

sented to the Society. Two magic lantern demonstrations were given, and they were of unusual interest, as was also the presentation of two patients treated for tuberculosis, one case of myxedema, a demonstration of hypnotism and a demonstration of the germ of influenza.

This Medical Society does not neglect the social feature, as will be seen by the following record: On July 4 a stag-dinner was given, and thirteen members were present; and on July 23 a dinner was tendered the Society by the president; on July 30 the Society was presented with an onyx inkstand; on November 26 a Thanksgiving ball was given by the Society, and there were present 250 guests, many of whom were well known in German society as well as to the American colony, and there were present most of the well-known scientific men of Berlin. On February 22, 1892, Washington's Birthday was celebrated, in which seventy-five participated.

Dr. Edward Bush, Director of the Dental Institute of Berlin, was made an honorary member.

The present active membership number thirty-eight, and during the year more than ninety names have been enrolled as members. The second year was most auspicious, and active interest was shown in the Society. The average attendance at each meeting varied from twenty-five to thirty. The thanks of the Society are especially due to the present president, Dr. W. D. Miller, and to its former and original secretary, Dr. F. A. Webber, now of Milwaukee.

This Society has increased in strength, so that now it occupies an advanced position in Berlin, and all questions of great interest to the large American colony there are usually referred to it before action is taken.

In addition to the bi monthly meetings, the members meet at regular periods for social entertainment. Further, this Society enables all the members to act in a body, so that special courses can be arranged with the *privat docents* and special rates obtained from instrument-makers and booksellers. A correct list composed of good lodgings is in charge of a special committee, and a special committee of men interested in each of the different specialties as well as in the broad domain of medicine and surgery is appointed to collect information regarding various public and private courses of instruction in Medicine, Surgery and the specialties.

The advantages of this Society are so obvious that every American who proposes to study Medicine in Berlin should make application to its president, Dr. W. D. Miller, and within twenty-four hours he will receive accurate and precise information regarding all the private and public courses that are given, and can ar-

range special courses among the members; he will be able to secure a special discount on all books and instruments which he may purchase, and at the same time he will be able to obtain a list of lodgings and restaurants where he may go and feel perfectly comfortable. This information, which he acquires so quickly, would take, in the ordinary course of events, not less than two or three weeks, and, with a strong probability, that he would waste much more time, not to mention the advantage of meeting and knowing all of his countrymen that are in Berlin at the same time.

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