

REGULAR MEETING, MAY 2, 1890.

Vice-President Breneman in the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted.

Dr. Wm. McMurtrie, N. Y. Tartar Co., 83 William street, was elected to membership, and Lt. W. R. Quinan, of Cal. Powder Wks., Pinola P. O., Cal., was elected to Associate membership.

The following applications were received: Chas. A. Catlin, Rumford Chemical Works, Providence, R. I., as a member; D. F. Lucas, M.D., Brooklyn, N. Y., as an Associate member.

The subject of the revision of the Constitution was then presented for discussion. The Chair stated that the full text of the proposed new Constitution still lacked a few sections to be passed upon by the Board of Directors before presentation to the Society, and suggested that a meeting be called within two weeks at which the amendments proposed could be presented for full discussion, that they be then printed and sent to out of town members so that the vote could be taken at the June meeting.

A lengthy discussion took place upon the interpretation of the article in the present Constitution on the subject of amendments.

Dr. Hale held that under this article the Society has no authority or power to modify amendments originated and presented by the Board of Directors. Mr. Wainwright held to the contrary, and, the Chair being called upon, ruled that the Society had no such right, that the amendments must be passed upon by the Board of Directors and then presented to the Society. The Chair was sustained in this ruling by a vote of nine to two, two members not voting.

It was then moved that the Society meet again on May 16 to consider the amendments as officially presented. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Wainwright moved that the session be resolved into a Committee of the Whole to recommend its wishes upon the subject of revision to the Board of Directors. Seconded and carried. The chairman of the meeting was made chairman of the Committee of the Whole. The proposed Constitution was then read section by section and discussed.

It was then moved that Committee of the Whole arise. Carried. The meeting was then adjourned.

CHAS. F. MCKENNA,
Recording Secretary.