

of the best means of enforcing it inland and coastwise. The question of its benefit should have been first satisfactorily proven before the commerce of the country and the convenience and well being of the people should be disturbed by it; for, as expected by the opponents of quarantine, we have found persistent determination on the part of the board to enforce it to prevent yellow fever, after the positive proof of its utter uselessness in Memphis last summer. With money in hand to accomplish a certain purpose, it is not likely those who handle it will be convinced that it should be given up for anything else.

We are in receipt of a letter from Dr. J. C. LeHardy, of Savannah, calling our attention to the movement on the part of the official medical quarantinists to secure additional national legislation, to give the board more perfect power to enforce quarantine against the wish of State and municipal authorities. He suggests that we organize opposition to the granting by the Federal Government of this additional power.

Our answer is that we are opposed to the whole thing. The National Board of Health and the National Sanitary Association were "conceived in sin and brough forth in iniquity." They cannot be changed from their preconceived and determined purpose otherwise than by abolishing the whole concern, or by withholding appropriations which amounts to the same with those who handle the money. The question, "Is quarantine necessary to prevent yellow fever?" should first be settled.

There is a tendency in this country to medical, civil and military centralization, which, like Dr. LeHardy, we oppose, and on this ground, if no other, would speak in opposition to the proposed additional power sought by the quarantinists.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Atlanta Medical College has sustained another loss in the death of an estimable member of the class of students. In the last number of our JOURNAL we published

the death of an esteemed member of the faculty, and it becomes our painful duty to chronicle the death of Mr. F. M. Jones, of Cherokee county, Georgia, a laborious, upright and popular member of the class of 1879-80. The following action was had by the class:

At a called meeting of the students on Saturday afternoon, the following gentlemen of the class were appointed to accompany the remains to the railroad station of the family of the deceased:

J. W. Holton, of Ohio; P. R. Bradford, of Georgia; W. R. Hollingsworth, of South Carolina; H. L. Logan, of Arkansas; J. Blaisdell, of Maine; E. B. Moore, of Texas.

On Monday morning a meeting of the entire class was held at the college, Prof. W. F. Westmoreland being invited to take the chair and R. O. Cotter appointed to act as secretary.

Dr. Westmoreland explained the object of the meeting to the class, it being to take preliminaries for paying the proper respect due to the memory of their much loved and lamented friend and fellow-student.

The Rev. Dr. D. W. Gwin, of this city, a member of the class, being unanimously requested to make some remarks touching the character of the deceased, responded in a short extempore address, replete with beautiful thoughts. Among other things he impressed the young men with the mutability of all earthly plans and honors. He dwelt well upon the fact that man proposes but God disposes. Here was a young man who, less than two weeks ago, was a very type of manly health and vigor. Thoroughly upright and conscientious, he was a general favorite in the class. He was happy at the prospect of so soon being able to go forth and begin the noble work for which he would have been so well fitted. In a few days only he would have received his diploma. But the "Great Physician" saw fit to give him his diploma from a nobler than any earthly institution, and sent him to work in a grander, happier sphere than this.

On motion, the chairman appointed the following members of the school as a committee of five to prepare suitable resolutions:

Messrs. J. H. Redding, of Texas; K. Davis, of Georgia; F. B. McRae, of Georgia; R. J. Bruce, of Georgia; S. J. McCurry, of Alabama.

The name of the chairman was also, by request of the class, added to the number.

The following was the report of the committee on resolutions:

WHEREAS, God in His infinite wisdom and wise providence has seen fit to call from our midst our beloved friend and fellow-student, Mr. F. M. Jones, of Cherokee county, Georgia.

Resolved, That while we deplore his loss to us, and what we deem would have been of so much benefit to humanity, we yield submissively to the will of Him who "doeth all things well."

Resolved, That we ever honor him in our memories for his combined qualities of morality, temperance, studious efforts, laudable attainments and gentlemanly deportment as a student of medicine.

Resolved, That we tender our most sincere sympathies to his beloved and bereaved wife and fatherless children, and his sorrowing mother.

Resolved, That each student wear a piece of crape, as a token of respect, until the close of the session.

Resolved, that these resolutions be published in the *Atlanta Constitution* and the *ATLANTA MEDICAL AND SURGICAL JOURNAL*, and a copy of each be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

[Signed]

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