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OF THE
AMERICAN MEDICAL COLLEGE ASSOCIATION.

Pursuant to the call of its President, the American Medical College Association convened in Wilkinson's Hall at Richmond, Va., at 11 A. M., May 2d, 1881.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Prof. S. D. Gross, M. D. Prof. McCaw, of Richmond, being introduced, cordially welcomed the Association to the hospitalities of the City of Richmond. Prof. R. Beverly Cole, of San Francisco, was also introduced to the Association.

Reading the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with, as the same had been printed and were distributed to the members of the Association.

After the credentials of delegates had been presented it was found that a quorum was not present. On motion, the meeting adjourned till 3 P. M.

No quorum being present at this hour, an adjournment was made to 9.30 A. M., May 3d.

A quorum still being wanting, an adjournment was made to 9.30 A. M., May 4th.

On meeting, pursuant to adjournment, the following colleges were represented :

Jefferson Medical College—Prof. S. D. Gross, M. D.

Medical Department of the University of Louisville—

Prof. J. M. Bodine.

Hospital College of Medicine—Prof. Dudley S. Reynolds.

Medical Department Iowa State University—

Mr. H. O. Bullis, of Regents, and Prof. W. F. Peck.

Starling Medical College—H. G. Landis.

Medical Department of the Universities of Nashville and Vanderbilt—
 Prof. W. T. Briggs.
 Missouri Medical College—Prof. G. M. B. Maughs.
 Kansas City College of Physicians and Surgeons—Prof. T. B. Lester.
 Medical Department of Michigan University—Prof. E. S. Dunster.
 Ohio Medical College—Prof. Jas. T. Whittaker.
 Medical College of the State of South Carolina—Prof. R. A. Kinlock.
 Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery—Prof. D. D. Bramble.
 Cleveland Medical College—Prof. I. N. Himes.
 Nashville Medical College—Profs. Duncan Eve & Deering J. Roberts.
 Chicago Medical College—Prof. N. S. Davis.
 Kentucky School of Medicine—Prof. John A. Oosterlony.
 Michigan College of Medicine—Profs. Wm. Brodie and H. F. Lyster.
 Medical Department of Arkansas Industrial University—
 Prof. P. O. Hooper.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended and the election of officers taken up. The result of the election was as follows:

President—J. M. Bodine.

Vice-President—W. T. Briggs.

Secretary and Treasurer—Leartus Connor.

The following report of the Secretary was now read:

The total membership of the American Medical College Association now includes thirty-three active members. Since our last meeting three active members have been admitted, viz., the Medical Department of Willamette University, the Medical Department of Arkansas Industrial University and the Michigan College of Medicine.

One college has resigned its membership in the Association, viz., the Rush Medical College. As our membership at last annual meeting was thirty-one, there has been a gain of two active members during the past year.

Out of twenty-eight colleges reporting, the following only have conferred the honorary degree of M. D.:

Medical Department of Arkansas Industrial University,
 Nashville Medical College,
 Chicago Medical College,
 Cleveland Medical College,
 Louisville Medical College,
 Kentucky School of Medicine.

Of twenty-eight colleges reporting, the following granted remissions or reduction of fees:

Medical Department of the University of Tennessee (Nashville Medical College),
Columbus Medical College,
Missouri Medical College,
Medical Department of the State of South Carolina,
Jefferson Medical College,
Medical Department of the University of Louisville,
Medical Department of Arkansas Industrial University,
Kansas City College of Physicians and Surgeons,
Cleveland Medical College,
Hospital College of Medicine, Louisville,
Detroit Medical College,
Louisville Medical College,
St. Joseph Hospital Medical College,
Atlanta Medical College,
Savannah Medical College,
Medical Department of University of Louisiana,
Medical Department of the Universities of Nashville and Vanderbilt,
Kentucky School of Medicine,
Starling Medical College.

Colleges reporting as required by by-law, art. vii, sec. 1, are as follows:

Kentucky School of Medicine,
Medical College of the State of South Carolina,
Nashville Medical College,
Savannah Medical College,
Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery,
Evansville Medical College,
Medical Department of the University of Iowa,
Medical College of Alabama,
Medical Department of the Universities of Nashville and Vanderbilt,
Louisville Medical College,
Kansas City College of Physicians and Surgeons,
Medical Department of the University of Wooster,
Detroit Medical College,
Cleveland Medical College,
Columbus Medical College,
Miami Medical College,
Chicago Medical College,

Missouri Medical College,
 Medical Department of University of Louisville,
 Jefferson Medical College,
 Hospital College of Medicine, Louisville,
 Starling Medical College,
 Atlanta Medical College,
 Medical Department of the University of Louisiana
 Medical Department of the Arkansas Industrial University,
 St. Joseph Hospital Medical College,
 Medical Department University of Michigan,
 Michigan College of Medicine.

The catalogues and announcements presented with these reports have been bound and are presented with this report.

Five colleges have failed to make the required reports, viz.,

Medical Department of Willamette University,
 Medical College of Indiana,
 Ohio Medical College,
 Texas Medical College and Hospital,
 Woman's Medical College, Chicago.

Accepted and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts:—

Balance on hand at last meeting	\$ 22 10
Thirty assessments at \$5 each.....	150 00
Total.....	<u>\$172 10</u>

Expenditures:—

Janitor fee at New York meeting	\$ 5 00
Printing, binding, etc.....	50 60
Stationery and express.....	8 50
Postage.....	18 00
Total.....	<u>\$82 10</u>
Balance on hand.....	\$90 00

Assessments for last year are still due from:

Medical Department of University of Iowa.
 Starling Medical College.
 Woman's Medical College of Chicago.

Adopted.

On motion, it was resolved that all the expenses of the Secretary, called for by his attendance upon the meetings of the Association, be paid from the funds of the Association.

On motion, an assessment of \$5 per college was ordered for the ensuing year.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AMERICAN MEDICAL COLLEGES.*

This committee was directed by resolution to "report to the Association at its annual meeting a list of all colleges that violate its requirements, with a full statement of the provisions violated."

Your committee have procured and carefully examined sixty-four announcements of different colleges for the year 1880-81. For more readily comparing them with the former report, we have arranged the violations in the same form as last year.

Five colleges that do not require of candidates for graduation evidence that they have studied medicine three years.

Two colleges do not require a preceptor's certificate.

Four colleges do not require attendance upon two courses of lectures.

Six colleges give the degree of M. D. to students who have attended their last course elsewhere.

In four colleges the regular term is less than twenty weeks.

Five colleges give beneficiary tickets irrespective of the limitations prescribed by the American Medical College Association.

Two colleges grant Ad Eundem degree on terms other than those required by the Association, viz., on simple examination on the practical branches.

Three colleges give their lectures during the evening.

SUMMARY.

Sixteen colleges violate some one or more of the requirements of the American Medical College Association.

Last year an examination of about the same number of catalogues exhibited the fact that thirty-five failed to show that

*Only an abstract of this report is given here.

they conformed to all the requirements of the American Medical College Association.

Forty-eight catalogues were found to conform to the above requirements.

This shows a marked improvement. Still more care in the preparation of the several announcements would place several of the sixteen in the conforming list.

It is proper to add that in all the essential elements of a medical college, a very considerable number of colleges (twenty-two) surpass the requirements of the Association.

These require one or more of the following desiderata of the best medical college, viz.: Nine months' yearly attendance; preliminary examination; three terms instead of two; real clinical work under the personal direction of a sufficient number of competent teachers.

Thus, there are sixteen of sixty-four colleges behind the requirements of our Association, and twenty-two ahead of them in one or more points mentioned above.

(Signed)

LEARTUS CONNOR,

J. M. BODINE,

E. S. DUNSTER,

Committee.

Adopted.

The names of the colleges are still withheld from publication in the belief that most will soon come up to the requirements of the Association.

The new President, Dr. Bodine, on taking the chair, appointed the same committee on Medical Colleges.

On motion, the Association adjourned to 5 P. M., at Wilkinson Hall.

There being no quorum present at adjourned hour, the Association will next meet in accordance with its by-laws.

J. M. BODINE, M. D.,

President.

LEARTUS CONNOR, M. D.,

Secretary.