

DR. HUTCHINSON.—The human body is varying all the time. We have also to deal with vital force, of which we know absolutely nothing. We may not get the same number of vibrations at one end of the machine—the rheotome—that we get at the other, but if we relieve pain we should be satisfied. Our duty to our patients is the paramount one. As to the different resistances of some, they differ much, and they are impossible of measurement; they vary from second to seconds. A certain effect is produced, but how, he does not know and does not care. Had we to deal with inert matter like the physicists, we could be more exact, but we deal with life. He eliminated the element of “sound” cure. Anaesthesia, local only, is produced with the utmost ease, from one to one and a half inches around the electrode as well as under it, but no further.

The President announced that as there was so much to take up the time of the Association, he would not hold his proposed clinic, but that the whole afternoon would be devoted to papers and discussions.

The meeting then adjourned.

Afternoon session.—Called to order by the President in the Chair.

DR. GOELET read the announcements of the Committee of Arrangements. A reception by the resident members of the City of New York to the members of the Association, their ladies and invited guests, would be held this evening in the Academy.

A letter from Dr. Schavoir was read, inviting the members and their ladies to visit his Sanitarium at Stamford. Come on Friday, at 11 A.M.

*Wednesday, October 5, 1892.*

Evening session.—Executive session for the election of Officers.

Meeting called to order at 9 P.M. President Morton in the Chair.

The President, in accordance with the suggestion made by Dr. Herdman in the morning, reported and submitted the following names for committees, all of whom were elected:

Committee on Standard Static Machine: Dr. J. H. Kellogg, Dr. M. A. Cleaves, Dr. G. B. Massey.

Committee on Standard Constant Current Generators and Controllers: Dr. W. J. Herdman, Dr. F. Peterson, Dr. R. Newman.

Committee on Standard Electrodes: Dr. A. Laphorn Smith, Dr. R. J. Nunn, Dr. C. R. Dickson.

To the Committee on Standard Coils, at present consisting of Dr. W. J. Morton, Dr. A. H. Goelet, Dr. G. B. Massey, Dr. W. F. Hutchinson, he would add Mr. A. E. Kennelly.

The Committee on Standard Meters at present, consisting of Dr. W. Adams, Dr. H. E. Hayd, Dr. W. F. Robinson.

The members above mentioned were then

elected to serve on their respective committees for one year, and report at the next annual meeting.

On motion of Dr. Herdman, seconded by Dr. Nunn, it was

*Resolved*, That Dr. Morton be Chairman of Committee on Static Machines.

The following officers were then elected for next annual meeting:

President, Dr. August M. H. Goelet, of New York; First Vice-President, Dr. Wm. F. Hutchinson, of Providence, R. I.; Second Vice-President, Dr. W. J. Herdman, of Ann Arbor, Michigan; Secretary, Dr. W. A. Cleaves, of New York; Treasurer, Dr. R. J. Nunn, of Savannah, Ga.; Executive Committee: Dr. W. J. Morton, of New York; Dr. G. Betton Massey, of Philadelphia, Pa.; Dr. Robert Newman, of New York; Dr. Charles R. Dickson, of Toronto, Canada; Dr. J. H. Kellogg, of Battle Creek, Michigan.

On motion of Dr. Nunn, seconded by Dr. Bishop,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary report funds in hand to the Treasurer.

On motion of Dr. Hutchinson, it was

*Resolved*, That this Association meet in Philadelphia on the Tuesday following the meeting of the Pan-American Medical Congress, namely, 12th of September, 1893.

On motion of Dr. Hutchinson, seconded by Dr. Nunn,

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the American Electro-Therapeutic Association be directed to communicate with the Secretary-General of the Pan-American Medical Congress, Dr. C. A. L. Reed, 311 Elm street, Cincinnati, Ohio, requesting him to add to his circular of information the fact that the date of the meeting of this Society has been fixed for the week succeeding the meeting of the Congress in Washington.

On motion of Dr. Hutchinson,

*Resolved*, That Committee of Arrangements for the Philadelphia meeting consist of Dr. G. B. Massey, Dr. M. J. Grier, and Dr. H. R. Bigelow.

Dr. Morton gave notice of motion to present an Amendment to Article III of Constitution, to read thus: “The members of this Association shall consist of Ordinary Fellows, Honorary Fellows, and Corresponding Fellows, who shall be either practitioners of medicine in good standing or electrical experts.”

The Executive Session then adjourned to meet again Thursday at 10 A.M., and the visiting members, their ladies and invited guests enjoyed the hospitality of the members of the Association resident in the city of New York in the form of a lecture, private exhibition, reception, and collation at the Academy. A most interesting and instructive lecture on the phonograph and microphonograph, with illustrations and demonstrations, was given by Dr. J.