

High Tension Current in Neuritis, which gave rise to much discussion.

The final paper of the morning session was read by Dr. Charles Rea Dickson on Electricity in the Treatment of Goitre.

At 1 o'clock the Association adjourned until 2 p. m.

Upon re-assembling, President Dickson delivered his Annual Address, a part of which is as follows :

"For many years past the thoughts of those who are interested in the various branches of this wondrous subject, electricity, have turned to Buffalo, and it has been the Mecca of the Electric Pilgrims. On its outskirts the wildest dreams of the Arabian Nights have been outdone. Science, ever triumphing over nature, has harnessed that most beautiful of all nature's handiwork, and as though by the subtle touch of the wand of a magician, the very country has been transformed, and solitary fields have become veritable hives of human industry, the outcome of the mighty power of Niagara transformed and transmitted. Massive factories are seen on every side where but a few years ago were found naught but vacant lots. To us, witnessing it for the first time, it is a milestone of progress, illustrating man's ingenuity, the triumph of his brain. Buffalo is truly the electrical city of the age.

"Surgery," said Dr. Dickson further on in his address, "is being divided and sub-divided until at one time we feared that we were to be confronted with an appendix surgeon. Our patients are reaping the benefit of all this."

After giving briefly a history of the Association, its growth, the reasons for its existence, and the manner in which its work was carried on, Dr. Dickson concluded his exceedingly interesting address as follows :

"A rock we must avoid is that on which many a stronger society than our own has come to grief, the clique. And the furtherance of personal ambition or personal designs must be shunned."

Many suggestions embodied in the address were referred to the Executive Council of the Association.

Many Buffalo physicians attended the afternoon meeting.

The programme was made up of a series of Ten-minute Talks on Electro-Therapy.

In a brief introduction the President explained the purpose and scope of the Talks which had been prepared for the special benefit of the busy practitioner, technicalities and details being avoided as far as possible, it being intended that the Talks should be suggestive rather than exhaustive.

The Effect of Electricity Upon Tissue Metabolism, by Dr. William J. Herdman, of Ann Arbor, Mich., was read by title. The next paper was by Dr. J. H. Kellogg, of Battle Creek, on the same subject, but Dr. Kellogg also was absent ; read by title. Dr. G. Betton Massey, of Philadelphia, presented The Galvanic Current in Gynaecology.

Surgical Uses of Electricity was the subject of a paper by Dr. Charles Rea Dickson, president of the Association.

Next on the programme was a paper by Dr. G. Herbert Burnham, of Toronto, on Combined Use of Medicinal and Electrical Treatment in Some Affections of the Eye ; read by title.