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## PREFACE

### TO VOLUME FIVE

The National Association for the Study of Epilepsy and the Care and Treatment of Epileptics was founded in May, 1900, for these purposes :

1. To promote the general welfare of sufferers from epilepsy.
2. To stimulate the study of the causes and the methods of cure of this disease.
3. To advocate the care of epileptics in institutions where they may
  - (a) Receive a common school education ;
  - (b) Acquire trades ;
  - (c) Be treated by the best medical skill for their malady.
4. To assist the various States in America in making proper provision for epileptics.

Ohio, New York, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Texas, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota and Missouri have each founded State institutions of one kind or another for dependent epileptics. Alabama and North Carolina have now taken steps toward doing the same. Other states are about to follow. There are not less than 150,000 to 160,000 epileptics in the United States, less than 4,500 of whom are receiving proper State support, aid and treatment. Above all things the Association wishes to increase its *active membership list* that it may not only have the means for carrying on its work, but that it may also interest as many persons as possible in the philanthropic work it has undertaken. All who feel an interest in charity, or who are engaged in the scientific study of the disease, are eligible for membership.



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