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Infected person to be removed to separate house, &c.

town within this territory, shall be infected or shall lately have been infected with the small pox or other contagious disease, dangerous to the public health, the board of health of the town, village or city where such sick or infected person may be, may immediately cause him to be removed to a separate house, if it can be done without danger to his health, and shall provide for him nurses and necessaries, which shall be charged to the person so removed and taken care of, or the parent, guardian or other person who may be liable for the support of such infected person.

If such person cannot be removed, how board to proceed.

SEC. 10. If such infected person cannot be removed without danger to his health, the board of health shall make provision as directed in the preceding section, for such person in the house where he may be, and in such case, they may cause the persons in the neighborhood to be removed, and may take such other measures as they may deem necessary for the safety of the inhabitants.

Warrant to remove infected person by two Justices.

SEC. 11. Any two justices of the peace may make out an order under their hands, directed to the sheriff or any constable of the county, requiring him under the direction of the board of health, to remove any person infected with contagious disease, and to provide nurses, attendants and other necessaries for the accommodation, safety and relief of such infected persons. This chapter shall not be construed so as to annul or conflict with any powers granted in any city charter for the regulation of the public health.

This chapter not to conflict with city charter.

CHAPTER 19.

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County medical societies how formed.

SEC. 1. It shall and may be lawful for the physicians and surgeons in the several counties of this territory, to meet together on such day as they, or a majority of them, shall deem proper, at the place where the last term of the county court next preceding such meeting, shall have been held in their respective counties; and the several physicians and surgeons so convened as aforesaid, or any part of them, being not less than five in number, shall proceed to the choice of president, vice president, recording secretary, corresponding secretary, treasurer, and three censors, who shall hold their offices for one year, and until others are elected to fill their places; and when the said societies shall be so

Choice of officers.

organized as aforesaid, they are hereby declared to be bodies corporate and politic, in fact and in name, by the names of the medical societies of the counties where such societies shall respectively be formed, and by those names, shall be in law capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, answering and being answered unto, defending and being defended in all courts and places, and in all matters and causes whatsoever, and may have a common seal which they may alter and renew at pleasure.

To be bodies corporate.

SEC. 2. All physicians and surgeons in the several counties, shall be entitled to meet in convention for the formation of a medical society in their respective counties, agreeably to the provisions of the preceding section, and take part in its deliberations and become members under the provisions of this chapter, who shall have received a diploma from any incorporated medical college or society of any of the United States, or territories, or any foreign country.

Who to meet and form such societies.

SEC. 3. It shall and may be lawful for the medical societies of the several counties of this territory, to purchase and hold any estate, real or personal, for the use of said society: *Provided*, Said estate shall in no case exceed the sum of five thousand dollars, and shall be used exclusively for objects promoting the advancement of medical science.

May purchase and hold real and personal estate.

SEC. 4. It shall be lawful for the medical societies in the respective counties, to make such by-laws and regulations relative to the affairs, concerns, and property of said societies, relative to admission and expulsion of members, the examination of students, and relative to donations or contributions, as a majority of the members shall think proper at any regular meeting of said society: *Provided*, That such by-laws, rules, and regulations be not contrary to, nor inconsistent with the laws of the United States, or of this territory.

May make by-laws.

SEC. 5. The medical societies established as aforesaid, are hereby respectively empowered to examine all students who may present themselves for that purpose, and to grant them diplomas under the hand of the president and seal of the society; which diploma shall constitute them members of said society; and it is hereby made the duty of the censors of each medical society, carefully and impartially to examine all medical students who shall present themselves for that purpose, and report their opinions in writing to the president of the society.

May grant diplomas.

Duty of censors.

SEC. 6. No person shall be permitted to be examined as a candidate for a diploma and membership of any of said societies, unless he shall have arrived at the age of twenty-one years, has at least a good english education, and has studied medicine at least three years with some respectable practitioner, and can produce satisfactory evidence of good moral character.

Who permitted to be examined.

Membership.

SEC. 7. Any student who may receive a diploma from any medical society of the territory, shall pay to the president thereof, ten dollars on receiving the same.

Fee for diploma.

SEC. 8. It shall be lawful for each medical society, to cause to be raised and collected from each of the members of said society, a sum not exceeding three dollars in any one year, for the purpose of procuring a medical library, anatomical cabinet, chemical apparatus, or for the encouragement of useful discoveries in the science of medicine.

Annual assessment on members for certain purposes.

SEC. 9. The president shall preside at, and govern all meetings of said society, and perform all other duties which appertain to his office; and in case of absence or disability of the president, the vice president shall perform the duties of president.

Duties of president and vice-president.

SEC. 10. The treasurer of each medical society established as aforesaid, shall receive and be accountable for all money that may come into his hands by virtue of this chapter, and the by-laws of such society; and also all moneys which shall come into the hands of the president

Duties of treasurer.

thereof, for the admission of members or licensing students; which moneys the president is hereby required to pay to the said treasurer, who shall account therefor to the society at its annual meetings; and no moneys shall be drawn from the treasury, unless in such sums and for such purposes as shall be agreed upon by a majority at their annual meetings, and by an order signed by the president, and countersigned by the recording secretary.

How moneys drawn from treasury.

Duties of recording secretary.

SEC. 11. It shall be the duty of the recording secretary of each of said societies, to provide a book, in which he shall make an entry of all by-laws, resolutions, rules, and regulations, which may be made from time to time; and also the name of each and every member of said society, and the time of his admission, and also the annual reports relative to the state of the treasury, and all such other things as a majority of the society shall think proper; to which book any member may at any time have access; and the same, together with all books, papers and records, the property of said society, which may be in his hands, shall be delivered over to his successor in office.

Duties of corresponding secretary.

SEC. 12. It shall be the duty of the corresponding secretary of each of said societies to correspond on subjects relating to medical science, with the profession throughout the United States and foreign countries, and with the different societies of this territory, when requested to do so by a resolution of the society of which he is a member, or whenever he may deem it advisable, and report to the meetings of said society everything relating to such correspondence which may be interesting to the profession.

When physicians of one county may associate with those of another.

SEC. 13. If there should not be a sufficient number of physicians and surgeons in any of the counties of this territory to form themselves into a medical society, agreeably to the provisions of this chapter, it shall be lawful for such persons to associate themselves with the physicians and surgeons of adjoining counties, for the purposes hereby contemplated.

Any person may practice, though not a member.

SEC. 14. This chapter shall not be so construed as to prevent any person from practising physic and surgery within this territory, who is not a member of any of said societies.

CHAPTER 20.

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