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TUMORS.

DR. A. T. STILL. BY PERMISSION.

We will now consider the subject of tumors, and the whys and wherefores which the philosopher must see and comprehend before the mysteries of their induction and growth is reduced to a certainty. Once he understands the philosophy of their production, then will be dispelled the mysterious fog of antiquity, of the middle ages and of the present day gynecology, in which the discussion of the process of tumor-making has always wound up with that evasive word "However," when the writer has failed to find, demonstrate, and report the truth. We are told that tumors of the abdomen have various substances in their compound or make-up, such as hair, bone and other substances; Then our writers say that the cause and the process is a mystery. Then comes in that old nuisance again "However" and says that bacteriologists have found many formations which describes as long, short, flat, webbed and so on until has said nothing that would call forth any thought, we will not waste ammunition in combating his traditional tracts, which simply follow the broad paths that have never been traveled by the foot of a philosopher. We will not dispute that tumors have been formed and found in the abdomen of both male and female, nor will we dispute that there has been found in them bone, hair and even finger nails. One author reports to us that he thinks conception has taken place in the Fallopian tubes which accounts for the bones and hair being found in the tumor. We will not dispute the word of the recorder who has reported his observation. Let us take a lunch of reason and oil the wheels of mental determination to hunt and keep hunting until we can find some truths that will do honor to our report of the facts we have discovered. We will give notice that we will start or begin at the heart and float down with the current of blood as it travels through the aorta. We will note all the branches thrown off from the aorta as costal or intercostal supply stations. We will halt in the region of the spleen, the pancreas, the liver, the kidney, the uterus and all the organs of the abdomen. After we have obtained a thorough knowledge of the blood supply to all parts dependent on the aorta, then we will commence at the bifurcation of the iliac arteries, we will descend with them into the pelvis, then we will follow the lower arterial system as it ascends toward the middle of the abdomen. Here we will set our compass and the search-light of reason when we see the commotion of transfusion through the anastomoses of the mammary artery with the upward bound arteries of the pelvic region of the body. We know well enough that the iliac arteries do supply the material to

construct and maintain the bladder and uterus, and we know that if there is no obstruction to a perfect anastomoses and a perfect transfusion of fluid that the organs that generally show tumefaction and tumors will appear without any abnormality whatever. But, suppose we have disturbance of the mammary arteries and the deep epigastric and the uterine system should become congested by failing to receive the ascending blood at the point of transfusion where the mammary artery blends by anastomoses with the deep epigastric then we have reason to know that the failure of the blood to come up and meet descending blood of the mammary arteries both external and internal, and is the absolute cause of tumefaction. Arterial blood is full of life and imparts vitality to lymph and other substances, consequently, you have the cause and the material of which to make or build a tumor. One author says, "Fibroid" tumor. These follow as the fascia occupying the space between the lymphatic cells is taken up and vitalized by arterial action and the fibrin disorganized and turned to the formation of tumors. It is easy to comprehend that the inability to accomplish perfect anastomoses and perfect transfusion at the ascending iliac artery and the descending mammary artery gives a cause for the production of such tumors. The law of imperfect anastomoses and transfusion of blood is as trustworthy as an answer to the question. "What produces a tumor?"

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THE MANAGEMENT OF THE FIRST STAGE OF LABOR.

DR. M. E. CLARK.

On account of the numbers of inquiries concerning the osteopathic handling of obstetric cases and on account of the difference between our methods and those followed by the regulars, we will attempt in a brief way to consider this subject. The first stage of labor embraces that period which extends from the beginning to completion of dilatation of the os. Ordinarily, labor is dated from the occurrence of the bearing down pains, there being precursory pains that cause considerable discomfort and have little to do with dilatation. During the first stage, the secretions are increased in amount, the cervix is obliterated, thinned and retracted, this permitting of dilatation of the os, the bag of waters presents at the lower part of the uterus and is a potent factor in dilatation, the frequency and intensity of uterine contractions increase, and during the latter part of the first stage, the head becomes moulded and engagement occurs. These things are accomplished almost entirely by involuntary forces, hence in the management of this stage it is advisable to prevent the patient from bearing down with each uterine contraction since it does little or no good and exhausts the patient.

Normally dilatation is secured by pressure. This pressure is exerted through the bag of waters and the fetal head by the contraction of the longitudinal fibers of the uterus. This pressure inhibits the nerves which supply the circular muscular fibers thus causing them to relax and at the same time there is a process called retraction in which the cervix is drawn upward. In the normal

case the thinning of the cervix is symmetrical since the pressure is equal on all sides, it being a hydrostatic one.

The position of the patient during this stage varies with the patient and the condition of the parts. In the average case it is advisable for the patient to be up and around at least a part of the time since gravity will assist in securing dilatation. If the bag of waters is broken it is well for the patient to keep quiet so as to prevent the escape of all the fluid.

In the average case certain treatments are at least very helpful if not necessary. During the first part of this stage pressure applied at the synchondroses and over the clitoris will assist in relaxing the circular muscle fibers. The explanation of the treatment of the clitoris producing this effect is, that the same segment of the cord that supplies the cervix gives origin to the pudic nerve that supplies the clitoris and thus inhibition or stimulation of the one will affect the other by way of the segment. This treatment is given between the pains. When a pain is on, pressure, with the heel of the hand against the upper part of the posterior surface of the sacrum and the lower lumbar region, will relieve, if not entirely stop the pain, which in so many cases is referred to the back. The point of pressure is indicated by a sort of muscular contraction. In a case recently delivered by the writer, the pains were most marked in the middle lumbar region and were so severe that I could not relieve them except by strong pressure, which I gave with my knee. These pains in the back are a great deal worse immediately after the uterine contraction.

The local treatments are begun by the time the os is dilated to the size of a fifty cent piece. At first it should be ascertained whether or not the head is entering the superior strait at right angles to its plane and whether or not the cervix is displaced. In many cases the cervix is displaced upward and backward so that the pressure of the descending head, particularly in cases in which there is but little amniotic fluid and in dry labors, is directed more against the anterior than the posterior part of the cervix, thereby producing an unequal thinning, that is, imperfect dilatation of the os. The first thing to do then, would be to place the fetus in a position so that it will be at right angles with the plane of the inlet and see to it that the uterus is in normal position. The first is accomplished by external manipulation, while the second is overcome inserting the finger into the os and pulling the cervix forward so that it is almost in line with the vagina. After this is done the finger should be passed between the cervix and the fetal head in order to ascertain whether or not the dilatation is symmetrical. If the cervix has thinned more rapidly on one side than on the other, the position of the fetal head should be changed and forced against the thickened side. I usually make it a practice to rim around the os, if dilatation is interfered with at all, and in this way, the tissues are stretched, the nerves inhibited and dilatation markedly hastened. In abnormal cases, I frequently have worked from thirty minutes to an hour in this way. As the dilatation progresses often one lip becomes edematous from pressure of the fetal head against the brim, the lip having been caught between the two. In

such cases the fetal head should be forced back and gentle pressure exerted against the swollen lip, and in a short time the edema will disappear. If this is not attended to there will be severe bruising or laceration of the part, or if it is extensive, the entire cervix would be torn off, which condition is called circular laceration.

At first, only one finger is introduced to ascertain the condition of the parts. In rimming out the os, two fingers are usually used and as the dilatation progresses, more fingers are introduced into the vagina until the entire hand is introduced. The purpose of this is not only to assist in dilatation of the os, but to numb and stretch the vaginal walls in order to prepare the part for the reception of the fetal head in its descent through the parturient tract. Labor can be shortened several hours by this sort of treatment. Normally the vagina is dilated by the pressure of the fetal head, so if artificial pressure with the hand is substituted it can be seen that labor will be shortened. In addition to this, the various nerves and nerve centers located along the parturient tract are reached by this treatment.

The complications that most frequently arise during this stage are, premature rupture of the bag of waters, a rigid cervix and some interference with the normal uterine contractions, such as inertia uteri or lack of polarity. In dry labors, laceration of the cervix will invariably take place unless prevented by the above described treatment, that is, securing symmetrical thinning of the cervix. The fetal head is not always symmetrical, hence some parts of the cervix are thinned more than other parts. This can be prevented or counteracted to a great extent by the "rimming out" treatment of the os.

The rigid cervix can be at least partly overcome by inhibition over the clitoris and Bartholin's glands. If it is due to scar tissue from old lacerations, manual dilatation will be necessary. This constitutes one of the most provoking of complications, especially if it is due to disturbance of polarity. The normal uterus has a happy faculty of relaxing at one end while the other end contracts which condition is called polarity and in many a case of rigid cervix, instead of the cervical tissues relaxing at the same time the longitudinal contract, they, instead, also contract and thus the force of the contraction of the fundus is counteracted by the contraction of the circular muscle fibers of the cervix. This condition can be prevented ordinarily by ante-partum spinal treatment (see Author's article in March Bulletin). In other cases there is inertia uteri, that is, the pains are not strong enough to overcome the resistance offered by the cervix and in some they seem to be reversed, that is, they bear down but little, if at all. This condition can best be overcome by strong lumbar treatment, which seems to stimulate to greater activity, the parturition center.

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AN OSTEOPATHIC UTOPIA.

MARTHA PETREE.

Long ago, in that golden age, when our staid old mother earth was emerging

from her infancy at such a rate that to watch her growth was more enchanting than the most fascinating fairy tale of our childhood, the gentle Sir Thomas Moore wrote his well known Utopia. When he conceived of that Blessed Isle, where happiness and prosperity reigned supreme, he did no more than I have done, he did no more than you have done, many times, save that he formed his thoughts into Latin phrases, while you and I lock ours safely within our imaginations.

We, all of us, have our Utopias, and it is well that we do. Had we no "Choir Invisible" to chant to us of better and brighter things; had we no "Castles in Spain" where we could revel in all the beauties and luxuries that are there awaiting our pleasure, we would be overwhelmed with the "facts" that are piled upon us in our toilsome search for knowledge.

In this golden age of Osteopathy, when the science is young, and we are filled with the desire to know it more and better, when conquests are being won in its name, equal to those of Cortez and Pizarro are we not justified in building a modern Utopia where superstition and suffering are dethroned, and truth and health are reigning supreme? Such is my apology for this article.

When Dr. McConnell wrote his article for the February Journal of Osteopathy, he had visions of the Utopia of which I write, as he said, "Then will be the universal practice of the layman going periodically to his osteopathist to see if there are any small or insidious beginnings of disorder or disease." What that means, only the osteopath, who has watched the growth of apparently unimportant disorders, and has seen the suffering ensue which might have been avoided by judicious treatment, can appreciate.

This is a custom which we may hope to realize. The dentist is realizing it now. It has not been many years since people went to a dentist when the pain became too great to bear, or when a cavity became annoying. Now, parents who are awake to the needs of their children, send them annually or oftener to a capable dentist to see if there is work needing to be done. Those same parents will take their children regularly to the osteopath for examination just as soon as they realize the benefit of prophylactic osteopathic treatment.

It is my duty and yours to see that they realize it. People are ready to be educated, if a proper educator is available. Our system appeals to intelligent people, and they are glad to hear more of it. When we can relieve them of their suffering they will have confidence in our advice. Of course in this modern Utopia of ours, we will have none but capable osteopaths, for the laws will have been enacted which will protect the people against those who are not qualified.

Osteopathy as a system of therapeutics acknowledges no equal; but as a successful system of prophylaxis, she stands utterly alone. There is where osteopathy must show its superiority over other systems. We must demonstrate to the people that with proper prophylactic treatments much of the suffering that is now in the world might have been avoided.

In Utopia not only the osteopath but the layman will be familiar with that

great creation of divine thought, the human body. The children of the public school will be taught more of the laws of health, and will appreciate more the necessity of healthy co-operation of the body with the mind in all things that are to be worthy of their best effort. The physical man will be cultivated, not for its own sake, but as a means of attaining a higher mental and moral development.

Many of the simpler osteopathic palliative treatments will be taught in the public schools. Do you think that will cheapen our work? Our noble leader did not think it cheapened his work to teach anything he knew that would allay suffering in any way. Do you think the unprepared mind is in- of grouping the ideas? The little lad, who cured his headache, years ago by letting the swing rope press on the back of his neck, probably did not know the scientific reason for it, but he drew the inference that pressure in that region stopped the pain in his head. The human race will be thankful for any thing that will relieve its throbbing head. It may not be a scientific cure, but it will be a grateful relief. Do you fear such public teachings will infringe upon the doctor's practice? The true physician ministers to suffering humanity in the best way he can without regard to selfish aims. How much is the money Dr. A. T. Still has made worth to him, compared with the conscious ness that his life has been a blessing to humanity? We, as physicians, can do no better than to emulate the example of his life, which is so nearly like that of the Great Physician.

If this article seems visionary, remember it is only a dream. Time will tell us if it is to be realized.

CASE REPORTS.

LOLA L. HAYS.

One of the most annoying and unsightly things is a goitre, and often before the patient consults an osteopath, he has applied iodine, and otherwise doctored at the enlargement, until it is tough and fibrous. In spite of this, in most cases the osteopathic treatment is successful. One time I heard the Old Doctor say, "Look well to the clavicles when there is a goitre," and this advice has proven invaluable to me—for in ten successive cases, the cure depended upon correction of clavicular lesions. In some of the cases other lesions were present. Notably, tightening of anterior cervical tissues, but in no case was the clavicular lesion absent.

CASE 1. Goitre of six months growth. Lesions at fourth cervical, clavicles tightly bound down. Eight treatments corrected the trouble. The enlargement of the glands disappeared after third treatment. There has been no return of the trouble in three years time.

CASE 2. Goitre—exophthalmic—eight months growth. Careful correction of sterno-clavicular lesions affected cure. Growth entirely disappeared at end of six weeks. Palpitation of heart, due to reflex disturbance, entirely relieved. Slight return of trouble at the end of one year, but readily relieved.

CASE 3. Goitre of twenty years standing. General health of patient very poor. Constant irritation producing distressing cough. All cervical tissues stiff and contracted. Sterno-clavicular lesions marked. Lesions at second to fifth cervical, and third to sixth dorsal vertebrae. Correction proceeded but slowly, and with many discouragements. Long periods of seemingly no progress. Four months of treatment produced good results, only slight enlargement remaining. Cough disappeared. General health much improved, but the age of the patient (sixty-five years) and many complications, render complete cure very unlikely. In eight succeeding cases, which were uncomplicated, the cure depended upon correction of clavicular lesions or cervical and clavicular, but in no case was the latter lesion absent. My treatment was always mainly directed to the clavicles.

Neuralgia of the stomach, both chronic and acute, yields nicely to the osteopathic treatment, and the patient is particularly grateful that there is no after effect of drugs to contend with. In acute attacks, gentle inhibition over the solar plexus, and strong at the fourth and fifth dorsal gives relief. While cure, must, of course, depend upon treatment received between attacks.

The middle dorsal lesions usually cause this trouble and it disappears with the entire correction of those lesions. The results in these cases are most gratifying and the trouble so common that one soon gets experience with it. A patient cured of so painful a thing is all the "promotion" one needs in a community.

One of the ills most prolific in its season is grippe. This makes the osteopath glad of his profession, for relief and cure in such cases, are readily effected. Great relief in the early stage is often obtained by thorough treatment in the lumbar region. Verily one touch of grippe makes the whole world kin.

One of the most gratifying branches of practice, especially to the women of the profession, is the treatment of children. Children usually yield readily to treatment in both acute and chronic diseases. They are easily handled and are apt to be hopeful and cheerful. Still, there is often intense anxiety, especially in doctoring infants. The changes for worse, as well as better, are so rapid.

The little life seems to hang by so slender a thread, that the least change for the worse would end it. Never does one need more firmness and courage, to be able to best attend the patient and to reassure the mother. It is in these of his profession, if he never did before.

AXIS CLUB RECEPTION.

The Axis club gave a reception to the ladies of the freshman class on the evening of March 14th.

Dr. Young delivered the address, which was excellent. The president of the club also made a very timely and interesting talk. This we are fortunate enough to print in full.

By reading these two addresses graduate members can see that the club is

endeavoring to lift the social functions into the realm of scientific discussion and not deteriorating into a place of meeting for small social club chat.

Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served and many danced through the Mazes of the Virginia Reel and engaged in pleasant conversation which promoted acquaintance between the stranger students and our Axis sisters.

Mrs. F. P. Young and Mrs. Warren Hamilton honored us by their presence.

Miss Prater's remarks were as follows:

What is woman's mission?

This important question, often propounded by those who fail to recognize her fitness to enter the numerous vocations, which the customs of centuries places at man's disposal has been ably answered by the American woman.

She has invaded the realms of Blackstone, studied the profound philosophies of Hippocrates and Andrew Taylor Still, and proclaimed the teachings of the lovely Nazarene from the sacred desk.

She has caught the beautiful coloring of morning's rosy tint and spread it on the canvas; she has evoked the queen of the muses and filled the souls of her listeners "with concord of sweet sound." Her chisel has given form and expression to the shapeless marble; her versatile pen fails not in portrayal of of human thoughts and emotions

Nor is this all.

Her influence reaches the affairs of government.

In this great democracy where achievements of men in toils of war and triumphs of peace have won the admiration of the world; uncrowned queens are holding in their hands unseen scepters, the torch light of a better, purer civilization.

To her, as an educator, man delegates the training of the American citizen, the future statesman, and the defenders of the common-wealth.

When the instrument of franchise is no longer denied her, then will the blessings of Liberty be vouchsafed to those who dwell in "the land of the free and home of the brave."

To accomplish this, woman has not left her allotted sphere, the home; nor will she ever depart from it. Contented she remained within the four narrow walls enclosing her cherished fireside until a restless civilization required her to cross the threshold and build defenses for that sacred precinct. We are here today in the interest of the home.

The many wants of humankind call for ministrations that only a woman's hand can give, but the mission can not be accomplished unaided and alone.

To dignify their purpose, to strengthen and encourage the individual, to promote interest in a common cause, federations have come into existence.

The manifold duties, which engage the attention of the physician, have made necessary an osteopathic organization among women.

A federation, chartered under the laws of the great state of Missouri, having for its high purpose the advancement of women, and recognizing her true worth in the science of osteopathy is worthy of most careful consideration. Such an

organization is the Axis club, and, like the great science it represents, it stands alone desiring no alliance.

Four hundred representative women have gone forth to their life work from these halls, encouraged and benefitted by their affiliations with this club.

When we, who now assemble here, are commissioned as physicians to render our services to humanity we go not alone to our destiny. A sisterhood awaits our coming, welcomes us to the scenes of activity and sustains us in our days of uncertain trials.

We are known beyond the limits of one small village and when the American Osteopathic Association assembles in National Convention we are received with dignity and honor, for among the leaders of that learned body are Atlas men and Axis women.

We believe the best interests of prospective members have been carefully considered by the founders of the society. They deemed it wise to consider no one eligible to membership who had not completed the freshman term in the A. S. O.

When the few remaining weeks of the present semester have gone by and you desire to avail yourselves of the advantages and opportunities of the Woman's Osteopathic federation—the Axis club—we shall be proud to receive you.

We shall be most happy to serve you, to have you claim our friendship and command us wherein we can aid you.

The sincere interest of Axis women will ever be accorded you as co-workers with them in the elevation of noble womanhood and the great cause of osteopathy.

Axis Who Have Paid Up.

Almeda J. Goodspeed, Clara Mahaffey, Rebecca Magill, Effie Sisson, Mae V. Hart and Eliza Edwards.

BIRTHS.

Drs. W. A. and Grace R. McMains of Crawfordsville, Ind., Feb. 14, 1905, a daughter.

Dr. and Mrs. M. E. Clark, March 23, 1905, a daughter.

Dr. and Mrs. L. Von H. Gerdine, March 29, 1905, a son.

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KIRKSVILLE, MISSOURI, APRIL, 1905.

Inasmuch as we have found the work of editing The Bulletin more than we felt justified in doing gratis, the club has returned to its former custom of paying the editor for his services and requiring him to do the work, without the assistance of Atlas reporters.

Some inconvenience has been caused those who have their Bulletins bound by the frequent changes in the size of the bulletin. The Club has experienced the same inconvenience but we felt that we could not afford to pay one dollar for a page containing four hundred two ems, when we could increase the size to fifteen hundred seventy-six ems or approximately four times the amount of reading matter for an increase of only ten cents per page.

During our short period in office we have made one hundred sixteen changes of addresses. Some of these to be sure had moved many months before but had never notified the Club of their removal. We have in many instances obtained the correct addresses of readers of the Bulletin from the Osteopathic Physician or the Journal. Many others are sent us by the Postmaster at the old address. If you move and do not notify us please do not write after several months for the Bulletins you have missed. We send them to the address we have and if you want them, send one cent stamp to your old address and if you have not delayed too long they will be forwarded to you.

The San Antonio Gazette of March 25th contained the argument favoring the Hanger bill which was prepared by Drs. Peck & Noonan. The Hanger bill provides for an osteopathic board of examiners and has passed the senate but we learn it has small chance in the house. Drs. Peck and Noonan presented in this article the strongest defense of osteopathy that it has ever been our pleasure to read. This article would be a great educator for the laymen and should receive wide circulation. We presume it could be secured and printed in pamphlet form for a nominal sum. Drs. Peck & Noonan deserve great credit for the work they have done for the advancement of osteopathy in the Lone Star State.

We are in receipt of a letter from Dr. George W. Riley in which he suggests an excellent method of adding scientific interest to the Bulletin.

Dr. Riley advises that we watch the dissection room closely, in order that we may discover any osteopathic lesions which may occur in the cadavers. Following out this suggestion, we have obtained permission to photograph any lesions we may find. We also wrote Dr. S. S. Still concerning this proposition and he kindly consented to do what he could to aid us. At the present time, there is nothing at either college which would show up in a cut but we hope soon to be able to secure valuable material from this source.

In the establishment of a query column, we also expect to present something of benefit to our readers. In this connection, we might state that it is not the desire of the editor to detract any from the interest of the Ladies' Home Journal. We decline to answer any questions on "My Ladies' Toilet and Her Laws of Etiquette." Nor do we propose to conduct a "Chaperone's Corner" or have "Side Talks with Young Men." It is our purpose to give the practitioners an opportunity to ask questions about difficult problems which sometimes confront them.

Many questions of this nature are received by members of the faculty especially by Dr. Clark. As it is now, only the one receiving the letter gets the benefit of the reply. If you will send your queries to The Bulletin, we will publish them and the reply to them.

Questions on obstetrics, gynecology or applied anatomy will be answered by Dr. Clark, on physiology and pathology by Dr. Gerdine, chemistry and kindred subjects by Dr. Dobson, contagious and infectious diseases by Dr. Link, and nervous diseases by Dr. George Laughlin.

It is with a great deal of pleasure we announce the reinstatement of Drs. J. Falkner, Guy E. Loudon, L. C. Kingsbury, Harry M. Loudon and J. E. P. Holland. In his letter enclosing check, Dr. H. M. Loudon says, "I will not plead forgetfulness, poverty or anything other than an unsettled question in my mind as to whether or not the Atlas club was going to keep up its standard." Apparently it is so I enclose the amount due.

The reasons given by the others, with the exception of Dr. Holland, as to why they allowed themselves to become in arrears, were similar to Dr. H. M. Loudon's. Dr. Holland in replying to the Pylorus' letter, which we published in our last issue said: "I fess up, here is your four dollars."

Dr. Loudon's reasons would have been legitimate ones had they been true which he firmly believed them to be until he learned more of the character of men now being taken into the club.

We believe there are many others having the same opinion but how they got it is a mystery to us. The club is exercising every possible precaution in admitting men. We suggest to those who are still in doubt regarding

this matter, that they write members of the faculty and assure themselves as to the exact condition existing.

From our correspondence of the past month we have obtained many good suggestions which appear in our items from the field. We would particularly call your attention to the letters from Drs. Fiske, Peck and Ivie. Drs. Peck's and Ivie's letters show the value of membership in the Atlas club.

The greater portion of us no doubt, are proud of the fact that we are members of one or the other of the pioneer osteopathic organizations. Probably many have never considered this advantage from a financial standpoint. Without doubt the most of you are treating patients sent you either directly or indirectly by members of these clubs. It must be apparent to all that as we increase in strength our membership becomes all the more valuable.

Dr. Fiske's plan does not appear to us in the light of an Atlas and Axis "Utopia" for as he says, "Atlas and Axis osteopaths are, as a rule, successful osteopaths, financially as well as clinically." Should this suggestion be adopted it will undoubtedly not only benefit the clubs as a whole but also the members individually as the added attraction of a permanent home would be an unequalled factor in maintaining our present standard. The question of permanent quarters has long been considered but, as there has always been a possibility of the school's moving, no action has ever been taken thereon.

The establishment of The Citizens Bank and the building of the \$25,000 hospital together with other improvements leave no doubt as to the permanency of the present location of the A. S. O.

Since the three year course has been established and special post-graduate work provided and knowing as you do that many new osteopathic truths are constantly being discovered and demonstrated it stands to reason that many of us will sooner or later return to our Alma Mater for further instruction. How pleasant it would be on returning to Kirksville to find a nice building, well equipped for the advancement of our science and owned by the clubs.

Let us not allow this to pass as an idle suggestion. We can have this building if we will. Who thought fifteen years ago that a \$100,000 building would ever replace the modest little room then occupied by Dr. Still in teaching the first principles of Osteopathy. This grand structure crowns the efforts of one man's work, surely we, seven hundred strong, can erect a building suitable for our purposes.

From the Field.

The Journal states that Dr. S. R. Meaker has opened a branch office in the Rawlins Blk., Skaneateles, N. Y.

Dr. T. W. Sheldon of San Francisco, Calif., has moved from 927 Market St. to 970 Market St., Suite 501.

Dr. A. M. Oswald of the last class is now well established at 507 East Penn. Ave., South Bend, Indiana.

Dr. J. A. Overton's greetings to the club are of the substantial kind. He enclosed his dues for 1905 and 1906.

Dr. Thomas L. Davis announces his location as Suite 6, The Rock Hill Supply Company Building, East Main St., Rockhill, S. C.

In sending his dues for 1905, Dr. C. N. Maxey, says, "My warmest feeling are with the Atlas club—long may it live and prosper."

Dr. H. A. Downs of Oil City, Pa., says, "It is a pleasure for me to pay my dues and be identified as a member of the Atlas club"

Drs. R. D. Stelle and E. A. Plant of the last class have located in the Fay Building, Los Angeles, Calif. Dr. Stelle has rooms 405-6 and Dr. Plant 407-8.

Dr. C. I. Stephenson is at present at home, i. e., with his parents at Seward, Neb., resting up. Dr. Stephenson has not decided upon a location but expects to "get busy" soon.

Dr. E. A. Montague announces that he has associated with him Dr. Harriet F. Rice. Drs. Montague and Rice are located at Rooms 15 and 16, Gross Building, Eureka, California.

Dr. Homer Stewart of the last class is doing well at Monticello, Ill. He says, "I have to work hard but enjoy it and it seems so nice to see a dollar once in a while." We imagine it would.

Dr. Herman K. Sherman takes occasion to extend greeting to the club, while sending his dues for 1905. He also says, "I enjoy The Bulletin very much, it contains many good things from month to month."

Dr. S. G. Morris notifies us of his change of address as follows: "We have changed our location from 404, 5th Ave., to 530, 5th Ave., McKeesport, Pa. Dr. Morris is practicing with his wife Dr. Emma C. Morris.

From Dr. Warren E. Atkins, Clinton, Ill.: "It always affords me great pleasure to recall the associations and good times we used to have at the old Atlas hall. Kindest regards to all the members of the club."

Dr. John Wesley Maltby is now located at 531 Mooney-Brisbane Bldg., Buffalo, N. Y. Dr. Maltby considers The Bulletin worth one dollar a year and would remain a member of the Atlas club if he received no other benefit.

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Dr. A. N. Ovens voices our sentiments, when he writes: "I hope that those whose names have been so unfortunately put into print, may not take offense, but on the contrary, become reinstated and continue loyal Atlas men."

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Dr. J. E. P. Holland of Bloomington, Indiana, has been appointed as the osteopathic member of the state board of medical registration and examination. We congratulate Dr. Holland and the Indiana osteopaths upon his appointment.

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Dr. E. C. Ray writes: "I have been located here two months and have been waiting patiently for The Bulletin. Only recently I learned that you did not know my address." Dr. Ray is located in the Homestead Building, Nashville, Tennessee.

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Dr. A. C. McDaniel is now located at 521 12th St., Oakland, Calif. Although Dr. McDaniel has been in the field several years but he has not forgotten the Atlas club and shows his appreciation of membership in it, by using its emblem on his stationery.

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Dr. L. S. Irwin of Washington, Pa., is enjoying a very lucrative practice, he goes to Canonsburg three times a week. During his first five months Dr. Irwin states that he had very little practice but it has been on the steady increase ever since.

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Dr. C. W. Proctor writes that he is very busy just now, but may be able to send us an article for the May Bulletin. We are greatly in hopes that Dr. Proctor will be able to spare the time to prepare us something as he is one of the strongest writers in the profession.

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Dr. Edward Mattocks is enjoying the sunny clime of Southern California while awaiting the arrival of his furniture. He says he enjoys the fruit very much and is spending his spare time real pleasantly visiting the nearby towns. Dr. Mattocks will practice in Riverside.

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In response to our request in the March issue for the address of Drs. Addie Wenig and E. C. Ray, Dr. Clyde Gray sent us Fort Wayne, Indiana, as the probable address of Dr. Wenig. We are pleased to notice that Dr. Gray has "Member Atlas Club" on his letter head.

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Married, at New Castle, Ind., March 23rd, Dr. Walter Dobson, of Middle-

town, Ind., and Miss Adaline Hunt, of New Castle, Ind. Dr. and Mrs. Dobson will make their future home at Hartford, Ind., where the Doctor has recently located for the practice of his profession.—Journal.

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We quote the following from Dr. L. C. Kingsbury's letter to the Pylorus:

"I am very much surprised that any of the field members, should not be willing to contribute financially to the support of the club. Why? The poetry written by my friend Sisson is worth a years dues."

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Dr. J. Falkner writes: "I saw a suggestion for the field members to help build up the club library by each one, or as many as would, to donate a book. I think the suggestion a good one and if adopted let me know, and I will send a volume." Dr. Falkner's book has arrived, many thanks.

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Dr. Edwin N. Hansen of Pittsburgh, Pa., has found it necessary to open a branch office down town. The new office is located in the Arrott building. Dr. Hansen says, "This became necessary as our Infirmary was so far from the business section and so many business men desired treatment."

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E. H. Cosner: "Some of the men dropped recently were among the strongest and best men in the profession, am very sorry, indeed, to see them leave our ranks." The club too, regrets to see these gentlemen "leave our ranks" and will be only too glad to reinstate them if they will send in the amount due.

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Dr. A. G. Hildreth informs us that he has not forgotten his promise to write an article for The Bulletin. Neither have we and we shall be very glad to receive it. Dr. Hildreth is one of the busiest men in the profession, especially at the present time, as he is kept busy looking after the legislative work in various states as well as managing the sanitarium in St. Louis.

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Dr. L. W. Allen, June, 03, of Middlebury, Vt.: "I have a good practice for sale and would be pleased to correspond with any Atlas brother in regard to same. I must sell to attend to other business. I often wonder if you have the good times now that the club enjoyed when I was in Kirksville, if so you will ever treasure your membership as an Atlas man."

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Dr. C. P. McConnell: "I am glad to note that you are desirous of improving The Bulletin. There is no reason why the field members should not help you materially. There is some feeling among the field members that the initial club spirit is lacking. Of course as to who is at fault if any one, it is impossible to say."

Dr. McConnell wrote the above some little time ago. We are sure he will soon see that the idea of the "initial spirit" being lacking is an erroneous one.

From William Horace Ivie:

Enclosed please find two dollars (\$2.00) as per statement of recent date.

After looking over the March Bulletin, I began to wonder if membership in the club was financially worth while. I referred to my books and found that I have received directly and indirectly from, and through, patients sent me by other Atlas men during my twenty months practice here one thousand, two hundred and nineteen dollars (\$1,219.00). So I won't kick if the club does not. Best wishes to the club.

Dr. Orren E. Smith writes, "Enclosed please find dues for 1905." "I would not feel inclined to pay such dues if it were not for The Bulletin. I do not consider that field members should pay for the fun of resident students." We agree with Dr. Smith that "field members should not pay for the fun of resident students," and we are glad to be able to assure him that they do not. The income of the club is used to publish a bulletin for the benefit of its field members and to better prepare its student members for the practice of osteopathy.

Dr. Franklin Fiske has an article in the March number of The Alkaloidal Clinic on "Osteopathic Treatment of Hypermetropia."

After entering into an intelligent discussion of the disease from an osteopathic standpoint Dr. Fiske cites a case which he cured in one treatment. The case in question was that of a boy fourteen years old. The trouble was due to a lesion of the axis and disappeared soon after the treatment. The boy's father is an M. D. and was present at the time Dr. Fiske removed the lesion. He adds interest to the article by contributing a signed statement vouching for the assertions of Dr. Fiske.

From C. V. Fulham:

I must heartily commend your business like method of fetching up arrears.

I am sorry that some of the brothers take offense because they are published as delinquents. Certainly we all understand how easy it is in the busy life of a physician to neglect the payment of the yearly subscription. I trust the fellows will be loyal enough to consider this a business method, rather than an attempt to force any one into squaring.

I enjoyed the March Bulletin and hope it will continue to grow.

I wish you would convey my best wishes for a successful year to both clubs, and to the new Atlas men would say I wish you the benefit from your membership that I received while in school. While we often miss the club associations we are very much pleased with our location.

Owing to the growth of their practice, Drs. Still and Hazzard of New York City, have found it necessary to provide more space for its accommodation, and have opened new and commodious quarters in the Astor Court Bldg., 18

West 34th St. This is one of the most select buildings in the city, and the location for practice is unexcelled. Their quarters consist of six treatment rooms, office, reception-room, and private office, all conveniently arranged and tastefully appointed.

They will be here amply provided with room in which to care for the business that their marked success in practice is bringing them.

For the present, they will retain, also, their old quarters at 19 East 38th St., where Dr. Still will be in charge. Dr. Hazzard will be found at the new location, where, after Oct. 1st, he will be joined by Dr. Still, and where after that time, all their business will be conducted.

EDITOR OF THE BULLETIN:

In reply to your appeal in the February issue, asking for a permanent club home, I wish to make the following proposition:

When I left the A. S. O., there were, as I remember it, between five and six hundred field members of the two clubs. Now if each member, or if five hundred of them, would each donate ten dollars, this would provide a fund of \$5,000, of which \$1,000 could be used to purchase a suitable site, leaving \$4,000, with which a very fair club house could be erected. The local chapter could easily furnish the house with the money now expended in rents. The two clubs are legally incorporated, with regular trustees, and could legally accept the management of the fund.

Literary college fraternities are often housed in Chapter homes built by graduate members, whose individual donations are often more than ten-fold above amount asked of each Atlas and Axis osteopath, and as Atlas and Axis osteopaths are, as a rule, successful osteopaths, financially as well as clinically, this plan, or some similar one, should be entirely feasible. I trust you may bring this plan to the attention of the field members.

Yours fraternally,

FRANKLIN FISKE.

From Dr. Paul M. Peck:

EDITOR ATLAS BULLETIN:

Permit me to thank you for the pretty "bouquet" which you were kind enough to throw to me in the March issue of the "Bulletin," which I have just read together with the February issue. I am delighted with the improvement in the club journal and would like also to express my pleasure in reading Dr. McConnell's excellent article of last month.

It is gratifying to note what assurance you give us concerning the personnel of the present membership of the Atlas club, for occasional reports have been circulated which would lead one to conclude that the ballot had not been as sacredly guarded to keep up the standard of membership along the lines suggested by Dr. Fred Fassett as expressive of the original aims of the organization. It has been my privilege to treat many transient tourists in San Antonio and I never fail to ascertain their home address and urge them to continue

with their local D. O. and my Atlas club directory is always the first consulted. Many of our club members have had reason to know that it pays to retain "field membership" from the financial standpoint if from no other, through cases I have been privileged to send them. I presume the same is true of many other of our brothers. We all wish to feel in future as we have in former days that membership in the Atlas club was a guarantee of high standing from the professional standpoint and that we could conscientiously recommend an Atlas man as an able exponent of osteopathy. The memory of the many profitable and delightful hours spent in the Atlas rooms while a student, is among the choicest reminiscences I retain of Kirksville life. Should I ever lapse in dues again, please draw on me for the amount due and you will have my thanks and obligation. You may say to the other members who may be in doubts as to the desirability of remaining a part of the "skeleton" after leaving college, that they may not see direct evidence of the value of their membership, but the influence I referred to above is working just as unconsciously and some day it will descend upon them in their particular field, and they may be able to trace some good patient to the recommendation of an Atlas man who favored them by reason of that membership.

I am just recovering from an attack of typhoid fever which assailed me while I was at Austin lobbying for the bill we had introduced this session of the legislature. I spent a month over there and succeeded in getting the bill passed through the senate on Feb. 5th. We were about ready to call it up in the house when my illness caused a delay and now we may fail because of the shortness of the session left for business, but we hope to get the bill called up next Thursday. Osteopathy has had a great advertisement through our efforts even if we do not pass our bill. The medical men made a very vicious fight against us and we feel that we won a considerable victory by getting the bill through the senate and now we have a fair chance in the house if we can have sufficient time to get action.

I have more confidence than ever in the osteopathic treatment of typhoid. Dr. Noonan managed to break my fever on the fifteenth day and the rapid recovery which has followed cases treated by our system is beginning to cause comment. I may have something to say before long to the members of the club with reference to my experiences with typhoid in the south.

Must close now with best wishes for your continued prosperity and a wish that you may always be successful in removing the lesion.

Axis Notes

Dr. Isabelle Morelock departed for her work in the field Saturday, April first. The warm regard and best wishes of the club go with her to her new home in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dr. Laura B. Dinsmoor writes us from her office in Louisville, Ky. She not only pays up her dues but sends kindest greeting and "all good wishes for the success of the club." We hope soon to have reports of some of the hard cases she promises and in return wish her success in changing all her cases in the future into easy ones.

We are in receipt of a pleasant note from Dr. Susie A. Sheldon, Weedsport, N. Y. She encloses dues and says she's "always glad to get the Bulletin." Thanks sister. We are trying to make it both interesting and beneficial and request the help of all graduate members in this work. Interesting articles or reports of instructive cases will be welcomed.

Dr. Nannie J. Chappell, 202 Odd Fellows Bldg., St. Louis, Mo., sends "love and best wishes to the girls of the club" together with a check for dues—both are appreciated and the expression of sentiment cordially reciprocated.

Dr. Bessie C. Childs writes as follows: "I have not lost my interest in the club. I only wish I might drop in and enjoy the meetings once more. My wishes are always for the success of the club." She also pays up dues and sends notice of a change of location. Her address is now 803 Grand Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

It is with most sincere regret that we learned of the death of Mrs. Boyce, the mother of Miss Dora Boyce, one of our most valued Axis sisters.

Therefore, let it be resolved, that we, the Axis club, extend to her our heartfelt sympathy, in this time of her great bereavement and also let it be resolved that a copy of these resolutions be published in the Bulletin and a copy be sent to Miss Boyce at her home.

The Axis club was pained to hear of the death of Mrs. McCullough, the sister-in-law of Mrs. Brownlee.

Resolved, that we, as a club, express our grief, and extend to her our sympathy.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to Mrs. Brownlee and that they be published in The Bulletin.

We take pleasure in announcing the names of the following new members: Miss Inez Wells of Waxahachie, Texas, who is a member of the junior class.

Dr. Elma Harbert who graduated with the June class of 1902 and successfully practiced at Richmond, Mo., from her graduation until June, 1904. At this time she was compelled to return to her home in Kirksville to rest and recuperate health. She is now taking the post-graduate course and expects to return to Richmond immediately after graduation.

Mrs. Catherine Compton of Cropsey, Ill. Her husband is buyer for the Rogers Grain Co. of Bloomington, Ill.

Miss Ethel Kent Traver of Churchtown, N. Y., graduated from Hartwick Seminary, and expected to study to be a trained nurse, but took up osteopathy in preference.

Mrs. Olive C. Waller from Eugene, Oregon, has been a teacher for twenty

years, nine years of which time were spent in Eugene. Becoming convinced of the superiority of osteopathy as a profession she gladly gave up her successful career as a teacher to engage in this most noble of the healing arts.

Miss Augusta Nichols of Lewes, Delaware, graduated from the National Homeopathic Hospital at Washington, D. C., and then engaged in nursing in that city practicing exclusively in private families. She became interested in osteopathy and the Axis Club through the influence of Dr. Alice Patterson of Washington.

Mrs. Ella Hull of Bowling Green, Ohio, whose husband, Mr. William Hull, is interested in the oil fields and wells of Ohio. Mrs. Hull has been a successful teacher and contributor to the columns of the newspapers of her county.

Miss Martha Foss of Cincinnati, Ohio, is a trained nurse, who changed professions because of benefit received from osteopathy.

Miss Mary Walters of Mount Healthy, Ohio, also a trained nurse; she was influenced to study osteopathy because through it she was saved from an operation after five medical men had said it was the only hope of saving her life.

Miss Margaret Bowen of Ruskin, Virginia, had a little cousin seven years old, who had never walked. This child was helped by osteopathy, hence Miss Bowen took up the study.

All these new members except Miss Wells and Dr. Harbert are from the sophomore class.

Atlas Notes.

Owing to a typographical error Dr. G. William Krohn's name has been carried as Dr. G. A. Krohn.

Dr. R. E. Hamilton has resumed his duties at the A. S. O., after an absence of two weeks due to sickness.

Mr. Leonard Davis of Memphis, Mo., spent several days last week visiting his brother, D. L. Davis of the senior class.

Several books of fiction have been added to the library. We hope to see many more before our next issue.

J. J. Walker of the senior class took charge of the junior division, in the absence of Dr. Clark, March 16. Tommy is a hummer.

Dr. Geo. W. Reed of Worcester, Mass., stopped in Kirksville a few days this week. Dr. Reed was returning home from a trip to Denver.

Messrs. Clapp and Vanderburgh accompanied the ladies basket ball team to Quincy, Ill., and witnessed a victory for our girls with a score of 43 to 6.

An error occurred in our last issue when we asked for the address of Mrs. Morgan. Dr. Morgan is located at 903 Eighth Ave., So., St. Cloud, Minn.

Ralph Meyers and R. L. Davis of the last class were recent visitors at the club. They were on their way to Kansas City, Mo., where they expect to locate.

Our new members are fast becoming acquainted with the workings of the

club. Many of them are already occupying positions on important committees. They are active and valuable workers.

As Mr. Sweetman, president of the Junior class, was ill on the evening of the freshman reception, brother R. P. Colter read the welcome address. Mr. Colter has a pleasing style of delivery.

The club intends having its file copies of The Bulletin bound. We are short the March 1902 and March 1903 numbers and would greatly appreciate it if someone would supply us these issues.

While touring the square in quest of ads, we encountered several club members shopping. They were using the Bulletin as a guide. This is as it should be. The leading merchants advertise in the Bulletin.

The seniors decided almost unanimously to have the club picture taken by Moore. As this has always been a bone of contention it was decided to settle the matter early. For once no hard feeling was engendered and all the members will be in the picture.

Dr. W. D. Dobson has taken charge of the sophomore's special work for both clubs. Dr. Clark has the junior and senior divisions. The club is fortunate in having such able members as Drs. Clark and Dobson, who will conduct this important feature of our work.

New chairs and altars have been provided for the lodge room. Those formerly used by the club were the property of the G. A. R. The old veterans have for several years held their weekly meetings in this room. They have found more congenial quarters in the court house.

Dr. Clark, brothers Reese and Clapp and Mr. Johnson of the freshman class, took a drive to the Chariton, Saturday, March 11th. The primary object of the trip being to bag a few ducks, in this they were not very successful as they winged but one bird. However, they very much enjoyed the outing.

Dr. Geo. M. Laughlin has been indisposed for several weeks and has been unable of late to conduct clinics. Dr. George is greatly missed in this important capacity and we hope for his immediate recovery. Drs. Charlie Still, Young, Dobson and Link take their turn in conducting the clinic for the present.

The club extends its sympathy to Mr. J. H. B. Scott whose father died at Houston, Pa., Dec. 12, 1904. Mr. Scott left for his home about the middle of November and was unable to return until recently. He was a member of the junior class but lost so much time that he concluded it better to continue the course with the sophomores.

Mr. E. Collier of Edinburg, Illinois. Mr. Collier was engaged in High School work for seven years prior to coming to Kirksville. He first became interested in the science through his friend, Rev. Robert Chipperfield, who had been cured of a supposedly incurable disease by Dr. Carter of Springfield, Ill. Rev. Chipperfield became very enthusiastic over osteopathy and being a graduate of Drew University and a very scholarly man, Mr. Collier had much faith in his judgment. After becoming personally acquainted with Dr. Carter and

learning more of the science he concluded that he would prefer the practice of osteopathy to high school teaching, though the position he had so long and faithfully filled had again been tendered him. His wife is also a member of the sophomore class, and his daughter is attending the Normal.

The following sophomores have become part of the grand skeleton since our last issue:

J. H. Robuck of Denver, Colorado. Mr. Robuck was a member of the Robuck Spraying Company of that city. For several years he had suffered from headache, which medicine failed to relieve. Despairing of this sort of treatment he took treatment soon effected a cure and influenced him to take up the study of osteopathy.

Frank E. Root of Boston, Massachusetts. Mr. Root was an entry clerk in a wholesale paper house in Boston. The success of his brother, Jesse A. Root, also an Atlas man, who graduated in February, '01, encouraged him to make osteopathy his profession. When asked why he did not attend the Boston school since he was a resident of that city, Mr. Root replied that he thought it better to study the science where the Boston faculty had, than to study under them.

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OPEN LETTER TO GRADUATE MEMBERS.

(Authorized by vote of the Axis club at regular session, March 29).

The Axis club is in receipt of letters from students of several different osteopathic schools of recognized standing desiring instructions as to the organization of new chapters.

If there is a national organization either permanent or temporary and a committee on charters is in existence, we, as a club, respectfully request any one or all of the members of such committee, or any officer of such organization, to write immediately to our corresponding secretary for the information we have received in these letters. We consider the matter an important one and are anxious that steps be taken at once to organize chapters in other schools. Should the national organization be unable to further the matter, we think it the duty of the Odontoid chapter to proceed according to Article I, Section 6, of our constitution.

Graduate members of Odontoid chapter are requested to send immediately after reading this letter an expression of opinion which shall be considered in the nature of a vote. A period of two weeks will be allowed from the time of the issuing of this Bulletin before the consideration of the question by the active members at a regular session of the club. Only the answers of those members whose dues are paid up to that date will be considered as it is the intention of the club to strictly enforce Section 3 of Article X in our By-laws.

For the benefit of some who may not have copies of the constitution and by-laws we print in full the sections referred to, as follows:

Article I. Section 6. "Upon payment of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) a chapter shall be furnished with a charter, constitution, by-laws, ritual, and secret work of the club, which shall remain the property of the National Organization, to be returned upon demand of the Grand Charter."

Article X. Section 3. "Any member becoming three months in arrears for dues shall be notified of the same by the Secretary and, upon the refusal or neglect of such member to pay such arrearage within one month of the time of such notice, the Secretary shall report the same to the chapter, which by a majority vote of the members present, may suspend said member."

Very respectfully,

ANNIE Mc BROWNLEE.

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TO THOSE IN ARREARS.

In our correspondence with field members relative to payment of dues a few have advanced various reasons, why they should not pay. We will give these reasons and try to answer them.

1. Why should we pay for the dances given by the club?
2. Why should we help to pay for receptions given to members of the incoming classes?
3. I would continue my membership, but do not care to pay the back dues.
5. I would continue paying, but I understand the former high standard of membership has not been sustained.
5. The Bulletin is of no interest to me.
6. The Atlas club is of no value to me in the field.

ANSWERS.

1. Whatever was the custom formerly, it is a fact which can be proven at any time, that for several years not one penny of the club funds has been expended for these dances, but the expense is borne entirely by those who attend.

2. Is it not necessary to extend courtesies to the incoming students so that we may become acquainted with them, gain their good will and have an opportunity to select the membership material we want? Furthermore, even in organizations devoted to the most serious purposes it is found necessary to introduce an occasional leaven of sociability and enjoyment.

3. What would you think of a patient, who fully able to pay, proposes to continue taking treatment, providing you will relinquish any claim for past services? Does this excuse not savor of a declaration in bankruptcy?

4. Without in any way disparaging the active membership of any former period we are prepared to assert, that at no time was the standard of average membership any higher than at present. It is true, occasionally mistakes are made, not only by taking in a less desirable candidate, but also in keeping out a good man, but such mistakes have and always will be made.

5. If the Bulletin is of no interest to you have you ever contributed of your knowledge to make it better?

Perhaps you are in a position to furnish an instructive article from the fulness of your professional experience, or at least an interesting field-note. Or, if in arrears would not your dues help to furnish the club with means to make improvements?

6. We are in receipt of letters from some of the best men in the field, di-

rectly contradicting the statement that the club is of no value to a field-member and does it not rest directly with the graduates to make the Atlas club of even more influence and consequent benefit to themselves?

Field-members should bear in mind that after all, the burden of the work and expense is borne by the active membership, made up of men, who, in the vast majority of cases, are without income for the time being, and not demur at paying any delinquencies and the small annual dues.

If in arrears, appreciate the generosity of the club in waiting on your convenience and make amends by paying up promptly.

Let us all help to maintain the pioneer, osteopathic association and make it an ever stronger power for good.

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QUERY COLUMN.

DR. STILL:

DEAR SIR.—

Your name was give me as Doctor.

I have a son that has been in some trouble most of the time under some doctor or other—but don't cure him. we think sometime he is better—but in a few days as bad as ever. What do you cure and your price, and terms.

He was born Dec. 26th, 7:50 a. m., 100 miles north of Salt Lake City. I would be pleased if will send by return and oblige.

The above was handed us by Dr. M. E. Clark. As to the prognosis, if delivery could have been deferred till 8 a. m. We think the prognosis would have been favorable, as it is we must be guarded as to what we promise.

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AXIS FIELD NOTES.

Other graduate members who have paid up dues are Dr. Mary E. Harwood, Kansas City, Mo.; Dr. Endora Hallam, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Emma C. Fager, Havana, Ill.; Dr. Lola L. Hays, Wyanet, Ill.; Dr. Elizabeth M. Ingraham, Dr. Clara Beall, Syracuse, New York; Simmie Maxwell, Reading, Pa. We thank these ladies who have responded so promptly in payment of dues and much appreciate all the good wishes for the club expressed in their letters.

Dr. Effie Feather left for Laurel Miss., on the morning of April fifth. We wish her success in her new location.

Drs. Harbert and Platt gave interesting and instructive talks about their experiences in the field at the session of Wednesday, April fifth.

Dr. Bertha O. White has moved from Titusville, Pa., to 1116 Liberty St., Franklin, Pa.

Dr. Frances Platt who has been practicing at Crawfordsville, Ind., has returned for a post-graduate course of seven months. She intends to practice in Michigan where a diploma showing a three years' course is necessary. She is now on the treating staff at the A. S. O.

We are glad to hear good news of Dr. Carrie P. Parenteau. She is located at 6334 Woodlawn Avenue, Chicago, has a number of regular patients and good prospect for more. May success attend her. We appreciate her kind remembrance of the Axis club and are always glad for the expression of continued interest on the part of our graduate members.

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