coffin was a student. Dr. Coffin was well and favorably known to