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# Biennial Report

OF THE

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## Board of Dental Examiners

OF THE

STATE OF COLORADO

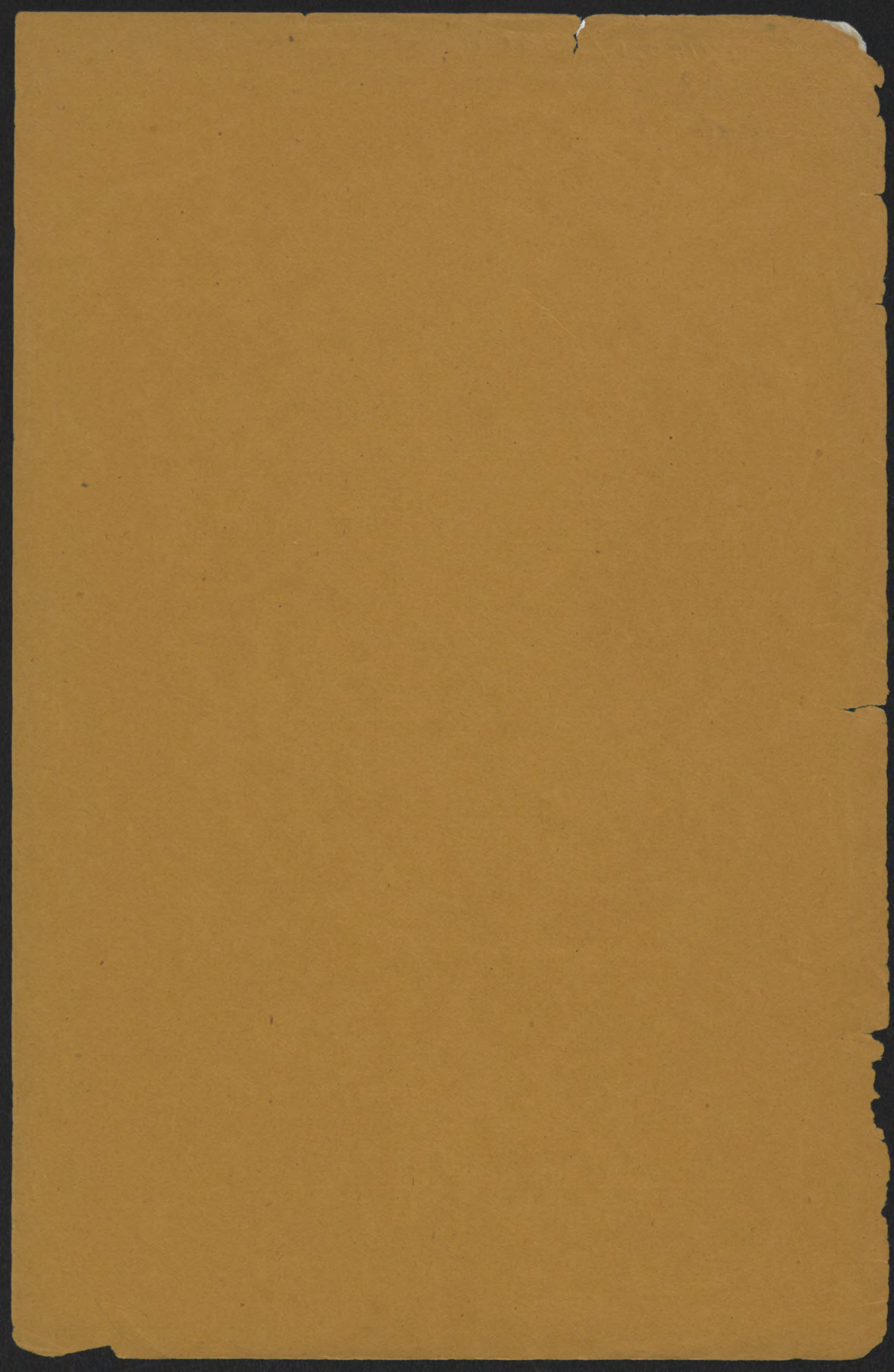
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*To His Excellency,*  
JOB A. COOPER,  
*Governor of Colorado.*

*Greeting:*

WHEREAS, By an act of the last General Assembly a dental law was enacted, and one of its provisions was that a report of the proceedings under it should be made to the Governor of the State biennially and before the 15th day of December of the year preceding the meeting of each General Assembly:

Therefore we respectfully submit the following as the result of the work of the Board appointed to carry into effect the said law:

The Board met in Denver on the 16th day of June, A. D. 1889, and organized by electing the following named members as its officers: J. M. Norman, President; P. T. Smith, Treasurer; and J. N. Chipley, Secretary.

We met again on the 24th day of June for the purpose of examining applicants for license to practice dentistry in Colorado, notice of the time, place and object of said meeting having been previously given by circular to each dentist whose name and address we could procure, and the result was very gratifying, as out of about one hundred and fifty so notified, about one hundred and twenty-five responded and appeared before us for examination, four of whom we did not find com-

petent, in our judgment, to receive a license to continue, and were therefore refused. Permanent license was issued to about ninety-five, and a "Permit," good for one year, to some twenty-five, with instructions to improve themselves in the time given, and come before us again at our next annual meeting. By the authority vested in the Secretary there were about fifteen temporary licenses issued, between the two annual meetings, to parties coming into the State and desiring to at once begin practicing.

We met again in annual session on the 24th day of June, 1890, at Denver, and had about forty applicants at that meeting for examination. The percentage of failures at that time was larger, owing to the fact that the twenty-five who had held the one year permits, had not, except a few, improved their time, and were found no better qualified than they were the year previous.

Twenty-four of those then examined were granted a license, and seventeen refused.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT.

Whole number of applicants examined to Dec.  
15, 1890, 140 at \$10, amount received----- \$ 1,400

#### CONTRARY.

Disbursements on account of Board's time, mileage, printing and other expenses-----	\$ 1,050
For prosecutions-----	45
Cash on hand-----	305
Total-----	\$ 1,400

(Signed)

P. T. SMITH,  
*Treasurer.*

The law as it stands has been of vast benefit both to our profession and the public. The violators of the law at the present time we think are very few; nearly all of those who failed to get a license and those who

did not apply, have gone to other states or territories, where there is no law to prevent their practicing, and others have entered some of the many institutions of learning throughout the country.

Without such a law our State, owing to the rapid enactment of similar laws in other states, would have been the dumping ground for, and overrun with the worst class of charlatans and quacks, disgracing themselves and bringing into disrepute an honored profession and swindling and injuring the people.

I will close by saying, that we have had to invoke its aid in a few cases to rid the community of unworthy men, and have been successful in all but one case.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. CHIPLEY, D.D.S.

*Secretary.*

PUEBLO, COLORADO, Dec. 15, 1890.







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