

THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY.

XXX.—PROCEEDINGS.

Annual Meeting, Friday, Dec. 2, 1881.

The meeting was called to order at 8:40 P. M., Prof. A. R. LEEDS in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, and after correction, were approved.

The President had no report.

The Board of Directors had no report.

The Treasurer reports that we had a balance on hand at last annual report of \$342.62; received for dues, etc., for 1881, \$1,262.95; total, \$1,605.57; expenditures for 1881, \$1,270.31, thus leaving a balance on hand of \$335.26. From this, however, several due bills are to be paid, which, when paid, would leave in the treasury about \$275. On motion, the Treasurer's report was duly accepted.

The Librarian then stated that some books needed binding. The report was duly accepted.

The Curators then reported that the Society had been presented with a fine microscope.

Dr. LEEDS then stated on behalf of the Committee on the Endowment Fund, that the fund is progressing slowly. He mentioned a new contribution of \$50, and stated that the Fund is now approaching the sum of \$10,000.

After which the election of officers and committees was in order.

Dr. SQUIBB here stated his desire to have his name withdrawn from the list of Vice-Presidents.

After some remarks by Messrs. CASAMAJOR and NICHOLS, his withdrawal was accepted with regret.

After which the Chair appointed Messrs. CASAMAJOR and GROTHE to act as tellers in collecting the ballot. The following gentlemen were voted for

For President.

Profs. MORTON and MALLETT having received the largest number of votes, it became necessary to elect one of these gentlemen, as there was not a majority of votes in either case.

Dr. SQUIBB moved that the Secretary cast an affirmative ballot for Prof. MALLETT. This being seconded, was carried unanimously.

The Secretary then cast an affirmative ballot, thus electing Prof. J. W. MALLETT as President.

For Vice-Presidents.

Mr. NICHOLS then moved that the tellers cast an affirmative ballot for the candidates having the largest number of votes.

It was then amended to lay this on the table. On motion, this was unanimously carried.

After which Mr. NICHOLS moved that his first motion be accepted. Duly carried.

The tellers then cast an affirmative vote for Messrs. LEEDS, WALLER, PRESCOTT, HABIRSHAW, GOESSMAN and LUPTON.

The rest of the ticket was duly elected.

After which Dr. ALSBERG stated his desire to resign. Some remarks and nominations by Messrs. NICHOLS, ELLIOTT and GEYER then followed, after which Dr. ALSBERG's resignation was accepted.

Mr. BENJAMIN then nominated Dr. SLOANE as Treasurer. It was moved that the tellers should cast an affirmative vote for Dr. SLOANE. This being seconded, was duly carried.

The tellers then declared Dr. SLOANE elected. Mr. BENJAMIN then nominated Mr. HALLOCK to take Dr. SLOANE's place on the Committee of Nominations. This was carried by acclamation.

It here became necessary to elect three more Directors, to fill vacancies caused by resignations.

The following gentlemen were then nominated: Messrs. MOORE, EMER, RICKETTS, GEYER and HERRESHOFF.

It was here moved that the nominations be closed. Carried unanimously.

Dr. SQUIBB then moved that the meeting be adjourned till the second Friday of the month, in order that the papers announced might be read. On motion, this was duly carried.

Mr. ELLIOTT then mentioned the sudden death of Dr. JOHN LIPPS, and stated that only \$7 were found on his person, and with \$300 debts.

Mr. ELLIOTT then moved that a committee of four be appointed to look after and collect the necessary funds for his burial.

This motion was duly carried.

Mr. NICHOLS then made the following amendment: That Mr. ELLIOTT be appointed as a committee of one, and that he have power to add to his list at discretion. Carried.

The tellers then announced that Messrs. RICKETTS, HERRESHOFF and GEYER had been elected as Directors.

After which the meeting adjourned.

The total list of officers for 1882 is as follows:

President,

Prof. J. W. MALLET.

Vice-Presidents,

A. R. LEEDS,

W. M. HABIRSHAW,

E. WALLER,

CHAS. A. GOESSMAN,

A. B. PRESCOTT,

N. T. LUPTON.

Corresponding Secretary,

P. CASAMAJOR.

Recording Secretary,

JAMES H. STEBBINS, JR.

Treasurer,

T. O'C. SLOANE.

Librarian,

GEO. PROCHAZKA.

Curators,

A. G. ROSSI,

WM. RUPP,

A. A. FESQUET.

Committee on Papers and Publications,

ARNO BEHR,

A. R. LEDOUX,

H. ENDEMANN.

Committee on Nominations,

ARTHUR H. ELLIOTT,

J. P. BATTERSHALL,

O. H. KRAUSE,

J. B. F. HERRESHOFF,

A. E. HALLOCK.

Directors,

A. R. LEEDS,
E. WALLER,
JAMES H. STEBBINS, JR.,
GEO. A. PROCHAZKA,
C. F. CHANDLER,
J. B. F. HERRESHOFF,

W. M. HABIRSHAW,
P. CASAMAJOR,
T. O'C. SLOANE,
H. ENDEMANN,
W. E. GEYER,
H. MORTON,

P. DE P. RICKETTS.

JAMES H. STEBBINS, JR.,

Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ENDOWMENT FUND.

For the information of the members not intimately conversant with the business difficulties with which the foundation, in this country, of a national organization of chemists has been attended, it should be stated that the proposition to endow the publications of the Society, grew out of the great burden entailed by the attempt to publish a journal at frequent intervals. The design in so doing was to afford to all of the members an opportunity for the prompt publication of their original researches, and, in addition, with the aid of a corps of abstractors, to supply a summary of the most valuable matters published abroad. This entailed a great deal of labor upon the Editor and other members of the Publication Committee, and upon the gentlemen who assisted them. It resulted in a handsome volume of 621 pages for the year 1879, and a volume of 480 pages for the year 1880. That the volume for the past year has been of less size, has been due to the fact that the Society has not had sufficient money to pay for a larger one. But it has continued the JOURNAL with all the resources at its disposal, and will continue to do so, avoiding at the same time incurring any debt.

To make this JOURNAL as honorable and useful to the profession in this country as possible, and as it should be to comport with the dignity of a national organization of chemists, a larger annual income than that afforded by the annual dues, is imperatively necessary. The appeal has met with a favorable response from most of the manufacturing chemists thus far applied to, and we doubt not that the sum required could be speedily raised if the wants of the Society were made known to all. An endowment fund of this char-

acter, would guarantee the perpetuity of the publication of the *JOURNAL* and the Society itself, and though the past year has been one in which but a very limited amount of matter could be published, for the reason above given, success in procuring the moderate sum still required to complete the endowment, would usher in a period of far greater prosperity and usefulness than the Society has as yet enjoyed. The list of the subscribers is given below:

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS TO THE ENDOWMENT FUND OF \$15,000 OF THE
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY.

The interest of this sum, it is thought, will cover the annual deficit arising from the expenses connected with the Publication of the Society. The collection of the amounts subscribed, is contingent upon the raising of the entire sum.

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E. WALLER.....		100 00
E. R. SQUIBB.....		100 00
P. CASAMAJOR.....		100 00
A. R. LEEDS.....		100 00
JAS. H. STEBBINS, JR.....		50 00
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