

ALBU'ASSIS was the first who asserted that the teeth could be transplanted. Galen said the teeth were real bones. Bartholme mentions a case in which a single tooth occupied the whole circle of the jaw. Genga relates a case of the growth of an *iron* tooth.

PROFESSIONAL JEALOUSY. — Two street-sweepers were heard pronouncing on the merits of a deceased brother of the broom. One of them said he was a good workman. The other pronounced him "capital at the thick, but nothing at all at the thin." The latter, being, it seems, the department which exerts the greatest agility of hand.

JOUBERT reported a case in which a lady lost all of her teeth, and at the age of 70 twenty new teeth grew in her jaws. Sauvant, Eustachie, and Duffay relate similar cases. Gehler saw a case in which an eye-tooth had been renewed three times. Hunter relates a case of the appearance of teeth at the age of 70. Mr. E. Parmly, of New York, recorded the case of an adult who never had any teeth, yet the alveolar processes were developed so as to fill up the vacancy in the mouth, which would have manifested itself had the teeth been lost by disease or extracted.

DR. W. D. DWINELLE, of New York, in 1855, in the *American Journal of Dental Science*, published the system of cap crown and so-called bridge work, which he claims was his invention.—*Archives* (St. Louis, Mo.)

Upon referring to the article in question, page 278, April 1855, the doctor's claim seems fairly established. It is an elaborate treatise. Referring to cases where there is nothing but the root of the tooth to build upon, the application of an artificial cusp, with gold plate attachment, and other methods, are suggested.—ED. D. D. J.

HOME-MADE capsicum plaster may be prepared as follows :

R Bacca capsici, ʒj.

Pulv. cantharides, ʒij.

Sp. vini rectis., ʒx.

Macerate for 48 hours, then percolate, adding sufficient rectified spirits to make the product measure ʒx.

Soak wash-leather in this tincture until well saturated, then take it out and dry in the open air. Cut in pieces for use.—*Dental Record* (London)

A GEM OF THOUGHT

"Not myself, but the truth in life I have spoken ;

Not myself, but the seed in life I have sown,

Shall pass on to ages, all about me forgotten,

Save the truth I have spoken, the things I have done."