

Delegates of American medical societies and institutions, and individual members of the profession, will be admitted on equal terms. The undersigned, therefore, beg to express their hope that a large number of the distinguished men of our country will appreciate both the honor conferred by this cordial invitation and the opportunity afforded us to fitly represent American medicine.

The Congress will be held at Berlin, from the 4th to the 9th of August.

The arrangements in regard to a few general meetings and the main scientific work, which is delegated to the sections, are the same as in former sessions. A medico-scientific exhibition, the programme of which has been published a few weeks ago, is to form an ingredient part. It is to the latter that the Berlin Committee is very anxious that both the scientific and the secular press should be requested to give the greatest possible publicity.

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Washington, D. C.	New York.
WM. H. DRAPER,	WM. OSLER,
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Boston, Mass.	Philadelphia, Pa.
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Albany, N. Y.	Charleston, S. C.
A. JACOBI,	J. STEWART,
New York.	Montreal.

(In connection with the above, we append a copy of a letter received from Dr. A. Jacobi, of New York.)

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*Mr. Editor*,—In a letter dated Berlin, Karlstrasse, 19, March 22d, Dr. Lassar, the Secretary-General of the Tenth International Congress, directs me to inform the medical profession of America that a programme of the Congress and other communications will be distributed two months before the meeting amongst those who will have registered previously and received their tickets of membership.

The latter can be obtained by sending applications and five dollars to Dr. Bartels, Leipzigerstrasse, 75, Berlin, S. W. By so doing the members will save much crowding and time during the first days of the Congress.

For the American Committee of the Tenth International Medical Congress.

A. JACOBI, M. D.

#### INVITATION FOR AN INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC EXHIBITION.

In connection with the Tenth International Medical Congress to be held in Berlin, between the 4th and 10th of August, there is to be an International Medical and Scientific Exhibition. The exhibits will be of an exclusively scientific nature, as follows:

New or improved scientific instruments and apparatuses for biological and strictly medical purposes, inclusive of apparatuses for photography and spectral analysis as far as applicable to medicine.

New objects and preparations in pharmacological chemistry and pharmacy.

New foods.

New or improved instruments subservient to any of the departments of medicine, including electrotherapy.

New plans and models for hospitals, convalescent homes, and disinfectant and bathing institutions and apparatuses.

New arrangements for nursing, including transportation, baths, &c.

New apparatus in hygiene.

Applications or inquiries inscribed "Ausstellungs-Angelegenheit," and accompanied with a printed card containing the name and address of the firm thus applying, ought to be directed to the Secretary-General, Dr. O. Lassar, Carlstrasse, No. 19, Berlin, N. W. Germany.

R. VIRCHOW, *President*.

E. VON BERGMANN,

E. LEYDEN,

W. WALDEYER,

O. LASSAR, *Secretary-General*.

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#### Books and Pamphlets Received.

PRACTICAL ELECTRICITY IN MEDICINE AND SURGERY.—By G. A. Liebig, Jr., Ph. D., lecturer on Medical Electricity, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Assistant in Electricity, John Hopkins University, &c., and George H. Rohe, M. D., Professor of Obstetrics and Hygiene, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore; visiting Physician to Bay View and City Hospitals, &c. \$2.00 net. Publishers, F. A. Davis, Philadelphia.

THE NEUROSES OF THE GENITO-URINARY SYSTEM IN THE MALE WITH STERILITY AND IMPOTENCE.—By Dr. R. Ultzmann, Professor of Genito-Urinary Diseases in the University of Vienna. Translated by Gardner W. Allen, M. D., Surgeon in the Genito-Urinary Department, Boston University. Price \$1.00. F. A. Davis, publisher, Philadelphia.

(The above works will be noticed in next issue.)

THE ANIMAL SUTURE, ITS PLACE IN SURGERY.—By Henry O. Marcy, A. M., M. D., LL. D., Surgeon to the Private Hospital for Women, Cambridge, &c., &c. In this pamphlet the author details the different varieties of Animal Suture, the animals from which derived, manner of preparation and comparative tendencies to become incorporated with the tissues or to cause irritation. There is much of information and interest and of practical value.

A PRACTICAL SPLINT FOR INFLAMMATORY CONDITIONS OF JOINTS.—By F. Stillman, M. Sc., M. D., Chicago. The contents of this article can only be appreciated by reading the pamphlet itself. The splint it is claimed possesses the following advantages:—1. Extension at any angle with motion. 2. Extension at any angle with fixation. 3. Fixation at any angle. 4. Motion complete or limited. 5. Exposure of surface about the joint, allowing compression (elastic or otherwise), hot and cold applications, blisters, dressings, without disturbing the action of the apparatus.

THE FOUR COMMENCEMENTS—VALEDICTORY ADDRESS TO THE GRADUATING CLASS ('90), AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE.—By J. M. Bodine, M. D., Professor of Anatomy and Dean of the Faculty.

THE CURE OF HÆMORRHOIDS BY EXCISION AND CLOSURE WITH THE BURIED ANIMAL SUTURE.—By Henry O. Marcy, M. D., &c., Boston, U. S. A.

STIRPICULTURE; OR, THE ASCENT OF MAN.—By A. P. Reid, M. D., &c., Superintendent for the N. S. Hospital for Insane. (Read before the N. S. Institute for Natural Science, 1890). In order to elevate the race (especially the faulty classes of it) and to prevent the transmission and perpetuation of defects, moral and physical, Dr. Reid urges the following:—1. In view of the known laws of hereditary transmission those inheriting a defective organization should be prevented from perpetuating it. 2. The marriage tie should be regarded as indissoluble. 3. A correct appreciation of the dignity of labor should be exemplified and instilled. 4. Attention should be paid to moral training