

OCTOBER 2008 NEWSPAPER BLACKOUT POEMS CONTEST

The bridge plan would seem to be all right in theory, but it is all wrong in practice, and both unscientific and unsanitary.

That constant push on the teeth piers means that sooner or later they will be destroyed. The strain loosens them, then gums become sore and then—the man with the bridge had better look out, for he is in for a session of refined torture that will make a common toothache seem mild in comparison.

If he is wise he will have the bridge removed at the first sign of discomfort. As a matter of fact, he had better have it removed before that sign appears.

Then what?

Well, then, we shall hope he will happen to read one of our advertisements and be impressed with what he reads sufficiently to make him come to our offices in the Reed & Barton Building, 320 Fifth Ave., corner Thirty-second Street, and let us show him how teeth may be placed in his mouth (without pain), not only BETWEEN teeth, but how we can restore ALL the teeth he has lost through disease or poor dentistry, without the use of a bridge as it is termed, and without the use of a plate.

We will give him back ALL the teeth he has lost and then tell him to go forth and use these new teeth exactly as he would the rest in his mouth. He will not be told to favor them in any way.

The diagnosis and careful examination will not cost him a cent.

If it is not possible for a patient to come to our offices at once for the examination, let them send for Dr. Martin's book entitled ALVEOLAR DENTISTRY, which tells all about this wonderful discovery, the greatest since dentistry became a science.

The book is free for the asking.

The reading of it brings patients to us from all over America, so it must be worth sending for.

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compulsory treatment of the disease by the State or the municipality. Mr. Schiff spoke to an unusually large crowd in Section V of the exhibit, where a model of the Montefiore Home served as an illustration to the various methods he set forth.

The only way by which the inroads of the white plague can be successfully headed off, said Mr. Schiff, is by the radical step of forcing all patients suffering from the advanced stages of phthisis to go to some public hospital where they can be properly cared for. Such a plan, he said, would be far from eliminating the field of private philanthropy.

From the nature of the disease, he said, the treatment of the earlier stages will always be better done by private institutions, where it is possible to give each patient the detailed personal treatment needed. But beyond that point, he said, the severe regulations of the public institutions are needed. Referring to the institution which he represents Mr. Schiff said in part:

"The city institution admits patients suffering from almost every kind of incurable disease, including consumptives in the advanced stage, for whom separate rooms and wards are set aside. None of these beds is at any time unoccupied. A large waiting list always exists.

More Like Montefiore Needed.

"Practically all of those whom Montefiore Home for Chronic Invalids takes care of belong to the dependent classes among the tenement house population of the City of New York. More such sanatoriums as Montefiore are needed. In a large cosmopolitan community, which receives constantly numerous accessions from other countries, often underfed, of weakened constitutions, and generally unaccustomed to the rigor of the new climate, considerable numbers are liable to become attacked by tuberculosis who, unless they are promptly and properly cared for, will succumb to the disease from the advancing effect of which they might be saved by prompt adequate treatment, such as a sanitarium can provide.

"Whether under the name of sanatoria or hospitals, every possible provision should be made, particularly by the State, for taking care of each and every case of advanced consumption without exception. The unfortunate sufferer, when his illness has progressed beyond a certain stage, should no longer be left free to choose whether or not he will leave his home, but should be made to enter a hospital or sanitarium.

"This may perhaps seem a harsh proposition, but it appears not likely that except by such means and methods any perceptible inroad can be made upon the extent of the scourge and the expectation be indulged in that its ravages may become effectively reduced.

Duty of the State.

"The duty of making adequate and sufficient provision for the great number of advanced consumptives found particularly in large communities should fall upon the State, and it were well if the private hospital and sanatoria withdrew entirely from the care of the advanced consumptive.