and from sleeping close to the windows, thereby rendering the mucous membranes receptive to germ implantation."

They order these things better in Europe; on some of the Continental lines special coaches are provided for consumptives, and these are constructed with particular reference to ready cleansing and disinfection at the end of every trip—which, it should be noted, are much shorter than the "runs" in this country, and the need of precautions is, therefore, and for so much, greater here than abroad.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Status of an Eclectic.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 14, 1894.

To the Editor:—I hope you will answer with care the question of Dr. Q. C. Smith, on page 86 of your JOURNAL. Three Eclectics have just formally applied for membership in our local society—our Society being auxiliary to the AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION—and some of our members are in a quandary. Two of these applicants are members of a local, eclectic medical society, and one is President of the State Eclectic Medical Society, and I understand they wish to retain membership therein. The three are all excellent gentlemen, without a personal enemy in the Society, but they are graduates of the *Eclectic Medical Institute* of Cincinnati, and some of our members hold them not eligible under the Code. They have never, by card, sign or otherwise, announced themselves other than simple "physicians," and furthermore, consultation is never refused them by their "regular" brethren. Indeed, some who bring forward the Code argument against admitting them, confess to meeting them in consultation whenever asked.

Personally, I am strongly in favor of admitting these applicants; and not only these, but all other *intelligent medical gentlemen* who will sign our Constitution and By-Laws, which include the Code of Ethics of the AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

"Regular" intolerance has been the bane of our profession and the key-stone of the success of all 'pathies.

Very truly yours,

J. F. BALDWIN, M.D.

ASSOCIATION NEWS.

Notice.—Officers of Sections are requested to hand in all remaining Section papers at once, as owing to the greatly enlarged size of the JOURNAL they will be reached earlier than heretofore. There are several Sections from which no papers have been received.

Section on Ophthalmology.—The Transactions of the Section on Ophthalmology of the AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION for 1894, will be published in separate volume, uniform with 1891 and 1892; the cost per volume being, as heretofore, \$1.00. The publishers of the JOURNAL desire to know the exact number of subscribers before commencing the volume. If you desire a copy of the Transactions please notify me, enclosing amount.

Very truly,

LEWIS H. TAYLOR, Secretary.

41 South Franklin Street, Wilkesbarre, Pa., July 2, 1894.

Blank Applications for membership in the ASSOCIATION at the JOURNAL office.

SOCIETY NEWS.

The regular monthly meeting of the York County (Pa.) Medical Society was held August 2.

The Nicollet County Medical Society will meet at the State Hospital, St. Peter, Minn., August 11, at 7:30. Dr. Baker will present two cases of Huntington's chorea.

Southern Minnesota Medical Association.—At the annual meeting of the Southern Minnesota Medical Association, held at Winona Aug. 2-3, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. B. McGaughey; Vice-Presidents, S. W. Ransom and A. S. Adams; Secretary and Treasurer, H. H. Witherstine. The next annual meeting will be held at Rochester, Minn.

Mitchell District Medical Society.—At the meeting of the Mitchell District Medical Society held at West Baden, Ind., July 25-26, the following officers were elected: President, Dr. J. A. Eastman, Indianapolis; Vice-President, Dr. Chas. W. Murphy, Salem, Ind.; Secretary, Dr. G. W. Burton, Mitchell, Ind.; Chairman Committee on Program, Dr. Samuel Kennedy, Shelbyville, Ind.; Chairman Committee on Arrangements, Dr. J. G. M. Yost, Mitchell, Ind. The next meeting will be held at Mitchell, Ind., Dec. 27-28, 1894. Arrangements are being made for one of the largest and most successful meetings in the history of this Society.

Iowa Public Health Association.—The fourth annual session of the Iowa Public Health Association will convene at Des Moines, Iowa, Thursday, and Friday, Sept. 6 and 7, 1894, at the Capitol Building. The meeting will be one of unusual interest and a large attendance is expected. Occurring as it does during the State Fair week reduced rates are assured to all who wish to attend. This Society has upon its roster the names of some of the most noted scientific men and women within the State. Bear in mind that this is *not* a medical society. While many of the subjects are clearly allied to medicine and can not be divorced from it, yet physicians are in no sense an essential, though an important and honorable part of the Association. All persons interested in the prevention of sickness and in the promotion of the highest type of physical well-being, are cordially invited to become members. Physicians, lawyers, clergymen, school teachers, newspaper men, mechanics, artisans, farmers, officers in civic and military services, are all eligible to membership; and it is especially desirable that health physicians, mayors of cities and towns, presidents of boards of township trustees and township clerks shall be present and take an active part in the proceedings. Every point of sanitary science will be touched upon by some of the most prominent sanitarians of the State. We have the honor of enlisting among our collaborators the following persons who will address the meetings: J. F. Kennedy, Des Moines; E. H. Carter, Des Moines; Henry Sabin, Des Moines; A. R. Amos, Des Moines; W. W. Harris, Sioux City; Paschal Davis, Keokuk; J. F. Kempker, New Burlington; J. S. Stevens, Cedar Falls; F. W. Weiland, Dubuque; H. L. Getz, Marshalltown; A. P. Hanchett, Council Bluffs.

All persons wishing to prepare and read papers will please send their names with title of paper to the Secretary at once.

J. F. KENNEDY, Pres.,
Des Moines, Iowa.
P. J. FULLERTON, Sec.,
Raymond, Iowa.

The American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists will hold its seventh annual meeting at Toronto, Ont., Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Sept. 19, 20 and 21, 1894, to which a cordial invitation is extended to the medical profession. The following is the preliminary program, sub-