

The application of Mr. Baldwin (St. Andrews) for Licentiate without examination was granted.

Messrs. Knowlton, Nicholls and Wells were presented with their certificate of license by the chairman, and the meeting adjourned.

#### MICHIGAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION.

THE fifteenth annual meeting of the Michigan Dental Association convened pursuant to adjournment, Tuesday Oct. 12, 1869, at Detroit, Mich.

The President being absent, Dr. Holmes, of Grand Rapids, was called to the chair.

The question of "Sensitive Dentine" was taken up for consideration.

Dr. Corbin said: If the cavities were numerous, and the patient sensitive, he generally found cotton saturated with creasote quite effective; if chloroform was used, a coating of gum mastic with cotton would protect the dentine from the action of the saliva, as well as prevent evaporation, for weeks. Chloride of zinc was more prompt, but painful.

Dr. Douglass said that he had been accustomed recently to diet his patients who were subject to sensitive dentine, and found the results very satisfactory; in connection with this treatment he uses carbonate of lime. In dieting he uses Graham bread, taking little or no drink at meals, tea without milk or sugar, and no sugar except in food; to drink nothing until meals have digested, and then to drink three or four times of water before the next meal.

Dr. Thomas preferred chloride of zinc though the latter must be used with care; arsenic with creasote is sometimes used, but it destroys the pulp, and should therefore be abandoned. He thought also that a sharp excavator was the best instrument for dealing with dentine, though remedies for deadening the pain may be employed, but is somewhat dangerous unless the greatest care is used.

Dr. Field has used the various remedies except arsenic. He greatly favored the free use of the excavator, and is strongly favorable to the use of creasote.

Dr. J. H. Warner said there was nothing like sharp instruments; he liked carbolic acid, for, if the cavity could be reached, he believed there was something in it that operated well. Arsenious paste, chloride of zinc, etc., were all right if removed at exactly the right