Association News.

The Committee on Medical Legislation of the American Medical Association.

The Committee on Medical Legislation of the American Medical Association met at the Holland House, New York, June 7, 1903. The following was adopted:

Resolved, By the Committee on Medical Legislation of the American Medical Association, that by virtue and in pursuance of the authority vested in it to devise means for the better promotion of needed legislation relative to the public health and to the medical profession, it hereby creates a committee,

First. To be known as the National Auxiliary Congressional and Legislative Committee of the medical profession of the United States.

Second. To consist of one legally qualified practitioner of medicine in each county of each state and territory of the United States and in the District of Columbia.

Third. To be appointed by the Committee on Medical Legislation of the American Medical Association on nomination by the president of each state and territorial medical association.

Fourth. It shall be the duty of each member of the National Auxiliary Congressional and Legislative Committee to bring all and only such matters of pending legislation as may be referred to him, either by the legislative committee of his respective state or territorial medical association or by the Committee on Medical Legislation of the American Medical Association, to the attention of the medical profession and the people of his respective county, and by every honorable means, personal and political, individual and professional, private and public, direct and indirect, secure and desired action thereon by his representatives in both branches, as the case may be, of the state legislature or of the Congress of the United States. And it shall be his further duty promptly to report all such efforts on his part, first, relative to state legislation, to the chairman of the committee on legislation of his state medical association, and, secondly, relative to national legislation, to the chairman of the Committee on Medical Legislation of the American Medical Association.

Resolved, That the chairman of Committee on Medical Legislation of the American Medical Association is hereby directed (a) to procure from the president of each state and territorial medical association nominations for such National Auxiliary Congressional and Legislative Committee; (b) to formulate a list of the chief executive and legislative officers of the United States government and of the government of each state and territory; (c) to collate necessary information relative to the executive and legislative departments of the American Medical Association and of each state and territorial medical association; (d) to formulate a list of the officers of each state and territorial board of health and medical licensing board and (e) to secure a brief summary of proposed legislation, state and national. And he is further directed to arrange the information thus collected into a Congressional and Legislative Directory of the American Medical Association.

Resolved, That these proceedings, together with the Congressional and Legislative Directory above indicated, be published as the interim report of this committee, first, by installments in *THE JOURNAL of the American Medical Association*, and subsequently in book form, the latter to be issued in anticipation of the congressional and legislative season of 1903-4.

By the Committee,

CHARLES A. L. REED, Chairman.

Medical Organization.

Hill County (Texas) Medical Society.

The physicians of Hill County met at Hillsboro, July 11, and organized in conformity with the plans of the state and National associations.

Polk County (Ark.) Medical Society.

The physicians of Polk County met at Mena, June 18, and organized a county medical society with the following officers: Dr. Walter L. Magness, president; Dr. L. B. Sutherland, vice-president; Dr. Philip R. Watkins, secretary, and Dr. William Parks, treasurer, all of Mena.

Santa Rosa County (Fla.) Medical Society.

On call of Dr. J. Harris Pierpont, Pensacola, counselor for the district, the physicians of Santa Rosa County met at Milton, July 3, and organized a county medical society, with Dr. Charles E. McDougall, president; Dr. Wm. Austin Mills, vice-president, and Dr. Henry E. Eldridge, secretary and treasurer, all of Milton.

Whitley County (Ind.) Medical Society.

Dr. Albert E. Bulson, Jr., Fort Wayne, counselor for the 12th Congressional district, met the physicians of the county at Columbia City and organized a county medical society on the basis suggested by the American Medical Association. Dr. Oliver V. Schuman was elected president; Dr. Frederick G. Grier, secretary, and Dr. William F. King, treasurer, all of Columbia City.

Bexar County (Texas) Medical Society.

Physicians of Bexar County met at San Antonio, July 9, and organized a county medical society. The constitution and by-laws as outlined by the American Medical Association and endorsed by the Texas State Medical Association were adopted. The following officers were elected: President, Dr. Thomas T. Jackson; vice-president, Dr. William M. Wolf; secretary, Dr. Thomas E. Moore; and censors, Drs. John S. Lankford, Dabney, Berrey, and William E. Luter, all of San Antonio.

Webster County (Iowa) Medical Society.

On June 27, on call of Dr. Charles H. Churchill, counselor for the tenth district, a meeting was held at Fort Dodge to organize a county medical society. The constitution and by-laws recommended by the American Medical Association were adopted. The following officers were elected: President, Dr. Robert Evans, Fort Dodge; vice-president, Dr. Orville E. Evans, Gowrie; secretary, Dr. William W. Bowen, Fort Dodge, and treasurer, Dr. Floyd B. Olney, Fort Dodge.

Wright County (Minn.) Medical Society.

Physicians of Wright County met at Buffalo, July 2, and organized a county medical society, according to the plans of the state and National organizations. Dr. Edwin Y. Chilton, Howard Lake, was elected president; Dr. Albert F. Lynch, Monticello, vice-president; Dr. Edward A. Shannon, Buffalo, secretary, and Dr. G. M. F. Rogers, Buffalo, treasurer. Drs. Theodore J. Catlin, Delano; Arthur L. Hill, Monticello, and Timothy O'Connor, Maple Lake, were elected censors.

Societies.

Santa Clara County (Cal.) Medical Society.—At the annual meeting and banquet held in San Jose, June 17, the following officers were elected: President, Dr. William T. McNary, San Jose; vice-presidents, Drs. James T. Harris, San Jose, and David A. Beattie, Santa Clara; secretary, Dr. J. L. Asay, San Jose, and treasurer, Dr. William D. McDougall, San Jose.

Yale Medical Alumni Association.—The annual meeting and banquet were held in New Haven, June 22, at which the following officers were elected: Dr. J. Francis Calef, Middletown, Conn., president; Drs. Frederick B. Sweet, Springfield, Mass., W. S. Miller of Michigan, Edward W. Goodenough, Waterbury, Conn., Homer T. Partree, Blandford, Mass., and John Edward Lane, Hadley, Mass., of the class of 1903, vice-presidents.

Sioux Valley Medical Association.—The semi-annual session was held at Fort Dodge, Iowa, June 26. The following officers were elected: Dr. Van Buren Knott, Sioux City, Iowa, president; Drs. Charles H. Churchill, Fort Dodge, Iowa, and Frederick A. Sedlacek, Tyndall, S. D., vice-presidents; Dr. Maxwell E. Silver, Sioux City, secretary (re-elected), and Dr. Samuel A. Brown, Sioux Falls, S. D., treasurer. Sioux City was selected as the meeting-place in January, 1904.

Alumni Association of the Medical Department of the University of Texas.—The annual meeting was held in Galveston, May 30, at which the following officers were elected: President, Dr. John T. Moore, Galveston; vice-presidents, Drs. H. B. Decherd, and C. D. Cantrell, Galveston, and Miss M. Giddings, Brenham; secretary, Dr. Herbert F. Sterzing, Austin; treasurer, Dr. H. O. Sappington, Galveston; orator, Dr. S. H. Grant, Rugby, and alumni editor, Dr. Louis H. Kirk, Austin.

GERMAN GYNECOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.

Tenth Congress, held at Würzburg, June 3 to 6, 1903.

The President, Professor Hofmeier, in the Chair.

The questions appointed for discussion were: Extrauterine Pregnancy and Prolapse Operations.

Extrauterine Pregnancy.

The addresses on the first subject were by J. Veit of Erlangen and Werth of Kiel, who discussed both the anatomy and treatment. Veit attributes the severe hemorrhage into the abdominal cavity in case of ruptured tubal pregnancy to the deportation of villi. If a vein beneath the peritoneum becomes filled with villi the blood current is arrested and the vein ruptures. When the rupture occurs the resistance at this point is