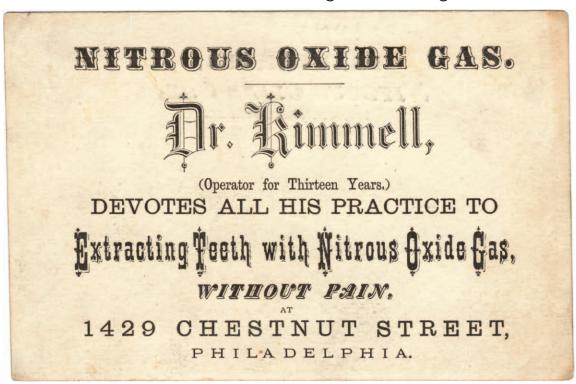
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Kimmell's Practice Devoted to Extracting Teeth Using Nitrous Oxide



Unlike the obverse (see Anesthesiology Reflections, this issue, p. 1369), the reverse of dentist Samuel Kimmell's trade card made no mention of the Centennial Exposition of 1876. However, Dr. Kimmell advertised that he devoted "ALL HIS PRACTICE TO Extracting Teeth with Nitrous Oxide Gas, Without Pain...." Because he also noted that he had worked as an "Operator for Thirteen Years," Dr. Kimmell may have begun using nitrous oxide fairly shortly after Gardner Q. Colton revived dental use of nitrous oxide anesthesia in 1863. This trade card is part of the Wood Library-Museum's Ben Z. Swanson Collection. (Copyright © the American Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc.)

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