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## PROCEEDINGS.

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THE ALABAMA DENTAL ASSOCIATION was organized in Montgomery, Alabama, on the 1st day of October, 1869, and the following officers were elected to serve for one year:

Dr. J. G. McAuley, of Selma, Ala., President.

Dr. S. Rambo, of Montgomery, Ala., 1st Vice Pres't.

Dr. W. W. Evans, of Union Springs, Ala., 2d Vice Pres't.

Dr. W. J. Reese, of Montgomery, Ala., Recording Sec'y.

The duties of Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, being performed by the Recording Secretary.

The Association adjourned on the 3d to meet in Selma, Ala., on the 3d Wednesday in August, 1870.

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SELMA, ALA., August 17th, 1870.

The Association met at 11 o'clock, and organized with the President in the chair. After the usual business, the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

Dr. Sam'l Rambo, Montgomery, President.

Dr. Wm. Deason, Mobile, 1st Vice President.

Dr. J. W. Keyes, Montgomery, 2d Vice President.

Dr. Robert A. Savage, Mobile, Recording Secretary.

Dr. W. J. Reese, Montgomery, Corresponding Secretary.

Dr. Rob't A. Savage, Mobile, Treasurer.

The Association adjourned after a three days session, to meet in Mobile, August 16th, 1871.

MOBILE, ALA., August 16th, 1871.

The Association was organized by the 1st Vice President, and the usual business transacted, after which the following were elected officers to serve during the ensuing year:

Dr. J. W. Keyes, Montgomery, President.

Dr. J. C. Storey, Eutaw, 1st Vice-President.

Dr. W. D. Dunlap, Selma, 2d Vice-President.

Dr. Robt. A. Savage, Mobile, Recording Sec'y and Treas'r.

Dr. E. G. Wheeler, Mobile, Corresponding Secretary.

Adjourned to meet in Montgomery on the 3d Wednesday in August, 1872.

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MONTGOMERY, ALA., August 3d, 1872.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 10 o'clock, and the usual business transacted; afterwards the following were elected officers to serve the ensuing year:

Dr. Wm. Deason, Mobile, President.

Dr. E. G. Wheeler, Mobile, 1st Vice President.

Dr. E. H. Locke, Troy, 2d Vice President.

Dr. W. J. Reese, Montgomery, Secretary and Treasurer.

Adjourned to meet in Montgomery on the 20th of August, 1873.

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MONTGOMERY, ALA., Aug. 20th, 1873.

The meeting was called to order by the President, and the usual business transacted, when the following were elected officers for the ensuing year:

Dr. E. G. Wheeler, Mobile, President.

Dr. W. D. Dunlap, Selma, 1st Vice President.

Dr. Stevens, Montgomery, 2d Vice President.

Dr. W. J. Reese, Montgomery, Secretary and Treasurer.

Adjourned to meet in Mobile on the 3d Wednesday in Aug., 1874, but yellow fever having made its appearance there, and



the crops turning out badly, it was thought advisable to have no meeting, nor did the financial condition of the country justify an effort to assemble for several years afterwards.

Early in the summer of 1880, a call was issued by a number of prominent dentists for a dental convention, which assembled in Montgomery on the 20th of July, 1880, when the Association was revived, with the following officers for the ensuing year:

- Dr. W. D. Dunlap, Selma, President.
- Dr. E. S. Chisholm, Tuscaloosa, 1st Vice President.
- Dr. W. R. McWilliams, Athens, 2d Vice President.
- Dr. T. M. Allen, Eufaula, Recording Secretary.
- Dr. G. M. Rousseau, Montgomery, Corresponding Sec'y.
- Dr. S. Rambo, Montgomery, Treasurer.

The first five of the officers were placed on a Committee on Legislation, and were authorized to frame and have a suitable law passed, which was accomplished and took effect February 11th, 1881, superseding the law passed December 31, 1841; and under the law, the members of the committee became members of the examining board provisionally. The law is as follows:

## AN ACT

### TO REGULATE THE PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Alabama*, That from and after the passage of this act it shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the practice of dentistry in the State of Alabama unless said person has obtained license from a board of dental examiners duly authorized and appointed by this act to issue such license. Provided, that dentists who have been in the regular practice of dentistry for five years next preceding the passage of this act, shall not be required to submit to an examination, and shall be entitled to license without fee, which shall be transmitted to him by mail or otherwise upon his application accompanied by an affidavit to the fact of his having been in the regular practice for the required time.

Sec. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the board of dental examiners shall consist of five (5) dental graduates, or practitioners of dentistry, who have obtained a license to practice dentistry from a medical board in this State, or from a dental board organized under this act, and who are

members in good standing of the Alabama Dental Association; provided, that said graduates or practitioners have been practicing dentistry in the State of Alabama for a period not less than three (3) years; and, provided further, that the first board of examiners under this act shall consist of the present executive committee of the Alabama Dental Association, who shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the said association, and until their successors are elected and qualified as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the said Alabama Dental Association, at its annual meeting next after the passage of this act, and every two years thereafter, to elect said board of examiners who shall hold office for the term of two (2) years, and until their successors are elected and qualified. The President of said Association shall have power to fill all vacancies in said board for unexpired terms.

Sec. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of said board of examiners:

1st. To meet annually at the time and place of meeting of the Alabama Dental Association, or oftener, at the call of any three of the members of said board. Thirty days notice must be given of the time and place of meeting of said board; said notice to be mailed to all practicing dentists in the State.

2d. To prescribe a course of reading for those who study dentistry under private instruction.

3d. To grant a license to any applicant who shall furnish satisfactory evidence of having graduated and received a diploma from any incorporated Dental College, or who has heretofore received a license from a medical board in this State, without examination or fee.

4th. To grant license to all other applicants who undergo a satisfactory examination, who shall pay to the said board a fee of five dollars for said license.

5th. To keep a book in which shall be registered the names of all persons licensed to practice dentistry in this State.

Sec. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That the book so kept shall be a book of record, and a transcript from it certified to by the officer who has it in keeping with the common seal of said board, shall be evidence in any court of this State.

Sec. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That three members of said board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and should a quorum not be present on the day appointed for its meeting, those present may adjourn from day to day, until a quorum is present.

Sec. 7. *Be it further enacted*, That one member of said board may grant a license for an applicant to practice until the next regular meeting of the board, when he shall report the fact, at which time the temporary license shall not be granted by a member of the board after the board has rejected the applicant.

Sec. 8. *Be it further enacted*, That any person who shall, in violation of this act, practice dentistry in this State for a fee or reward shall be liable to indictment, and on conviction shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than three hundred dollars; provided, that nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent persons from extracting teeth.

Sec. 9. *Be it further enacted*, That on the trial of such indictment it shall be incumbent upon the defendant to exempt him from the penalties of this act, to show that he has authority under the law to practice dentistry in this State.

Sec. 10. *Be it further enacted*, That every person to whom license is issued by said board of examiners shall, within thirty days from the date thereof, present the same to the Judge of the Probate Court of the county in which he resides, who shall officially endorse said license, and seal it with the seal of the court, and who shall record said license in a proper book in his office, and who shall be entitled to receive a fee of one (1) dollar for his services, but a temporary license issued under section 7 of this act need not be sealed or recorded.

Sec. 11. *Be it further enacted*, That it shall be the duty of the solicitors of this State, to prosecute all persons violating all or any portion of this act.

Sec. 12. *Be it further enacted*, That all laws or part of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Approved February 11, 1881.

The Association adjourned to meet in Selma, on the 19th of July, 1884.

SELMA, ALA., July 19th, 1881.

The President called the meeting to order. The Constitution and By-Laws as revised were adopted. The Permanent Dental Examining Board was organized by the election of the following:

E. S. Chisholm, *Chairman*,  
 W. R. McWilliams,  
 T. M. Allen, *Secretary*,  
 W. D. Dunlap,  
 J. G. McAuley,

as members of the board, to serve for two years.

The following were elected officers for the ensuing year:

G. M. Rousseau, *Montgomery*, President.