

a month. He uses a 5 per cent. solution of carbolic acid for irrigation. The moderate reaction which follows soon subsides. The joint is kept immovable for ten days.

In the evening, a very able address was delivered by the President, Dr. Vander Veer, on the *Water Supply of our Cities and Villages*.

*Third Day—Thursday, Feb. 4.*

DR. SIMMONS of Poughkeepsie read a paper on *Leprosy in Japan*. No country, he said, afforded greater evidence than Japan in support of the hereditary transmission of the disease, and many facts tended to confirm the theory of its parasitic nature.

DR. BELL of Brooklyn called attention to the danger of the spread of leprosy from the Norwegian colonists in the Northwestern States by intermarriage and in other ways.

DR. W. H. THOMSON of New York then read a paper on the *Prevention of Hemiplegia*. He laid stress on the importance of preventing sudden increase in the blood-pressure, and with this end in view he recommended small and repeated doses of corrosive sublimate, 1-30th of a grain, several times daily. The importance of avoiding stimulants and tobacco was referred to, as well as the avoidance of excess in the use of nitrogenous foods.

F. C. CURTIS of Albany read a paper on *Ringworm of the Scalp*, with special reference to its treatment. Dr. Curtis has found a chloroform solution of chrysophanic acid (7 grains to the ounce) as the most effective means in getting rid of this troublesome affection where it has broken out in children's asylums and hospitals. Without depilation, a cure can be effected by this agent.

The Committee on Nominations then presented their report, which was accepted:—

*President*—W. S. Ely, M.D., Rochester.

*Vice-President*—S. Van Etten, M.D., of Port Jarvis.

*Secretary*—W. Manlius Smith, M.D., of Syracuse.

*Treasurer*—C. H. Porter, M.D., of Albany.

DELEGATES.

*To the Canadian Medical Association*—Dr. B. F. Sherman, Dr. A. Vander Veer, Dr. W. W. Potter, and Dr. A. M. Phelps.

*To the Ontario Medical Association*—Dr. L. Howe and Dr. F. Winkel.

*To the German Surgical Congress and the British Medical Association*—Dr. A. M. Phelps.

. After a vote of thanks to the President and other officers, and to the Committees, the Society adjourned, to meet in Albany on the first Tuesday in February, 1887.