Presidents and Annual Meetings of the
Essex County Medical Society

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In this report, a list of the Presidents of the Essex County Medical Society from its founding in June 1816 to 2005 is presented, as is a numerical list of the Annual Meetings of the Society from the first meeting on 4 June 1816 to the present. These lists are derived from a study of the archives of the Society that are in the Special Collections of the George F. Smith Library of the Health Sciences at the University of Medicine and Dentistry, Newark, N.J., and from a tabulation of the Presidents of the Society from 1939-2005 by Arthur Ellenberger, Executive Director of the ECMS.

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Arthur Ellenberger compiled the list of Presidents of the ECMS from 11 May 1939 to the present on 23 May 2005, starting with Royal A. Schaaf, M.D. (1939-1940). On 23 May 2005 the senior living past president was Harvey P. Einhorn, M.D. (1966-67).

At some time following the meeting on 11 May 1939, the Minutes failed to state the sequential number of the annual meeting. The annual meetings were, however, conduced in the month of May each year from 1939 henceforth, so the sequential number of each annual meeting can readily be computed as follows: 1940 (125th), 1950 (135th), 1960 (145th), 1970 (155th), 1980 (165th), 1990 (175th), 2000 (185th). Thus: 2001 (186), 2002 (187), 2003 (188), 2004 (189), and 2005 (190).

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1. John D. Williams 4 June 1816- p. 1
The officers elected were: John D. Williams, President; Uzal Johnson, Vice-President; Joseph Quinby, Secretary; Samuel Hayes, Treasurer. His biography is in Clark, Medical Men (1867), 43-4.

The next General Meeting of the Society was on 10 June 1817. The Minutes were prepared by Augšt R. Taylor, Cor. Sec. (p. 11). The following officers were “duly elected”: John D. Williams, President; Abraham Clark, Secretary; Samuel Hayes, Treasurer (p. 13).

The next General Meeting of the Society was on 9 June 1818. The officers elected at this meeting were J. D. Williams, President; Abr. Clark, Secretary; Samľ Hayes, Treasurer (p. 18).

2. Uzal Johnson 4 May 1819- p. 19
At the meeting on 4 May 1819, the following officers were elected: Uzal Johnson, President; Isaac Pierson, Vice President; Abraham Clark, Secretary; Samuel Hayes, Treasurer (p. 19). His biography is in Clark, Medical Men (1867), 44-5.

At the meeting on 2 May 1820, the following officers were elected: Uzal Johnson, President; Isaac Pierson, Vice President; Samuel Hayes, Treasurer; Abraham Clark, Secretary (p. 23).

At the meeting on 6 March 1821, the following officers were elected: Uzal Johnson, President; John Ward, Vice President; Samuel Hayes, Treasurer; Abraham Clark, Secretary (p. 27).

At the meeting on 5 March 1822: Uzal Johnson, President; John Ward, V.P.; Samuel Hayes, Treas.; Abraham Clark, Sec. (p. 31).

At the meeting on 4 March 1823: Uzal Johnson, Pres.; William Ellison, V.P.; Abraham Clark, Sec.; Samuel Hayes, Treas. (p. 36).
At the meeting on 2 March 1824: Uzal Johnson, Pres.; William Ellison, V.P.; Abraham Clark, Sec.; Samuel Hayes, Treas. (p. 40).

3. Isaac Pierson 1 March 1825 p. 49
At the meeting on 1 March 1825, the following officers were elected: Isaac Pierson, Pres.; William Ellison, V.P.; Abraham Clark, Sec.; Samuel Hayes, Treas.; Abraham Clark, Librarian (p. 49).

At the meeting on 6 March 1826, the following officers were elected: Isaac Pierson, Pres.; Wm Ellison, V.P.; J[abez]. G. Goble, Sec.; Sam'l Hayes, Treas.; Abr'm Clark, Librarian (p. 53).

4. William Ellison 6 March 1827- p. 61
At the meeting on 6 March 1827, with President Isaac Pierson presiding, the following officers were elected: William Ellison, President; John Ward, V.P.; J. G. Goble, Sec.; Samuel Hayes, Treas.; Abr'm Clark, Librarian (p. 61).

At the meeting on 4 March 1828, the following officers were elected: Wm Ellison, President; Jn'd Ward, V.P.; J. G. Goble, Sec.; Sam'l Hayes, Treasurer; Wm W. Day, Librarian (p. 68).

5. John Ward 3 March 1829- p. 72
At the meeting on 3 March 1829, the following officers were elected: John Ward, President; Joseph S. Dodd, 1st V.P.; J. G. Goble, Sec.; Samuel Hayes, Treasurer; Wm W. Day, Librarian (p. 72).

At the meeting on 2 March 1830, the same officers were re-elected (p. 81).

6. Samuel Hayes 3 May 1831- p. 95
At the meeting on 3 May 1831, the following officers were elected: Samuel Hayes, President; Joseph S. Dodd, V.P.; J. G. Goble, Sec.; Ab'm Campfield, Treas.; L. A. Smith, Librarian (p. 95).

At the meeting on 1 May 1832, the following officers were elected: Samuel Hayes, President; Wm Pierson Jr., V.P.; Sam'l H. Pennington, Sec.; Ab'm Campfield, Treas.; I[Isaac]. M. Ward, Librarian (p. 99).

7. William Pierson Jr. 7 May 1833- p. 107
At the meeting on 7 May 1833, the following officers were elected: William Pierson Jr., President; Ab'm Campfield, V.P.; Sam H. Pennington, Sec.; W. Nichols, Treas.; I. M. Ward, Librarian (p. 107).
At the meeting on 6 May 1834, the same officers were re-elected:  (p. 112).

8. Abraham Campfield  5 May 1835-  p. 116
At the meeting on 5 May 1835, the following officers were elected: Abm Campfield, President; J. G. Goble, V.P.; Stephen Conger, Sec’y; W[Whitfield]. Nichols, Treas.; I. M. Ward, Librarian (p. 116).

9. Jabez G. Goble  7 May 1836  p. 120
At the meeting on 7 May 1836, the following officers were elected: Jabez G. Goble, President; George R. Chitwood, V.P.; Stephen Conger, Sec.; Whitfield Nichols, Treas.; Samuel H. Pennington, Librarian (p. 120).

10. George R. Chitwood  2 May 1837-  p. 131
At the meeting on 2 May 1837, the following officers were elected: George R. Chitwood, President; Cora Osborn, V.P.; Stephen Conger, Sec.; Whitfield Nichols, Treas.; Samuel H. Pennington, Librarian (p. 131). Cora Osborn was perhaps – but probably was not – a woman. The name is first found in 1828, p. 64; sometimes spelled Corra Osborn; it appeared as late as May 1849, p. 183, and also probably as “C. Osborne” in 1859, p. 212.

11. Cora Osborn  1 May 1838-  p. 134
At the meeting on 1 May 1838, the following officers were elected: Cora Osborn, President; Waldo Brown, V.P.; Stephen Conger, Sec.; A. W. Reeves, Treas.; Samuel H. Pennington, Librarian (p. 134).

At the meeting on 5 May 1839, the officers were re-elected (p. 138).

12. Whitfield Nichols  5 May 1840-  p. 145
At the meeting on 5 May 1840, the following officers were elected: Whitfield Nichols, President; S. E. Arms[?], V.P.; Stephen Conger, Sec.; A. W. Reeves, Treas.; Saml H. Pennington, Librarian (p. 145).

At the meeting on 4 May 1841, the following officers were elected: Whitfield Nichols, President; S. E. Arms[?], V.P.; William T. Mercer, Sec.; A. W. Reeves, Treas.; Samuel H. Pennington, Librarian (p. 155). William T. Mercer’s death is memorialized in vol. 2, p. 280.

13. S. E. Arms[?]  (also spelled Armes, p. 161, 164)  3 May 1842-  p. 161
At the meeting on 3 May 1842, the following officers were elected: S. E. Arms[?], President; S. H. Pennington, V.P.; A. W. Reeves, Treas.; Wm T. Mercer, Sec.; S. H. Pennington, Librarian (p. 161).

At the meeting on 2 May 1843, these officers were re-elected (p. 164).

14. Samuel H. Pennington 7 May 1844- p. 166

At the meeting on 7 May 1844, the following officers were elected: Drs. Pennington, President; [Abm] Coles, V.P.; Mercer, Sec.; Pennington, Librarian; Reeves, Treas. (p. 166). Dr. S. H. Pennington was President of the Medical Society of New Jersey at its 83d annual meeting on 8 May 1849 (See [Wickes], *Proceedings of the New Jersey Medical Society*, 442).

At the meeting on 6 May 1845, the following officers were elected: Saml H. Pennington, President; Abram Coles, V.P.; A. W. Reeves, Treas.; Wm T. Mercer, Sec.; Saml H. Pennington, Librarian (p. 167).

15. Abraham Coles 5 May 1846- p. 171

At the meeting on 5 May 1846, the following officers were elected: Dr. Ab’m Coles, Pres.; J. Q. Stearns, V.P.; A. W. Reeves, Treas.; Wm T. Mercer, Sec.; Jnº F. Ward[?], Librarian (p. 171). Dr. Abraham Coles was President of the Medical Society of New Jersey at the Centenary Anniversary in January 1866 (Clark, *Medical Men*, [1867], 62-3).

At the meeting on 4 May 1847, these officers were re-elected. (p. 175).

16. J. Q. Stearns 2 May 1848- p. 177

At the meeting on 2 May 1848, the following officers were elected: J. Q. Stearns, Pres.; James Nichols, V.P.; Wm T. Mercer, Sec.; A. W. Reeves, Treas.; John F. Ward, Librarian (p. 177).

17. James Nichols 1 May 1849- p. 182

At the meeting on 1 May 1849, the following officers were elected: James Nichols, President; John F. Ward, V.P.; Wm T. Mercer, Sec.; A. W. Reeves, Treas.; John F. Ward, Librarian (p. 182).

18. John F. Ward 30 April 1850- p. 184

At the meeting on 30 April 1850, the following officers were elected: John F. Ward, President; Alex’ H. Dougherty Jr., V.P.; Wm T. Mercer, Sec.; A. W. Reeves, Treas.; John F. Ward, Librarian (p. 184). Dr.
Dougherty’s middle initial (H.) is given in his son’s obituary in 1922 (6:240).

At the meeting on 29 May 1851, the following officers were elected: John F. Ward, President; Alex’ H. Dougherty Jr., V.P.; Wm Tichenor, Sec.; W. M. Brown, Treas.; J. F. Ward, Librarian (p. 188). A special meeting was called on 10 December 1851 “in consequence of the decease of Whitfield Nichols M.D. long a valuable member,” this being the first time that I have seen “M.D.” in these Minutes.

19. Alexander H. Dougherty Jr. 29 April 1852- p. 192
   At the meeting on 29 April 1852, the following officers were elected: Alex. H. Dougherty, President; L. A. Smith, V.P.; Wm Tichenor, Sec.; W. M. Brown, Treas.; J. F. Ward, Librarian (p. 192). Dr. Dougherty’s printed obituary is in vol. 2, p. 219. It does not show “Jr.” Dougherty’s biography is in Clark, Medical Men (1867), 77-83.

At the meeting on 26 April 1853, the following officers were elected: Dr. Dougherty, President; Dr. L. A. Smith, V.P.; Dr. Tichenor, Sec.; Dr. Brown, Treas.; Dr. John F. Ward, Librarian (p. 195).

20. Lyndon A. Smith 25 April 1854- p. 197
   At the meeting on 25 April 1854, the following officers were elected: Dr. L. A. Smith, President; Dr. J. S. Crane, V.P.; Dr. W. M. Brown, Treasurer; Dr. Wm Tichenor, Sec.; Dr. John F. Ward, Librarian (p. 197). Dr. Smith’s first name appears on p. 246. It is spelled Lyndon in his published obituary, which also states that he had the M.D. (v. 2, p. 6). Dr. Smith’s biography is in Clark, Medical Men (1867), 61-2.

At the meeting on 24 April 1855, the above officers were re-elected, except that Dr. J. H. Clark replaced Dr. Ward as Librarian (p. 200).

   At the meeting on 28 April 1856, the following officers were elected: Dr. J. Smith Crane, President; Christopher Eyrick, V.P.; Wm M. Brown, Treas.; Wm Tichenor, Sec.; Charles Jacob Lehlbach, Librarian (p. 202).

   At the meeting on 18 April 1857, the above officers were re-elected, the name of Dr. Lehlbach being amplified to Charles L. J. Lehlbach: (p. 205).

22. Christopher Eyrick 27 April 1858- p. 208
At the meeting on 27 April 1858, the following officers were elected: Christopher Eyrick, President; Milton[?] Baldwin, V.P.; Addison W. Woodhull, Sec.; Charles L. J. Lehlbach, Librarian; Wm Mortimer Brown, Treas. (p. 208-9). His full name is given in Clark, Medical Men (1867), p. 95.

At the meeting on 26 April 1859, the following officers were elected: Dr. Eyrick, President; Dr. [Stephen] Wickes, V.P.; Dr. Brown, Treas.; Dr. [Hiram H.] Tichenor, Sec.; Dr. [William M.] Brown, Librarian (p. 219).

23. Milton Baldwin 24 April 1860- p. 228
At the meeting on 24 April 1860, the following officers were elected: Dr. Milton Baldwin, President; Dr. Stephen Wickes, V.P.; Dr. Wm M. Brown, Treas.; Dr. Hiram H. Tichenor, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Brown, Librarian (p. 228).

At the meeting on 30 April 1861, Dr. Baldwin was “unanimously elected President but declined.” The following officers were then elected: Dr. Stephen Wickes, President; Dr. Wm S. Ward, V.P.; Dr. Wm M. Brown, Treas.; Dr. H. H. Tichenor, Secretary; Dr. L. W. Oakley, Reporter [The office of Librarian apparently was discontinued, and a new office of Reporter was created this year. The onset of war was not mentioned in these Minutes, although a motion was passed to petition the Legislature “amend the militia laws if necessary, so as to restrict the choice of surgeons and surgeons mates to the class of licensed practitioners . . .”]. Dr. Wickes died shortly before 1 April 1890. His printed obituary occupies a full page in the Minutes (2:335).

At the meeting on 29 April 1862, the following officers were elected: Dr. Stephen Wickes; Dr. W. M. Brown, V.P.; Dr. B. L. Dodd, Sec.; Dr. L. G. Thomas, Treas. (p. 241).
A motion was passed that “hereafter the term of President shall be one instead of two years” (p. 242).

25. William Mortimer Brown 28 April 1863- p. 245
At the meeting on 28 April 1863, the following officers were elected: Dr. William Mortimer Brown, President; Dr. William Pierson Jr., V.P.; Dr. Edward P. Nichols, Treas.; Dr. Bethuel L. Dodd, Sec. (p. 295).

At the “forty eighth annual meeting” on 26 April 1864, the following officers were elected: Dr. William Pierson Jr., President; Dr. Joseph A.
Corwin, V.P.; Dr. Edward P. Nichols, Treas.; Dr. Bethuel L. Dodd (p. 253).

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The 49th annual meeting was convened on 20 April 1865 and was adjourned until 25 April, so the “members might have opportunity to attend the funeral of President Lincoln at New York City” (p. 1).

27. Joseph A. Corwin 25 April 1865- p. 4
At this meeting, the following officers were elected: Dr. Joseph A. Corwin, Pres.; Dr. A. W. Woodhull, V.P.; Dr. B. L. Dodd, Sec’y; Dr. E. P. Nichols, Treas.

The 50th annual meeting was convened on 24 April 1866, with President Corwin in the chair. At this meeting, the following officers were elected: Dr. Pennington, President; and Dr. Woodhull, Sec. No other officers were mentioned, and the minutes then show a gap of three years. There are no Minutes for the 51st and 52d Annual Meetings, but the By-Laws adopted at the 50th meeting (p. 11) stated that “Art. VII The officers elected shall continue in office for one year and until others are appointed.” Pennington appears to have been both the 14th and 28th President of the Society, serving from 1844-5 and again from 1866-7. The initials of the 28th President are not visible in the handwritten volume of Minutes, so this must be an unproved supposition. There must have been some discussion about this issue, however, inasmuch as the question of a one-year term of office for the President appeared at this meeting and a subsequent meeting. S. H. Pennington is not profiled by his successor in Clark, Medical Men (1867). Dr. S. H. Pennington offered to resign in 1899, but his request was rejected and he was declared an Honorary Member of the Society (3:114). A “Dr. Pennington” read the obituary for Stephen Wickes in April 1890 (2:335), but this was probably “Dr. W. Pennington,” whose name appears at the annual meeting in 1898 (3:85).

29. J. Henry Clark April 1867-1868
J. Henry Clark, A.M., M.D., author of The Medical Men of New Jersey, in Essex District, From 1666 to 1866 (Newark, N.J.: Published for the Author), 1867, is shown on the title page to be “President and Historian of the District Medical Society.” The author quotes his own work, “The First Fifty Years of the District Medical Society of Essex County” (pp 5-101 of this book), saying that it is an “Extract from the
Minutes of the Semi-Centennial Meeting of the Essex District Medical Society, April 1866.” The “Introductory” to the book (pp. 3-4) by J.H.C. is dated at Newark, N.J., August 1, 1867. Although the Minutes for the annual meeting of 1867 have not been preserved, it is clear that J. Henry Clark must have been elected president at that meeting, and that he served until the annual meeting in the spring (probably April) of 1868, when he was succeeded by Dr. Arthur Ward.

Dr. Arthur Ward was “the President . . . in the Chair” at the time of the 53d annual meeting on 6 April 1869 (p. 30).

31. Lewis W. Oakley 6 April 1869- 2:35
At the 53d annual meeting on 6 April 1869, the following officers were elected: Dr. L. W. Oakley, Pres.; Dr. Eugene Jobs, V. Pres.; Dr. Charles Young, Sec.; Dr. E. P. Nichols, Treas. (p. 35). Oakley’s full name is given in Clark, Medical Men (1867), 89.

32. Eugene Jobs 5 April 1870- 2:59
At the 54th annual meeting on 5 April 1870, the following officers were elected: Dr. Eugene Jobs, Pres.; Dr. Wm O’Gorman, V.P.; Dr. Ch. Young, Sec.; E. P. Nichols, Treas. (p. 59). The printed obituary of “Dr. Eugene Jobs” is on p. 103.

33. William O’Gorman 4 April 1871- 2:75
At the “fifty-fifth annual meeting” on 4 April 1871, the following officers were elected: Wm O’Gorman, M.D., Pres.; Jno. J. Love, M.D., V.P.; Ch. Young, M.D., Sec.; Ed. D. G. Smith, M.D., Treas. This is the first time the officers are all referred to as “M.D.” instead of “Dr.” A Motion was passed that “former Secretaries of Society whose minutes have not been recorded, be requested, and are hereby requested to write them up.” Dr. Holden was apparently the delinquent Secretary. The obituary of Dr. Wm O’Gorman is on 2:303. He died shortly before 12 November 1887.

At the 56th annual meeting on 2 April 1872, a motion was passed “that the proper course be now taken to confer upon a candidate the degree of M.D.,” which is the first instance I have seen of the Society planning to award this degree (p. 80). The candidate was already M.D., however (p. 81). The following officers were elected: Dr. J. H. J. Love, Pres.; Dr. Isaac A. Nichols, V.P.; Dr. Chas. Young, Sec.; Dr. E. D. G. Smith, Treas.
35. Isaac A. Nichols  1 April 1873-  2:90
At the 57th annual meeting on 1 April 1873, the following officers were elected: Dr. Isaac A. Nichols, Pres.; Dr. Ed. R. Whittingham, V.P.; Dr. Chas. Young, Sec.; Dr. E. D. G. Smith, Treas. (p. 90). The Secretary “was empowered to employ an amanuensis to write up the back minutes” (p. 90). Dr. Nichols' printed obituary is on p. 160. A brief biography of E. R. Whittingham is in Clark, Medical Men (1867), 94.

36. Edward T. Whittingham  7 April 1874-  2:95
At the 58th annual meeting on 7 April 1874, the following officers were elected: Dr. E. T. Whittingham, Pres.; Dr. J. A. Cross, V.P.; Dr. Chas. Young, Sec.; Dr. E. D. G. Smith, Treas. (p. 95).

37. Jeremiah A. Cross  6 April 1875-  2:102
At the 59th annual meeting on 6 April 1875, the following officers were elected: Dr. J. A. Cross, Pres.; Dr. Lott Southard, V.P.; Dr. Ch. Young, Sec.; Dr. E. D. G. Smith, Treas. (p. 102). His printed obituary with his first name spelled out is on p. 163.

38. Lott Southard  [prob 1st Tues.]  April 1876-  2:107
At the 60th annual meeting on _ April 1876, the following officers were elected: Dr. Lott Southard, Pres.; Dr. Stephen Personette, V.P.; Dr. Charles Young, Sec.; Dr. Wm Rankin Jr., Treas. Dr. Southard died 14 May 1898 (3:105).

39. Stephen Personette  3 April 1877-  2:122
At the 61st annual meeting on 3 April 1877, the following officers were elected: Dr. Stephen Personette, Pres.; Dr. Edward D. G. Smith, V.P.; Dr. Charles Young, Sec.; Dr. William Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 122).

40. Edward D. G. Smith  2 April 1878-15 June 1878  2:129
At the 62d annual meeting on 2 April 1878, the following officers were elected: Dr. Edward D. G. Smith, Pres.; Edgar Holden, V.P.; Archibald Mercer, Sec.; William Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 129). Dr. Smith died on 15 June 1878 (p. 130). Dr. Holden continued to preside for the rest of the year 1878-9, but retained the title of Vice President.

41. Edgar Holden  1 April 1879-  2:141
At the 63d annual meeting on 1 April 1879, “The Vice-President Dr. E. Holden in the Chair,” the following officers were elected: Edgar Holden, Pres.; Charles J. Kipp, V.P.; Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Wm Rankin Jr., Sec. [sic, apparently means Treas.] (p. 141). Dr. Holden’s biography is in Clark, Medical Men (1867), 85-6.
42. Charles J. Kipp 6 April 1880- 2:156
At the 64th annual meeting on 6 April 1880, the following officers were elected: Dr. Charles J. Kipp, Pres.; Dr. Charles Young, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 156).

In Vol. 5, the Minutes of the annual meeting of 1911 state that Charles J. Kipp, M.D. (born in Hanover, Germany, 22 October 1838; died in Newark, N.J., 13 January 1911), was elected President of the Essex County Medical Society in 1881 [sic] and in 1889 he was President of the Medical Society of New Jersey (5:16-17, 1st cycle). Dr. Kipp was also a Vice President of the A.M.A.

43. Charles Young 6 April 1881- 2:191
At the 65th annual meeting on 6 April 1881, the following officers were elected: Dr. Charles Young, Pres.; Dr. Frank Wilmott, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 191). Dr. Wilmott died in June 1881 (p. 197).

44. D. M. Skinner 4 April 1882- 2:210
At the 66th annual meeting on 4 April 1882, the following officers were elected: Dr. D. M. Skinner, Pres.; Dr. P.V.P. Hewitt(?), V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 210). The Council was created at this meeting with six members elected for staggered terms of 1, 2, or three years (p. 210). Skinner’s biography is in Clark, Medical Men (1867), 92.

45. Peter V. P. Hewlett 3 April 1883- 2:232
At the 67th annual meeting on 3 April 1883, the following officers were elected: Dr. Peter V. P. Hewlett, Pres.; Dr. Wm J. Chandler, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 232).

46. William J. Chandler 1 April 1884- 2:243
At the 68th annual meeting on 1 April 1884, the following officers were elected: Dr. W. J. Chandler, Pres.; Dr. Wm S. Ward, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 243).

47. J. W. Pinkham 7 April 1885- 2:264
At the 69th annual meeting on 7 April 1885, Dr. William Ward’s letter was read, indicating that he declined to be advanced to the Presidency. The following officers were elected: Dr. J. W. Pinkham, Pres.; Dr. J. D. Brumley, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 264).

48. J. D. Brumley 6 April 1886- 2:279
At the 70th annual meeting on 6 April 1886, the following officers were elected: Dr. J. D. Bromley, Pres.; Dr. Chas. F. J. Lehlbach, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 279). Dr. Brumley’s biography is in Clark, Medical Men (1867), 66-7.

49. Charles F. J. Lehlbach 5 April 1887- 2:298
At the 71st annual meeting on 5 April 1887, the following officers were elected: Dr. Charles F. J. Lehlbach, Pres.; Dr. D. S. Smith, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 298). Lehlbach’s biography is in Clark, Medical Men (1867), 89.

50. David S. Smith 3 April 1888- 2:314
At the 72d annual meeting on 3 April 1888, the following officers were elected: Dr. David S. Smith, Pres.; Dr. Joseph D. Osborne, Vice-Pres.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Rankin Jr., Treas. (p. 314). Dr. Smith died on 8 December 1891 (2:369).

51. Joseph D. Osborne 2 April 1889- 2:323
At the 73d annual meeting on 2 April 1889, the following officers were elected: Dr. J. D. Osborne was elected President (p. 323). The other officers were elected later in the meeting (p. 324): Dr. H. H. Tichenor, Vice Pres.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Rankin Jr., Treas.

52. Hiram H. Tichenor 1 April 1890- 2:344
At the 74th annual meeting on 1 April 1890, the following officers were elected: Dr. H. H. Tichenor, Pres.; Dr. Geo. R. Kent[?], V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Wm M. Rankin Jr., Treas. The name of the V.P. appears in alphabetical order between E. J. Ill and Lehlbach on p. 344. Dr. Tichenor’s full name is given in the Minutes of the meeting at which his death was observed (3 May 1892, 2:374).

53. George R. Kent 7 April 1891- 2:358
At the 75th annual meeting on 7 April 1891, the following officers were elected: Dr. George R. Kent, Pres.; Dr. William Rankin Jr., V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas.

54. William Rankin Jr. 5 April 1892- 2:374, 3:9
There are no Minutes in Vol. 2 for the annual meeting in 1892. A special meeting on 2 March 1892 (2:372) was held to observe the death of Dr. M. Baldwin, with the President, Dr. George R. Kent, in the Chair. The next meeting in Vol. 2 is a special meeting on 3 May 1892 (2:374), which was held to observe the death of Dr. Tichenor, with the President, Dr. Rankin, in the Chair.
The Minutes for the 76th annual meeting are in Vol. 3 (pp. 1-1). At the 76th annual meeting on 5 April 1892, the following officers were elected: Dr. William Rankin Jr., Pres.; Dr. George A. Van Wagenen, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas.

55. George A. Van Wagenen 3 April 1893- 3:26
At the 77th annual meeting on 3 April 1893, the following officers were elected: Dr. George A. Van Wagenen, Pres.; Dr. Joseph C. Young, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas.

56. Joseph C. Young 3 April 1894- 3:41
At the 78th annual meeting on 3 April 1894, the following officers were elected: Dr. Joseph C. Young, President. After a contested election, Dr. Geo Baylis was elected V.P., defeating three others, including E. J. Ill. There was no contest for the other two offices: Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas.

57. George Bayles 2 April 1895- 3:54
At the 79th annual meeting on 2 April 1895, the following officers were elected: Dr. George Bayles, Pres.; Dr. Edward J. Ill, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas. Dr. Bayles’ name is typed in the Minutes for 1902 (4:4), following his death on 20 December 1901.

58. Edward J. Ill 7 April 1896- 3:69
At the 80th annual meeting on 7 April 1896, the following officers were elected: Dr. Edward J. Ill, Pres., and after a contest between four candidates, Dr. T. Y. Sutphen was elected V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas. Dr. Sutphen’s initials are typed in Vol. 4 (4:27).

59. Theron Yeomans Sutphen 6 April 1897- 3:83
At the 81st annual meeting on 6 April 1897, the following officers were elected: Dr. T. Y. Sutphen, Pres.; Dr. C. F. Underwood, V.P., Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas. Dr. Theron Y. Stuphen is shown as a member in the printed list in 1909 (end pages of Vol. 4), but his name is spelled Sutphen in the retyped Minutes for 1901 (4:27, 1st cycle). His obituary provides his middle name (6:205). He died 24 August 1922.

60. Charles F. Underwood 5 April 1898- 3:101
At the 82d annual meeting on 5 April 1898, the following officers were elected: Dr. Charles F. Underwood, Pres.; and after a contest between three men, Dr. Hollister was elected V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas. Dr. Underwood died 18 October 1926 (6:329).

61. L. Eugene Hollister 5 April 1899-3:116
At the 83d annual meeting on 5 April 1899, the following officers were elected: Dr. L. E. Hollister, Pres.; Dr. Harvey, V.P. (defeating two others); Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas. Dr. Hollister’s name is given in the list of members in 1909, at the end of Vol. 4.

62. Thomas W. Harvey 3 April 1900-3:134
At the 84th annual meeting on 3 April 1900, the following officers were elected: Dr. T. W. Harvey, Pres.; Dr. A. R. Baldwin, V.P. (without contest); Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas. Both Mercer and Bennett defeated opposing candidates. Dr. Harvey’s initials appear in type in a list of members at the end of Vol. 4 (1909); his given names do not appear. Thos. W. Harvey is shown as a member in the list of members in April 1802 (Vol. 4).

63. Aaron K. Baldwin 2 April 1901-3:158; 4:27
At the 85th annual meeting on 2 April 1901, the following officers were elected: Dr. A. K. Baldwin, Pres.; after a contest between four men, Dr. Wrightson, V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas. (See Vol. 4 for typed copies of the Minutes of 2 April 1901ff.). Dr. Baldwin’s full name is given in the Minutes for 1902 (retyped, Vol. 4).

64. James Thomas Wrightson 1 April 1902-3:182; 4:21(2d cycle)
At the 86th annual meeting on 1 April 1902, the following officers were elected: Dr. James T. Wrightson, Pres.; Walter S. Washington, defeating two others, became V.P. (3:183); Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas. Dr. Wrightson died 16 March 1927 (6:330).

65. Walter S. Washington 7 April 1903-3:213
At the 87th annual meeting on 7 April 1903, the following officers were elected: Dr. Walter S. Washington, Pres.; Richard C. Newton (defeating two others, on the third ballot), V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas.
At the 88th annual meeting on 5 April 1904, the following officers were elected: Dr. Richard C. Newton, Pres.; W. S. Disbrow (defeating Corwin), V.P.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, Sec.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas. Dr. Newton’s middle name is given in his obituary (6:144). He died on 14 November 1919.

At the 89th annual meeting on 4 April 1905, the following officers were elected: Dr. William S. Disbrow, Pres.; Dr. Archibald Mercer, V.P.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas.; and after a contest, Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Sec. (Dr. Hunt’s full name is in 4:39 for 1906). Dr. Disbrow’s middle name is given in his obituary (d. 25 December 1922, 6:241).

Volume 4 (2 April 1901-6 April 1909) includes typed copies of the Minutes beginning with the 85th annual meeting of 2 April 1901.

68. Archibald Mercer 3 April 1906 4:39 (5th cycle)
At the 90th annual meeting on 3 April 1906, the following officers were elected: Dr. Archibald Mercer, Pres.; Dr. Herman C. Bleyle, V.P.; Dr. Charles D. Bennett, Treas.; Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Sec.

69. Herman C. Bleyle 2 April 1907 4:35 (6th cycle)
At the 91st annual meeting on 2 April 1907, the following officers were elected: Dr. Herman C. Bleyle, Pres.; Dr. Eagleton, V.P. (defeating Dr. Bennett); Dr. C. D. Bennett, Treas.; Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Sec. Dr. Bleyle’s obituary is in 6:271. He died 11 February 1924. It was said, incorrectly, that he “would not even allow his name to be nominated for the Presidency of the County Society.”

70. Wells P. Eagleton 7 April 1908- 4:29 (7th cycle)
At the 92d annual meeting on 7 April 1908, the following officers were elected: Dr. Eagleton, Pres. (full name with minutes of 1909); Dr. Bennett, V.P.; Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Sec.; Dr. Corwin, Treas.

71. Charles D. Bennett 6 April 1909- 4:35 (8th cycle)
At the 93d annual meeting on 6 April 1909, the following officers were elected: Dr. Chas. D. Bennett, Pres.; Dr. S. E. Robertson, V.P.; Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Sec.; Dr. T. W. Corwin, Treas. Following the Minutes for 1909, a printed list of the full names of the members of the Society appears. It is seen that the Treasurer is Dr. Theo. W. Corwin and the V.P. is Dr. Samuel E. Robertson.
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72. Samuel E. Robertson  5 April 1910-  5:27 (1st cycle)
At the 94th annual meeting on 5 April 1910, the following officers were elected: Dr. Samuel E. Robertson, Pres.; Dr. Wallhauser, V.P.; Dr. Hunt, Sec.; Dr. Webner, Treas.

73. Henry J. F. Wallhauser  4 April 1911-  5:29 (2d cycle)
At the 95th annual meeting on 4 April 1911, the following officers were elected: Dr. Wallhauser, Pres.; Dr. T. N. Gray, V.P.; Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Sec.; Dr. Fred. Webner, Treas. Dr. Wallhauser’s full name is given in the Minutes for 1912.

74. Thomas Neptune Gray  2 April 1912- 5:33 (3d cycle)
At the 96th annual meeting on 2 April 1912, the following officers were elected: Dr. T. N. Gray, Pres.; Dr. E. Zeh Hawkes, V.P.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Sec. Dr. Gray’s first name is given in the Minutes for 1913 (5:6 [4th cycle]). His middle name is given in the Minutes for 1918 (6:100) in his obituary; he died 22 July 1918.

75. E. Zeh Hawkes  1 April 1913-6 October 1914  5:31 (4th cycle)
At the 97th annual meeting on 1 April 1913, the following officers were elected: Dr. E. Zeh Hawkes, Pres.; Dr. Carl E. Sutphen, V.P. (winning over two others); Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Sec.

At the 98th annual meeting on 7 October [sic] 1913, it was decided that, because the Bylaws state that “The Officers elected shall continue in office for one year, and until others are elected,” and the annual meeting has shifted to October, “the present Officers hold over automatically until the appointment of their successors” (5:10 [5th cycle, unnumbered]).

76. Carl Edgar Sutphen  6 October 1914- 5:38 (6th cycle)
At the 99th annual meeting on 6 October 1914, it was noted that the Minutes for 1910, 1911, 1912, and 1913 were missing, but were later found at Mrs. Ralph Hunt’s. The following officers were elected at the meeting in October 1914: Dr. Carl Sutphen, Pres.; Dr. John F. Haggerty, V.P.; Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Sec.; Dr. R. H. Rogers, Treas. Dr. Sutphen’s middle name is given in his obituary (died 7 March 1923; 6:243).
77. John F. Haggerty 5 October 1915- 5: __ (7th cycle)
At the 100th annual meeting on 5 October 1915, the following officers were elected:
Dr. John Haggerty, Pres.; Dr. Edw. Staehlin, V.P.; Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Sec.; Dr. R. H. Rogers, Treas.
Dr. Staehlin’s first name is given in Vol. 6, p. 1, as Edw., and as Edward in the Minutes for 1917.

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78. Edward Staehlin 3 October 1916- 6:34
At the 101st annual meeting on 3 October 1916, the following officers were elected:
Dr. Staehlin, Pres.; Dr. Ralph H. Hunt (defeating Drs. Coit and Nolte), V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.

79. Ralph H. Hunt 2 October 1917- 6:85
At the 102d annual meeting on 2 October 1917, the following officers were elected:
Dr. Ralph H. Hunt, Pres.; Dr. T. W. Corwin, V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.

80. T. W. Corwin 1 October 1918- 6:107
At the 103d annual meeting on 1 October 1918, the following officers were elected:
Dr. T. W. Corwin, Pres.; Dr. Philhower, V.P.; Dr. Richard J. Brown, Sec.; Dr. Rogers, Treas.

81. George B. Philhower 7 October 1919- 6:130
At the 104th annual meeting on 7 October 1919, the following officers were elected:
Dr. Philhower, Pres.; Dr. Martland (by 48 to 45), V.P.; Dr. R. H. Rogers, Treas.; Dr. Pinneo, Sec.
Dr. Philhower’s full name is given in the Minutes for 1920 (6:140).

82. Harrison Sanford Martland 5 October 1920- 6:155
At the 105th annual meeting on 5 October 1920, the following officers were elected:
Dr. Harrison S. Martland, Pres.; Dr. F. R. Haussling, V.P.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; Dr. Pinneo, Sec.
The obituary of Dr. Victor Parsonnett (1871-1920) appears on 6:147-149.

83. F. R. Haussling 4 October 1921 6:178
At the 106th annual meeting on 4 October 1921, the following officers were elected:
Dr. F. R. Haussling, Pres.; Dr. A. J. Mitchell, V.P.; Dr. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Rogers, Treas.

84. Augustus J. Mitchell 3 October 1922- 6:217
At the 107th annual meeting on 3 October 1922, the following officers were elected: Dr. A. J. Mitchell defeated Dr. James S. Brown (105-70) in the first-ever open contest for President; Dr. Runyon defeated Dr. Wherry (67-64), V.P.; Dr. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Rogers, Treas. Dr. Mitchell’s first name is on a committee list, 6:354.

85. Mefford Runyon 2 October 1923- 6:250
At the 108th annual meeting on 2 October 1923, the following officers were elected: Dr. Mefford Runyon; O’Crowley, V.P. (defeating three others); Dr. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Rogers, Treas.

86. C. R. O’Crowley 7 October 1924- 6:279
At the 109th annual meeting on 7 October 1924, the following officers were elected: Dr. C. R. O’Crowley, Pres.; Dr. E. G. Wherry, V.P.; Dr. F. W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. R. H. Rogers, Treas.

87. Elmer G. Wherry 6 October 1925- 6:288
At the 110th annual meeting on 6 October 1925, the following officers were elected: Dr. Elmer G. Wherry, Pres.; Dr. Sanford P[?]. Ferris (defeating 3 others), V.P.; Dr. F. W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. R. H. Rogers, Treas.

88. Sanford J. Ferris 5 October 1926 6:307
At the 111th annual meeting on 5 October 1926, the following officers were elected: Dr. Sanford J. Ferris, Pres.; Dr. Max Danzis, V.P.; Dr. Dr. F. W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. R. H. Rogers, Treas. At this meeting, the obituary of Dr. Armin Fischer was presented. He died at 72, having apparently been the last person who was examined by a committee of the Essex County Medical Society for a license to practice in New Jersey, “such authority has been relinquished “under the “new and present charter” (6:307).

89. Max Danzis 4 October 1927 6:335
At the 112d annual meeting on 4 October 1927, the following officers were elected: Dr. Max Danzis, Pres.; Dr. R. N. Connolly, V. P. (defeating D. L. McCormick, 48-18), Dr. F. W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. R. H. Rogers, Treas.

90. Richard N. Connolly 2 October 1928 6:348
At the 113th annual meeting on 2 October 1928, the following officers were elected: Dr. Richard N. Connolly, Pres.; Dr. Arthur W. Bingham, V.P.; Dr. F. W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. R. H. Rogers, Treas.

91. Arthur W. Bingham 1 October 1929 7:2
At the 114th annual meeting on 1 October 1929, the following officers were elected: Dr. Arthur W. Bingham, Pres.; Dr. Henry C. Barkhorn, V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Secretary; and Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treasurer.

92. Henry C. Barkhorn 9 October 1930 7:38
At the 115th annual meeting on 9 October 1930, the following officers were elected: Dr. Dr. Henry C. Barkhorn, Pres.; Dr. James H. Lowrey, V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Secretary; and Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treasurer. Dr. Lowrey defeated the nominee of the Nominating Committee, Dr. David A. Kraker, who had asked that his name be withdrawn, prior to the election; he nevertheless continued as a member of the Council with a term ending in 1931. Four past presidents of the ECMS died in the past 12 months: Dr. Sanford J. Ferris (16 Feb); Dr. Edward Staehlin (10 Dec); Dr. Charles D. Bennett (11 May); and Dr. Walter S. Washington (23 May).

93. James H. Lowrey 8 October 1931 7:57
At the 116th annual meeting on 8 October 1931, the following officers were elected: Dr. James H. Lowrey, Pres.; Dr. William H. Areson, V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; and Dr. F. LeRoy Wood, Reporter. Dr. D. A. Kraker won a contested election to remain on the Council for 2 more years. Seventeen past presidents were still alive, the most senior being E. J. Ill (1896).

94. William H. Areson 13 October 1932 7:86
At the 117th annual meeting on 13 October 1932, the following officers were elected: Dr. William H. Areson, Pres.; V.P.; Dr. Edward W. Sprague, V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; and Dr. F. LeRoy Wood, Reporter.

95. Edward W. Sprague 12 October 1933 7:107
At the 118th annual meeting on 12 October 1933, the following officers were elected: Dr. Edward W. Sprague, Pres.; Dr. John F. Condon, V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; and Dr. F. LeRoy Wood, Reporter.

96. John F. Condon 11 October 1934 7:147
At the 119th annual meeting on 11 October 1934, the following officers were elected:
Dr. John F. Condon, Pres.; Dr. A. Charles Zehnder, V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; and Dr. F. LeRoy Wood, Reporter.

97. A. Charles Zehnder 10 October 1935 7:171
At the 120th annual meeting on 10 October 1935, the following officers were elected:
Dr. A. Charles Zehnder, Pres.; Dr. Edgar A. Ill, V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; and Dr. F. LeRoy Wood, Reporter.

98. Edgar A. Ill 8 October 1936 7:200
At the 121st annual meeting on 8 October 1936, the following officers were elected:
Dr. Edgar A. Ill, Pres.; Dr. H. Roy Van Ness, First V.P.; Dr. Harry H. Satchwell, Second V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; and Dr. F. LeRoy Wood, Reporter.

99. H. Roy Van Ness 13 May 1937 8:[unnumbered p. ca. 6]
At the 122nd annual meeting on 13 May 1937, the following officers were elected:
Dr. H. Roy Van Ness, Pres.; Dr. David A. Kraker, First V.P.; Dr. Walter B. Mount, Second V.P.; Dr. Frank W. Pinneo, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; and Dr. F. LeRoy Wood, Reporter. Dr. Kraker defeated the previous Second V.P., Dr. Satchwell, who was the nominee of the Nominating Committee for First V.P. (133-126). The Nominating Committee’s report for the 122nd annual meeting, to be held on 13 May 1937, appears at the end of vol. 7 (7:221). The Minutes of the meeting explained that the last Annual Meeting was in October, and that the Annual Meetings would henceforth be held in May. “This meeting called the 122nd may be explained that in 1904 when the ‘Essex District’ Society was dissolved and the ‘Essex County’ Society formed, each of these meetings was called an annual meeting that year.”

100. David A. Kraker 12 May 1938 8:[unnumbered]
At the 123rd annual meeting on 12 May 1938, the following officers were elected:
Dr. David A. Kraker, Pres.; Dr. Royal A. Schaaf, First V.P.; Dr. Harry N. Comando, Second V.P.; Dr. Marcus H. Greifinger, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; and Dr. Paul Hosp, Reporter. These were all nominated by the Nominating Committee and the elections do not appear to have been contested.
At the 124th annual meeting on 11 May 1939, the following officers were elected:
Dr. Royal A. Schaaf, Pres.; Dr. Harry N. Comando, President-Elect; Dr. Francis C. Weber, First V.P.; Dr. William W. Cox, Second V.P.; Dr. Marcus H. Greifinger, Sec.; Dr. Robert H. Rogers, Treas.; and Dr. Paul Hosp, Reporter. This was the first year that a President-Elect was elected. All of the officers were uncontested nominees of the Nominating Committee.

Notes

1 At the meeting on 29 April 1862, a motion was passed that “hereafter the term of President shall be one instead of two years.”

2 The meetings were first referred to as Annual Meetings and were given sequential numbers beginning on 26 April 1864, which was called the “forty eighth annual meeting.” Previously, beginning in June 1816, the annual meetings were simply called General Meetings and were not numbered. Since the meeting in 1864 was called the 48th, it is clear that the Secretaries of the Society began numbering from the first meeting in 1816. Meetings which were given numbers in the Minutes are shown with # (e.g., #48), whereas those that were not given numbers in the Minutes are shown with [ ] (e.g., [190]).

3 There are no Minutes for the 51st (1866) and 52d (1867) Annual Meetings, but the By-Laws adopted at the 50th meeting (1865) stated that according to Article VII, “The officers elected shall continue in office for one year and until others are appointed.”

4 At the “fifty-fifth annual meeting” on 4 April 1871, the Minutes refer to all of the officers for the first time as “M.D.” instead of “Dr.” Although the degree of M.D. is not given for every one of the Presidents thereafter, we shall presume that henceforth, all had the M.D. degree.

5 At the 56th annual meeting on 2 April 1872, a motion was passed “that the proper course be now taken to confer upon a candidate the degree of M.D.,” which appears to be the first instance in which the Society planned to use its power to award this degree. It was later learned that the candidate already had the M.D. degree, so the motion was moot.
At the 62d annual meeting on 2 April 1878, Dr. Edward D. G. Smith was elected President and Dr. Edgar Holden was elected Vice President. Dr. Smith died on 15 June 1878. Dr. Holden continued to preside for the rest of the year 1878-9, but he retained the title of Vice President.

The Minutes were typewritten beginning with the 85th annual meeting of 2 April 1901. The Minutes of the annual meetings were handwritten from 1816 until 1900 (Volumes 1-3 of the Minutes).

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At some time following the meeting on 11 May 1939, the Minutes failed to state the sequential number of the annual meeting. The annual meetings were, however, conducted in the month of May each year from 1939 henceforth, so the sequential number of each annual meeting can readily be computed as follows: 1940 (125th),

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