

would take quite a little time to state now.

Mr. McKnight: I had not thought of the subject at all, but I see by the JOURNAL it has been canvassed and a variety of opinions expressed upon it. As Mr. Gemmell says, this is not the first time in the history of the association when a movement of this kind has been on foot. When it was about to pass from the hands of D. A. Jones Company into that of the present proprietors there was a pretty strong movement made in the same direction, and there were a number of the members of the association strongly in favor of taking over the JOURNAL, and in fact, I think two or three special committee meetings were held in connection with the matter. Some of the members thought it would not be a wise course. I was among the number, and I am of that opinion still. I don't entertain that opinion because of any fear I have of lack of sufficient material to conduct the JOURNAL properly; the difficulty I see in the way is a very important one, and that is, available funds. You cannot conduct the paper for nothing, and I do not think this association is sufficiently large to warrant it in undertaking the conducting of a special Journal in connection with its own proceedings.

Mr. W. J. Craig, editor: While I am not officially appointed by the publishers to make any proposals in this connection, you have been made aware through the JOURNAL that our company would willingly hand over the management of the paper to the association, if it is the desire of the membership, and it is for this purpose of finding the minds of the members of the association that our president has brought it before you. If the association does not see its way

to take the full management and control of the JOURNAL, what we want, perhaps, more than anything else just now, is your co-operation with the present management. We cannot get along very well without this. I thank the members of the association who have extended to me their sympathy—and, indeed, more than their sympathy—their help in this connection. There may have been things that you did not like, and there has been some things that our firm of publishers did not like. However, these all belong to the past.

Mr. Brown: In regard to what Mr. Craig has just said the proprietors are not over-anxious to dispose of the JOURNAL, but would dispose of it at a fair remuneration, but on the other hand with the active co-operation of the association we will have a better journal than we have had in the past; and I think that under the present management it will be all right in the future. Of course, there were some things which appeared in it that were not very pleasant to some of our members, but I question if the association was owner of the JOURNAL, to-day whether there might not appear in it things that would not be very pleasant to some of them. It is impossible to please everyone.

Mr. Heise: While I think it would perhaps be in the interest of the association to conduct a journal, my opinion would be identical with that of Mr. McKnight. Under the present circumstances I do not see how it could possibly be done with the funds available.

The President asked Mr. Couse to express an opinion upon the matter of taking over the JOURNAL.

Mr. Couse: I suppose the first matter we would need to consider would be the financial matter. I feel that we cannot afford to take it over; I feel, though, that we can