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New Jersey State Dental Society.

THE twenty-fourth annual meeting of the New Jersey State Dental Society convened at the West End Hotel, Asbury Park, N. J., on Wednesday, July 19, 1893; the President, Dr. Oscar Adelberg, presiding.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. E. L. Stoddard, of Jersey City.

The roll was called by the Secretary.

The following applications for membership were received and referred to the Committee on Membership : J. M. Holden, D.D.S., of Hackettstown; Sponsors, Dr. E. M. Beesley and Dr. J. L. Crater. Dr. William H. Pruden, of Paterson; Sponsors, Dr. B. F. Luckey and Dr. Thomas Moore. Dr. O. C. Bogardus, of Keyport; Sponsors, Dr. William E. Truex and Dr. S. C. G. Watkins. Dr. J. G. Halsey, of Swedesboro; Sponsors, Dr. E. M. Beesley and Dr. C. W. F. Holbrook.

The Committee on Membership reported favorably upon these proposals for membership; ballots were taken, and the candidates named were duly elected members of the Society.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Dr. Harvey Iredell was appointed Treasurer *pro tem*.

Dr. Beesley, of the Executive Committee, reported that the Committee had made arrangements for papers, clinics, etc., as per programme, and that the election of officers would take place on Thursday evening at 10 o'clock. The report was accepted.

Dr. Meeker, for the Committee on Accommodations, reported as per programme.

Dr. Watkins, for the Clinic Committee, reported as per programme.

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Dr. C. W. F. Holbrook reported progress for the Exhibit Committee, as per programme.

Dr. Sanger, for the Essay Committee, reported as per programme.

Dr. Luckey reported progress for the Clinical Conference Committee.

In the absence of the chairman of the Committee on Dental Literature, no report was made by that Committee.

Dr. Richards reported progress for the Committee on Dental Appliances.

Dr. Barlow, for the Press Committee, said the Committee had no further report to make than that notices of the Convention had been published.

Dr. Meeker. Mr. President, in the death of Dr. Levy, chairman of the Legislative Committee, I would report that the Committee met twice last year; and in regard to the bill that was introduced in the Legislature, the Secretary had printed about six hundred small circulars, which were sent to every practicing dentist throughout the State, and I have now in my desk at home nearly the whole of those circulars, returned signed by men who were members of our Society and those who were not members, and by gentlemen who had just graduated from college,—all protesting against the passage of the bill, and their voices being almost unanimous against any change in the present law. The bill was placed in the hands of the Senate Committee, that was favorably disposed toward the law, and it never saw the light after. It was said that it emanated from Philadelphia, but I do not know how true that was. I doubt whether there will be any bills of similar character brought before the Legislature again.

Dr. Luckey. Mr. President, the Entertainment Committee has no report to make, except to state that the Committee has performed its duty of securing such necessaries as fall within its scope; and whenever the gentlemen feel a weakness, or a necessity for rejuvenation, they will find the means in the committee room for so doing.

Dr. Truex. Mr. President, I have a paper that has been handed to me by one of the members of the Membership Committee, in which is published an advertisement by Dr. Tillyer, of Dover, N. J., in which he violates the code of ethics. I submit it for the consideration and action of the Society.

On motion of Dr. Meeker, the matter of the advertisement was referred to the Executive Committee.

Dr. Watkins began to speak in favor of the Columbian Dental Congress, but was ruled out of order.

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Dr. Iredell presented a circular of the Hayes Dental and Surgical Manufacturing Company, of Pittsburg, Pa., advertising the Hayes process of anesthesia or hypnotism, and moved that the Society record its condemnation of such advertised articles the ingredients of which are unknown. Dr. Meeker offered an amendment that a committee of three be appointed by the President to make a formal report condemnatory of all advertised nostrums and secret compositions for anesthesia. The amendment was carried, and the President appointed as such committee, Dr. Iredell, Dr. Hamilton, and Dr. Curtis.

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The President, Dr. Oscar Adelberg, made the following annual address :

GENTLEMEN OF THE NEW JERSEY STATE DENTAL SOCIETY :

The twenty-fourth annual meeting of our Society finds us once more at this familiar resort, where we have met, with the intermission of one year, since 1883, to devote our time and energies to the interchange of new ideas and advanced thought, modes of practice, and office incidents, and to the consideration generally of everything calculated to advance the noble profession we call our own. And while so doing, we improve the occasion to more firmly cement old friendships, form new ones, and extend a cordial and hearty welcome to our guests from sister States who are honoring us with their presence.

Since our last gathering under this roof, two years ago, when it was our pleasure and privilege to welcome to our deliberations, and combine with us in joint meeting, the Pennsylvania State Dental Society, we have, in a measure, returned the compliment, by last year accepting, in a spirit of reciprocity, the invitation of said Society to meet with them at the charming summer resort of Cresson Springs, in their State; and I do not think that I misrepresent a single member of the small band that represented this Society on that occasion, when I say that it was a most instructive and enjoyable meeting for all of us. The papers read and subjects introduced were of an exceptionally interesting and instructive nature, calling forth the best efforts of members of both Societies in their discussion, and furnishing rich food for thoughtful digestion to the active mind ready and eager for rapid assimilation. I would also like to dwell on the very enjoyable social features of the occasion, were it not that their recital might fill with pangs of tearful remorse the hearts of those of our members who failed to avail themselves of the privileges offered by

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not being of our number. Suffice it to say, that the *entende cordiale* already existing between the two Societies was further increased, and the good-fellowship and fraternal intercourse between the members, collectively and individually, more firmly established than ever.

It now becomes my mournful duty to chronicle the almost irreparable loss this Society has sustained during the year just past. That grim destroyer, death, laid his relentless hand on our friend and fellow-member, Dr. Fred. A. Levy, cutting him off in the prime of his usefulness, and depriving this association of one of its most honored and prominent members. With a mind quick of perception and ready to execute, he combined rare qualities of heart that endeared him to all who came in close contact with him, and cause his memory to be revered by us who knew him and labored with him in the interest of this Society and the advancement of our profession. At a special meeting of the Society, held in Newark, April 11, a committee was appointed by the chair to take suitable action in reference to his death, who have fulfilled their mission, and will hand in the result of their labors at a later stage of the proceedings. Another member to answer the last summons was Dr. W. F. Rehfuss, who succumbed to that dread malady, Bright's disease, after a brief illness. Though not so prominently connected with this Society, or as personally known to its members, as Dr. Levy, still his reputation as one of the brilliant younger lights of the profession was being more firmly established every day; and being taken away at the very threshold of a highly promising career, we can but mourn that talent such as his could not have been spared to the world for enlarged fields of usefulness. I would suggest that proper action be taken by this Society in regard to his death.

I am happy to state that New Jersey still deserves the proud distinction of possessing a dental law second to none. During the session of the last Legislature a bill was introduced, ostensibly to amend the present law, but in its provisions calculated to abrogate the same. While subsequent events proved our fears to be groundless, the bill never seeing daylight again after having been referred to the proper committee, still, with the sanction of the Executive Committee, our ever-vigilant Secretary sent out a circular in the shape of a protest against the passage of the bill, which received the signatures of an overwhelming majority of the profession throughout the State, showing conclusively that the present law for the regulation of the practice of dentistry in the State, if not absolutely perfect, is regarded as satisfac-