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PREFACE

THE following pages contain a full account of the semi-centennial celebration of the New York Academy of Medicine, held on January 29, 1897, together with a copy of the original constitution of the Academy and a list of the officers of the Academy from the time of its organization, in 1847, down to January 1, 1897.

The celebration began with exercises in the large auditorium of the Carnegie Music Hall, Fifty-seventh Street and Seventh Avenue, at 8.30 P.M. A brilliant assembly of the Fellows of the Academy and their invited guests filled the hall to overflowing.

After the eloquent address of the President of the United States, the Hon. Grover Cleveland, which closed the formal part of the exercises, a reception was held in the building of the Academy of Medicine, No. 17 West Forty-third Street. Here all were presented to the President of the United States, who graciously delayed his departure to Washington for the purpose of meeting the Fellows of the Academy and their guests.

At a stated meeting of the New York Academy of Medicine, held November 5, 1896, the following recommendation from the Council was read:

"In view of the approach of the semi-centennial of the New York Academy of Medicine, the Council recommends to the Academy that the occasion be celebrated in an appropriate manner, and that the details of this celebration should be left to three committees—one of arrangement, one of invitation, and one of entertainment, to be appointed by the President, of which he shall be a member *ex-officio*."

Upon motion this recommendation of the Council was accepted.

The President appointed the following committees, in accordance with the resolution:

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS.

William M. Polk, M.D., Chairman.

Robert F. Weir, M.D.	A. Alexander Smith, M.D.
Charles McBurney, M.D.	Edward G. Janeway, M.D.
D. B. St. John Roosa, M.D.	Landon Carter Gray, M.D.
William T. Lusk, M.D.	Edward D. Fisher, M.D.

COMMITTEE ON INVITATION.

John H. Girdner, M.D., Chairman.

Egbert H. Grandin, M.D.	Charles Inslee Pardee, M.D.
Clarence C. Rice, M.D.	Prince A. Morrow, M.D.

COMMITTEE ON ENTERTAINMENT.

Daniel Lewis, M.D., Chairman.

M. Allen Starr, M.D.	H. Holbrook Curtis, M.D.
Clement Cleveland, M.D.	Arthur M. Jacobus, M.D.
Nathan E. Brill, M.D.	T. Matlack Cheesman, M.D.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

THE NEW YORK ACADEMY OF MEDICINE.

NEW YORK, December 15, 1896.

At a stated meeting of the Academy of Medicine, held November 5th, it was unanimously resolved to celebrate the semi-centennial of the founding of the Academy.

The Committee of Arrangements begs to announce that public exercises will be held on January 29, 1897, at Carnegie Hall, to be followed later in the evening by a reception at the Academy of Medicine.

The programme will be substantially as follows:

Address by President Cleveland.

Oration by Dr. A. Jacobi.

Addresses by one or more of the founders of the Academy.

Each Fellow of the Academy will be entitled to two reserved seat tickets (good until 8 P.M.), and also to one ticket, admitting two, to the reception at the Academy.

The expenses of the celebration will be about \$3,500, and the committee asks from each Fellow of the Academy a subscription of \$5 or more.

Tickets will be issued in the order of application; you will therefore kindly fill out the enclosed card, stating whether you intend to be present, and also the amount of your subscription.

It is hoped that all the members of the Academy whether expecting to be present or not, will subscribe liberally, as it is intended to make the occasion a memorable one in the history of the Academy.

WM. M. POLK, M.D.,

Chairman Committee of Arrangements.

EDWARD D. FISHER, M.D.,

Secretary.

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INVITATION TO THE CELEBRATION

The President and Council
request the pleasure of your company
at the
Semi-Centennial Celebration
of
The New York Academy of Medicine,
on Friday evening, January the twenty-ninth.

JOSEPH D. BRYANT, M.D.,
President.
REGINALD H. SAYRE, M.D.,
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EXERCISES AT CARNEGIE HALL,

January 29, 1897.

**PROGRAMME OF EXERCISES AT CARNEGIE
HALL.**

INVOCATION,

Right Rev. Bishop Potter, LL.D.

ADDRESS,

Joseph D. Bryant, M.D.,

President of the New York Academy of Medicine.

Music.

ADDRESSES,

Samuel S. Purple, M.D., and Lewis A. Sayre, M.D.,

of the Founders of the New York Academy of Medicine.

Music.

ORATION,

A. Jacobi, M.D.,

an ex-President of the New York Academy of Medicine.

Music.

ADDRESS,

The President of the United States, Hon. Grover Cleveland.

Music.