

## ANESTHESIOLOGY REFLECTIONS FROM THE WOOD LIBRARY-MUSEUM

“Pure Nitrous Oxide” Advertised by F. D. Davis, D.D.S.

From the town of Minerva, Ohio, Fremont D. Davis, D.D.S. (*left*), advertised painless dentistry “by the use of pure Nitrous Oxide Gas” (*right*). Sadly, his personal health was hardly pain free. While driving back into Minerva, Dr. Davis’s buggy was struck after a railroad flatcar bumped into a switch. As his horse bolted, the hapless dentist was “dragged out over the dashboard and severely injured.” 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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