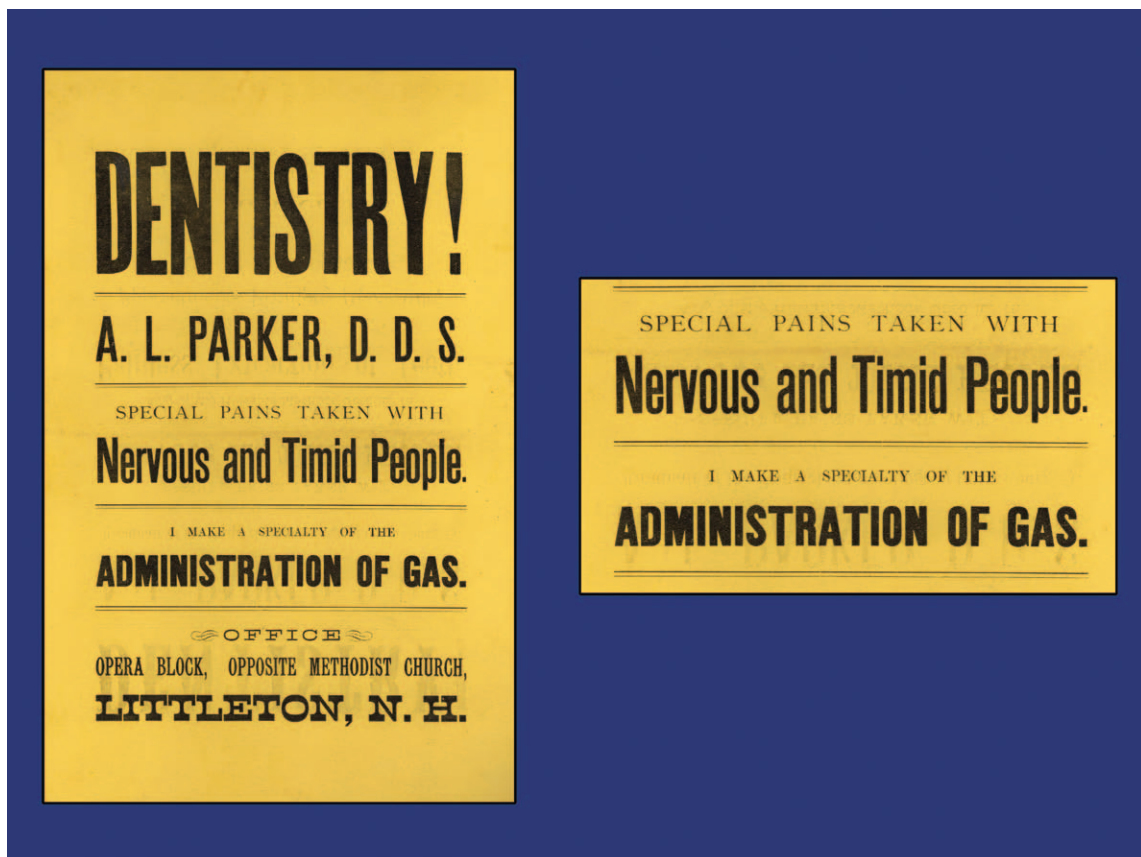


A. L. Parker's Broadside: Laughing "Gas" for Littleton



Arthur Linwood Parker, D.D.S. (1868–1917) was born in Lyman, in northwest New Hampshire. From about 1880 to 1894, Parker called Littleton, New Hampshire, his hometown. After marrying Sadie Putnam in 1892, Parker began relocating his dental practice to central New Hampshire, to Penacook, the northernmost village of the state capital, Concord. Brandishing Parker's D.D.S. at fellow Littletonians, this side of his Littleton/Penacook broadsheet touts that Parker treats "Nervous and Timid" patients. Around the time he released these broadsheets, Parker lost his first wife—the first of two tragedies to impact his practicing dentistry and specializing in "the administration of [laughing] gas." This broadsheet is part of the Wood Library-Museum's Ben Z. Swanson Collection. (Copyright © the American Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc.)

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