

result was too slow in coming, so that I was tempted to perform Alexander's operation instead.

As this paper is entitled some successes and failures with electricity in gynæcology, I have not given a very detailed account of every case. It is rather a general stock-taking after nearly five years experience with it.

As far as I know, the harm I have done with it has been limited to one death and two miscarriages all due to mistakes in diagnosis. I believe that I have saved at least twenty women from operation and three or four from death, while I am absolutely positive, certain electrophobists to the contrary notwithstanding, that in those whom I treated with electricity but whom I did not save from operation, the operation was in no way rendered more difficult thereby, but in all probability their chances were improved, all of them having made easy recoveries.

I think it is unjust and unfair for my friend Dr. Joseph Price and others to lay all the blame of adhesions on electricity when they know as well as I do that these complications are met with in cases which have never been touched with electricity, while on the contrary they know that cases which have been treated for a year with electricity were found at the operation to be absolutely free from adhesions.

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New York October 4, 1892.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The meeting was called to order at 10.30 A.M., by the President Dr. W. J. MORTON in the Chair. In the absence of the Secretary, Dr. HURCHINSON acted as Secretary *pro tem*. The first business was election of new members.

The following names having been recom-

mended by the Executive Council for membership, were balloted for and declared elected Fellows of the Association.

Dr. Floyd S. Crego, Detroit, Michigan; Dr. H. H. Hahn, Youngstown, Ohio; Dr. A. G. Henry, Cortland, New York; Dr. Thos. W. Poole Lindsay, Ontario, Canada; Dr. W. J. Herdman, Ann Harbor, Michigan; Dr. D. S. Campbell, Detroit, Michigan; Dr. Emil Heuel, 252 Willis avenue, New York; Dr. Wm. Davis, Omaha, Nebraska; Dr. J. T. Harvey, Boston, Massachusetts; Dr. C. W. Martin, Topeka, Nebraska; Dr. E. B. Sangree, 744 South Fifteenth Street, Philadelphia; Dr. G. M. Hammond, 58 West Forty fifth street, New York; Dr. Robert L. Watkins, 325 West One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, New York; Dr. George T. Hulbert, St. Louis, Missouri; Dr. Lucy M. Hall Brown, 134 Montague street, Brooklyn; Dr. Charles R. Dickson, 161 Victoria street, Toronto, Canada; Dr. Howard Smith, Surgeon United States Navy, retired; Dr. F. Schavoir, 8 Atlantic street, Stamford, Connecticut; Dr. Ernest Wende, 174 Franklin street, Buffalo, New York; Dr. O. S. Phelps, 143 West One Hundred and Thirty-first street, New York; Dr. S. T. Anderson, Bloomington, Illinois; Dr. Spencer M. Free, Dubois, Pennsylvania; Dr. F. Semeleder, Mexico; Dr. J. Mount Bleyer, 118 East Sixteenth street, New York; Dr. Willis E. Ford, 266 Genesee street, Utica, New York; Dr. A. E. Percy, Providence, Rhode Island; Dr. D. J. Neylan, Bristol, Rhode Island; Dr. F. H. Wallace, Boston, Massachusetts; Dr. W. T. Bishop, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Dr. Holford Walker, 56 Isabella street, Toronto, Canada.

Likewise as Honorary Member.—Dr. W. Bruce Clarke, M.A., M.B., F.R.C.S., 46 Harley street, Cavendish Square, West London, England.

The Executive Session then closed, and the Association went into General Session. President W. J. Morton delivered his address, entitled "Electricity and Medical Art and Science," which was received with applause.

Reports of Committees were then called for. Report of Committee on Standard Coils. No report having been received from the entire committee, owing to lack of time, the President called for individual members of the committee.

DR. GOLET remarked that the difficulties in the way of proper coils were very great, owing, for one point to the great expense of winding coils useful for gynecology, neurology, etc. Two firms have done well in giving assistance, the Galvano Faradic Manufacturing Company, of New York, and Chloride of Silver Battery Company.

DR. HUTCHINSON reported progress in this line, speaking of what has been done.

DR. MORTON remarked that, in his opinion, it will be better to have the services of a prac-