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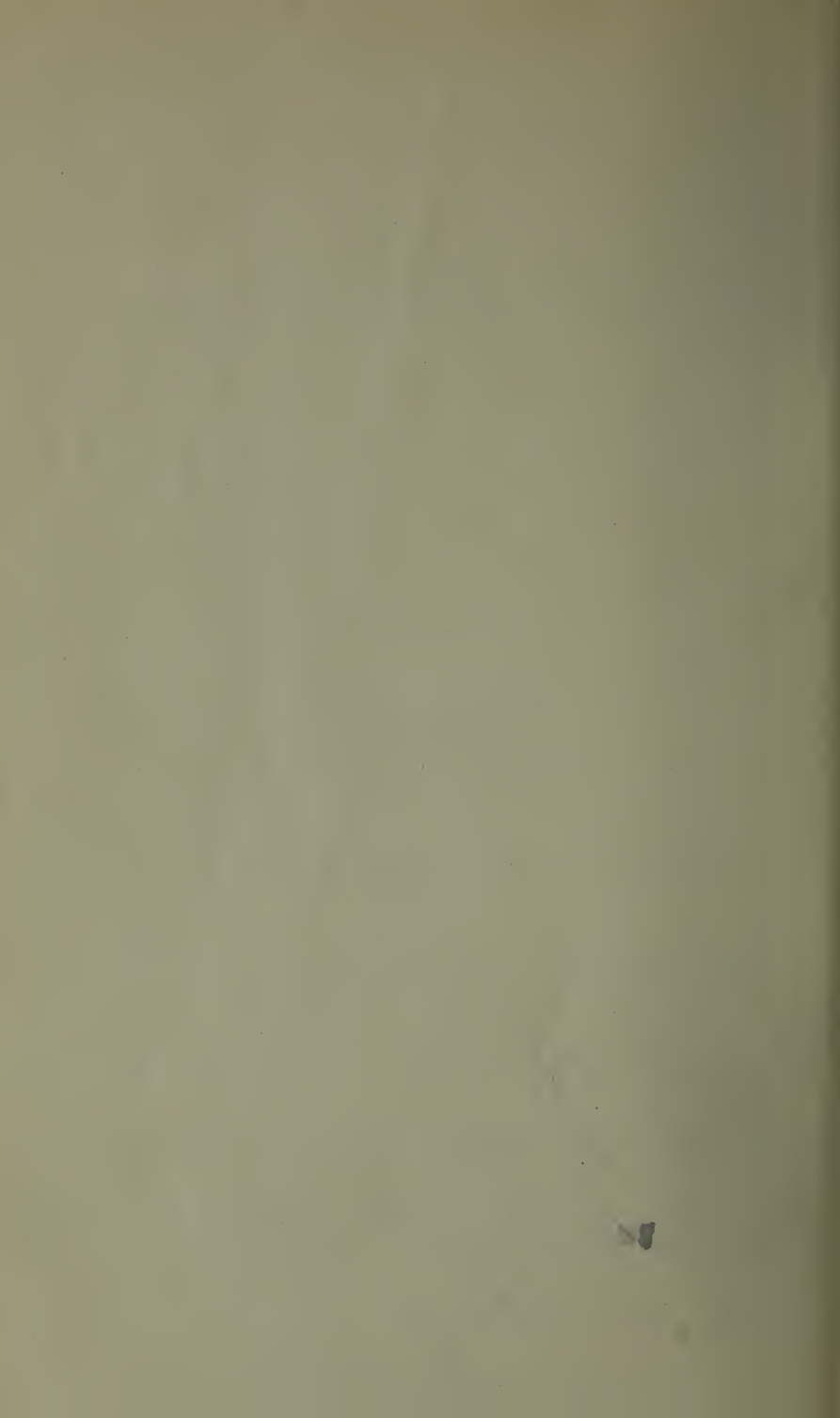
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OFFICERS

FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING FEBRUARY 1st, 1876.

PRESIDENT,

MRS. D. J. STAPLES.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,

MRS. A. L. STONE and ELKAN COHEN.

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MRS. W. T. REID.

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MRS. JOHN HOOPER,	MRS. E. W. PHILLIPS,
MRS. C. A. WRIGHT,	MRS. A. L. STONE,
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J. D. B. STILLMAN, M. D.,	J. H. WYTHE, M. D.

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, }
DEPARTMENT OF STATE. } Sacramento, March 24, 1875.

I, Drury Melone, Secretary of State of the State of California, do hereby certify that a copy of Articles of Incorporation was filed in this office on the twenty-fourth day of March, A. D. 1875, containing the following statement of facts:—

1. That the name of the corporation is the Pacific Dispensary for Women and Children.

2. That the purpose for which it is formed is to provide for women the medical aid of competent female physicians, and to assist in educating women for nurses, and in the practice of medicine, and like professions.

3. That its principal place of business is the City and County of San Francisco, California.

4. That the term for which it is to exist is fifty (50) years.

5. That the number of its Directors or Trustees is seven (7).

And the names and residences of those who are to act as Directors or Trustees until the election and qualification of such officers are:—

ANNIE S. TAYLOR,	San Francisco, California.
C. A. SIMMS,	“ “
MARY WINSLOW STAPLES,	“ “
RACHEL W. HEALY,	“ “
M. B. F. STONE,	“ “
R. J. WALLACE,	“ “
ELIZABETH W. PHILLIPS,	“ “

6. That the amount of its capital stock is one thousand Dollars (\$1,000), and the number of shares into which it is divided is fifty (50.)

Witness my hand and the Great Seal of State, at my office in Sacramento, California, the twenty-fourth day of March, A. D. 1875.

[SEAL.]

DRURY MELONE, Secretary of State.

By N. E. WHITE, Deputy.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF THE

PACIFIC DISPENSARY FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

The name of this Corporation shall be the Pacific Dispensary for Women and Children. To provide for women the medical aid of competent women physicians, and to assist in educating women for nurses, and in the practice of medicine and kindred professions.

The place where its principal place of business is to be is the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

The term for which it is to exist shall be fifty years from the date hereof.

The number of Directors to serve until the election and qualification of such officers shall be seven. Their names are as follows: Annie S. Taylor, C. A. Simms, Mary Winslow Staples, Rachael W. Healy, M. B. F. Stone, R. J. Wallace, Elizabeth W. Phillips, all of whom are residents of said City and County, and all of whom subscribe these articles.

Its Capital Stock shall be One Thousand Dollars, divided into fifty shares of twenty Dollars each, with the privilege of increasing the same to One Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Dated San Francisco, March 18th, A. D. 1875.

MARY WINSLOW STAPLES, [Seal.]

MATILDA B. F. STONE, [Seal.]

ANNIE S. TAYLOR, [Seal.]

ROMIETTA J. WALLACE, [Seal.]

ELIZABETH W. PHILLIPS, [Seal.]

RACHEL W. HEALY, [Seal.]

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,
City and County of San Francisco. } ss.

On this eighteenth day of March, A. D. 1875, personally appeared before me each of the subscribers to the foregoing articles, each to me personally known, and they severally acknowledged to me that they executed the same freely and voluntarily, and for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal at the City and County of San Francisco, at my office, the day and year last above written.

[Notarial Seal.]

E. V. JOYCE,
Notary Public.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK
Of the City and County of San Francisco. }

I, William Harney, County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, and Clerk of the County Court thereof, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of the Articles of Incorporation of the Pacific Dispensary for Women and Children, filed in my office on the twenty-third day of March, A. D. 1875.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court this Second of April, A. D. 1875.

[Seal.]

WILLIAM HARNEY, Clerk.
THOS. BENNIMAN, Deputy Clerk.

BY-LAWS

OF THE

PACIFIC DISPENSARY FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

SECTION 1. The name of the Institution shall be called Pacific Dispensary for Women and Children.

SEC. 2. The objects of the Institution shall be,—

First.—To provide for women medical aid of competent physicians of their own sex.

Second.—To assist educated women in the practical study of medicine.

Third.—To educate nurses.

SEC. 3. The government shall consist of eleven Directors who shall have the entire management of the business of the Institution.

SEC. 4. The officers shall be a President, two or more Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and two Auditors chosen from the Board by the Directors.

SEC. 5. Subscribers shall, by paying \$2.50, be entitled to vote.

SEC. 6. Subscribers paying fifty dollars at any one time will be considered life members.

SEC. 7. The visitors for each month shall be chosen from the body of Directors.

SEC. 8. The Medical Officers shall consist of one or more attending Physicians, and not less than two consulting physicians, to be chosen by the Board of Directors.

SEC. 9. The annual meeting shall be held on the fifteenth of March, at which time the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer shall be read.

SEC. 10. The annual subscription shall date from the first day of March.

SEC. 11. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give notice of the annual meetings in one or more papers. Of this and all special meetings the Secretary shall notify the Directors by letter.

SEC. 12. The Directors shall hold a regular monthly meeting for the transaction of the Dispensary business.

SEC. 13. It shall be the duty of the Secretary, who shall also be the clerk of the corporation, to keep a record of all the meetings and doings of the Directors and of the Society, and to conduct all necessary correspondence subject to the approval of the Directors. Also she shall countersign all orders on the Treasurer, signed by the President. Also, to prepare a full report to be read at the annual meeting.

SEC. 14. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and disburse all moneys on account of the Society, and to pay all moneys on drafts signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary, and to keep a careful account thereof, open at all times to the inspection of the Directors, with proper vouchers for all payments.

SEC. 15. The Auditors shall examine the account annually, and oftener, if necessary, and report at the annual meeting.

SEC. 16. It shall be the duty of the attending physicians to submit to the Board of Directors at the quarterly meeting such report of the quarter's labor as may be deemed profitable to the objects and intents of the Institution.

SEC. 17. The visitors of the month shall have the superintendence of the Dispensary during the month, co-operating with the permanent officers of the Institution.

SEC. 18. Five Directors shall constitute a quorum of their Board.

SEC. 19. Ten members shall constitute a quorum sufficient for transaction of all business at any special meeting of the Society.

SEC. 20. The Directors may fill any vacancy occurring in their number during the year. Special meetings may be called by the President, or by the Secretary, on the written request of three Directors.

SEC. 21. The by-laws may be amended at any meeting of the Society by a vote of two-thirds of the members present,—two weeks' notice that amendments are proposed being given by advertisement.

San Francisco, March 15, 1875.

The Dispensary will be open every day, Sundays and holidays excepted, from 8 to 10 A. M.

Gifts of money for this charity may be given to either of the Directors.

A charge of twenty-five cents will be made for each prescription, to cover the actual cost of the medicine. Persons unable to pay this sum will be provided gratuitously, by making known their needs to the attending physicians.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

TO THE DIRECTORS AND CONTRIBUTORS OF THE PACIFIC
DISPENSARY FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

We herewith present for your information our first Report:

At the organization, a committee, to whom was intrusted the duty of incorporating, consisted of Matilda B. F. Stone, Annie S. Taylor, Romietta J. Wallace, Elizabeth W. Phillips, Rachel W. Healy and Mary Winslow Staples, and the committee procured an act of incorporation, dated March 24, 1875. Under the act of this incorporation the managers of the Association are called Directors. In obedience to your instruction also, a petition has been prepared to be sent to the Legislature, respectfully asking an appropriation to aid us in carrying out our work. Owing to the prolonged absence of our Secretary, Mrs. E. W. Phillips, from the State, Mrs. W. T. Reid was elected her successor.

Our board of consulting physicians, whose names inspire confidence in the community, will please accept our thanks for their services; of Dr. Powers we make special mention for his constant and skilled attention upon the eye and ear patients. The thanks of the Directors are due to the attending physicians for their faithful efforts, which are entirely gratuitous, to promote the medical interests of the institution.

Death with its busy hand has been felt in our little circle, taking our first Life Member, W. C. Ralston. "He was a friend in need."

We are pleased to say that thus far, since its organization, this Dispensary has been successful beyond our most sanguine expectations. By reference to the reports of the attending physicians, it will be seen that 210 patients have been treated between April 7th and February 1st, besides surgical and ophthalmic operations.

What seemed at first *an experiment*, starting an institution of this kind for women, controlled by women, with women physicians, is in our minds no longer an experiment, but an indispensable necessity, meeting a want long since felt by the poor of this city.

As yet we can only care for those who are able to come to the Dispensary daily. Every day we see the importance and need of beds and conveniences for those who by the development of disease are not able to continue their visits; and it is with the greatest regret for these worthy and deserving women and children, that we have to dismiss them for the want of suitable facilities.

The increased number of patients, as the institution became known, rendered it necessary to increase our number of attending physicians. Just at the time that this became apparent, Dr. Sara E. Brown, of Boston, a graduate of Ann Arbor, Michigan University, arrived, and at once entered upon the work.

Among the most cherished purposes of the Directors is the establishing of a school for the training of nurses. To this idea before the present year expires, we intend to have the initiatory steps taken, by lectures from the attending physicians to those who wish to avail themselves of their benefit. Year after year, our Directors, as well as other heads of families, have had the conviction strengthened that there is no greater want in this community than that of good nurses; and if for no other reason, as a powerful auxiliary to the physician, we shall urge its supply and for a vocation for women, which in this Golden State is limited enough, it is a matter of surprise that more intelligent women do not seek and educate themselves for this employment, and make it one of dignity and honor.

We need additional funds to aid us in procuring a building where we could have a few beds to carry out the plans thus marked out; and while enlarging our accommodations, we hope also to increase our educational work. As soon as we have an Infirmary Department, we shall employ pupil nurses as far as it is found practicable, and in this way educate nurses, who shall be competent for their important functions.

We have been obliged to refuse applications from patients, anxious to have the care of women physicians, whose means enabled them to pay in part or whole for superior accommodations.

It gives us great pleasure to take this opportunity to thank every one who aided us in starting this work. Our first donations of drugs and material for the drug room were among the most valuable.

The first few Life Memberships gave us the first quickened pulse, which has given life and health ever since. We are sure these persons will never again have an opportunity to do so much good with the price of a Life Membership.

Our list of annual subscribers is constantly increasing; and as the public become acquainted with the project, it commends itself to them for continued support.

While this is an effort for women to help women in alleviating distress and sickness, let us not forget to do it in a womanly way — which means, in brief, to depend upon our brother man to accomplish it. To them we must look for the financial aid; and judging from our past experience, they prefer to aid in charity through organized societies, instead of promiscuous giving, doubting whether their money does good or not.

Is it too much to hope, as we continue successful in this enterprise, showing by our zeal and disinterestedness, that our aim is to help the poor, whom our Saviour said: "Ye have with you always," that at sometime, perhaps not far distant, some of our wealthy, philanthropic men will remember us substantially, enabling us to put on a good foundation, an Infirmary and Dispensary for Women and Children equal to any institution of the kind at the East?

Our means of support, so far, has been obtained entirely by solicitation, and we invite our friends to visit the Dispensary any morning, Sundays excepted, from 8 to 10, to see for themselves what use is made of the money so procured. We hope all donors will be gratified, and "Not be weary in well doing," but feel that their assistance is appreciated, and that they will continue to take an interest in this work for the public good.

MRS. D. J. STAPLES, President,

PACIFIC DISPENSARY FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN,

San Francisco, 520 Taylor Street, February 4th, 1876.

REPORT OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIANS.

In presenting to your attention our first Report, it may be well to commence with a few words in regard to the patients who come to us for advice and treatment. In a city and community like this, where there is a large and continual increase of population, the people coming not only from the West and Northwest, but from the Atlantic coast, the fatigue of the long journeys, and change of climate and food, must conduce to much ill-health and disease, to say nothing of the large number of invalids who come to these shores hoping to be benefited by the climate. By far the greater portion of these newcomers are of the working-class—mechanics, artisans, farmers and laborers of all kinds. They bring their wives and children with them, and often other dependent relatives. They have but little money, and as there is frequently a delay of months in obtaining work, that little is soon gone. Homesickness, aggravated by the repeated disappointments in getting employment, depresses the nervous system; and worry and anxiety give added weight to their burdens. At last the mother or children fall sick, with means exhausted, depressed in body and mind, strangers in a new and strange country, they know not where to turn for relief or medical aid.

This free Dispensary meets their need; here the suffering women and their sick children find sympathetic physicians of their own sex, whom they may consult with freedom, confident of their interest and care. Such cases are by no means rare. They come to us every week, and nearly every day. There are but few of our patients from the lowest and poorest class; they are for the most part industrious, respectable, intelligent working-women, those who in health are self-supporting, useful members of our working community, and who up to the present crisis have never asked charity in any form.

Many of this number are teachers, dressmakers, sewing-women, some have little children or aged relatives dependent upon them, and were it not for the service and medical assistance rendered them here, in this their hour of need, they and their dependents might be obliged to seek an asylum in the Alms-house. On so slender a thread as the health of one working-woman frequently depends the support of those who would otherwise sink into the rapidly filling ranks of pauperism; but, with timely help, what might prove their fatal gulf of despair is bridged over, and they are spared to resume

their position and work. A few cases may demonstrate still further the result of our efforts.

In June a teacher of drawing came to us suffering from a serious disease of the eye, which endangered the sight of both. A skillful and careful examination proved that her only hope lay in an operation. This necessary service our oculist rendered, and in a few weeks she was able to resume her classes free from all pain, and happy as are those only who have faced the possibility of total blindness.

Another, a German widow, with three little children dependent upon her for support, was suffering from granulation of the eyelids, to such an extent that as to be unable to work from the pain and impairment of sight. The proper applications were made, and in a few weeks, after many earnest expressions of gratitude, she returned to her work.

A poor laboring woman came one morning complaining that though she was well and able to work no one would employ her, "because she was so deaf," and it had been increasing for two years. An examination soon revealed the cause of her trouble, and after the second visit her hearing was restored, and she went her way rejoicing.

A child of eleven years was brought with a purulent discharge from both ears, and hearing much impaired, owing to severe scarlet fever. After a number of weeks of patient care she was sufficiently restored to return to her school, and attend to the recitations which before she had been unable to hear.

Still another, a Scotch woman, afflicted with an incurable disease of the heart, was attended by us for several weeks at her home, until her failing strength made a nurse's care necessary, and we were obliged to send her to the City and County Hospital, where she remained till death relieved her.

For lack of accommodations we have been obliged to refuse quite a number of obstetrical cases, and also some very interesting medical and surgical cases, which might have had prompt relief, if we could have had beds for them.

In several cases of severe illness we have been compelled, by the urgency of the case, to continue the care of the patients at their homes, or send them to the already crowded hospitals.

Our figures show the large proportion of children prescribed for, owing, no doubt, to the fact that this is the only place in the city where they can be treated free of charge, as well as to the growing feeling among the poor at least, that women are more patient, and successful in the diseases incident to childhood, than men.

We have had quite a number of applicants for instruction in nursing, but we have to refuse them, until suitable accommodations for their practical training are afforded. We regret very much the necessity for such a course, as the lack of good, well-trained nurses is a want keenly felt, by physicians as well as the community at large. It is to be hoped that within a short time suitable rooms and sufficient means will be placed at our disposal for a beginning at least of this important work.

We offer the following statistics, to give you some idea of the amount of work accomplished, with the very limited means at our command, and the great lack of instruments and appliances with which to extend our benefits :

Total number of patients treated.....	210
“ “ of prescriptions.....	735

NATIVITIES:		CIVIL STATES:	
American.....	106	Married	85
Irish	68	Single.....	38
German	11	Widows	30
French.....	2	Children	57
English	19		
Scotch.....	3	Total.....	210
Polish Jew.....	1		

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES TREATED AT THE DISPENSARY.

MEDICAL:

Bronchitis.....	19	Mitral Disease of the Heart...	1
Dyspepsia	13	Diarrhœa	1
Pharyngitis.....	4	Hemicrania.....	1
General Debility.....	15	Follicular Pharyngitis.....	1
Coryza	5	Asthma.....	2
Hæmaturia	1	Lumbricoides	1
Neuralgia	5	Rubeola	1
Constipation.....	13	Phthisis Pulmonalis.....	1
Nervous prostration.....	1	Hypertrophied Tonsils.....	1
Dysuria	1	Rheumatism.....	2
Anasarca	1	Intermittent Fever.....	3
Anæmia.....	5	Cystitis.....	5
Odontalgia.....	1	Marasmus	1
Tonsilitis.....	3	Seborrhœa.....	1
Ascarides	1		
Whooping Cough.....	2	Total.....	112

DISEASES OF WOMEN:

Menorrhagia.....	5	Granular Erosion of Cervix...	3
Flexion of the Uterus.....	6	Vaginitis, acute.....	2
Amenorrhœa	1	Congestion of the Uterus.....	2
Pregnancy.....	8	Subinvolution.....	4
Menopause	2	Chlorosis.....	1
Endometritis.....	5	Abdominal Tumor.....	1
Pelvic Cellulitis.....	1	Areolar Hyperplasia.....	1
Versions of the Uterus.....	4	Hysteria.....	1
Endocervicitis	10	Vaginitis Follicular.....	2
Metritis	5		
Fibroid of the Uterus.....	1	Total.....	66
Uterine Polypus.....	1		

SURGICAL:

Indurated Glands.....	2	Indolent Ulcer of the leg.....	1
Hernia	2	Pityriasis	1
Undescended Testes.....	1	Herpes Circinata.....	1
Erysipelas.....	1	Fistula in Ano.....	1
Ozæna	3	Urethritis.....	1
Splinter in thumb, 4 years, removed.....	1	Difficult Articulation.....	1
Abscess of chin.....	1	Exostosis of Malar bone.....	1
Eczema.....	2	Hemorrhoids	1
Syphilis.....	3		
Varicose veins.....	2	Total.....	26

EYE AND EAR:

Tarsal Ophthalmia.....	3	Catarrhal inflammation	
Granular Conjunctivitis.....	1	Eustachian tube.....	1
Cyclitis.....	1	Cerumen	1
Glaucoma	1	Otitis Media Catarrhalis	
Phlyctenular Ophthalmia.....	2	Chronica.....	1
Inflammation lachrymal duct	1	Tinnitus Aurium.....	1
Conjunctivitis.....	5	Aural Polypus.....	2
		Otitis Chronica.....	5
		Impaired hearing.....	4
Total eye patients.....	14	Total no. ear patients....	15

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA E. BUCKNELL, M. D.,
 CHARLOTTE B. BROWN, M. D.,
 SARA E. BROWN, M. D.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the President and Board of Directors:

The Pacific Dispensary for Women and Children is just completing its first year of existence.

The advisability of opening in San Francisco a Free Dispensary for the treatment of Women and Children by women physicians was first taken into formal consideration February 26, 1875, at the house of Dr. Martha E. Bucknell; the following ladies having met together for that purpose:

MRS. D. J. STAPLES,	MRS. E. W. PHILLIPS,
“ A. L. STONE,	“ BOSWORTH,
“ C. A. WRIGHT,	“ T. C. BANKS,
“ CYRUS PALMER,	“ H. WATSON,
MRS. J. R. SIMS.	

The objects to be aimed at in establishing such an institution were such as commended themselves at once to all present, and the advisability of undertaking its establishment was not only agreed upon, but immediate measures were taken towards organization.

The following officers were finally elected:

PRESIDENT,

MRS. D. J. STAPLES.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,

MRS. A. L. STONE and ELKAN COHEN.

SECRETARY,

MRS. E. W. PHILLIPS.

TREASURER,

MRS. OLIVER W. EASTON.

AUDITORS,

MRS. C. A. WRIGHT and MRS. C. L. TAYLOR.

DIRECTORS,

MRS. D. J. STAPLES,	MRS. CYRUS PALMER,
MRS. A. L. STONE,	MRS. C. L. TAYLOR,
MRS. C. A. WRIGHT,	MRS. O. W. EASTON,
MRS. J. R. SIMMS,	MRS. JOHN HOOPER,
MRS. E. W. PHILLIPS,	MRS. WM. T. WALLACE,
MRS. JOSEPH HEALY,	MRS. ELKAN COHEN,

MRS. THOMAS FLINT.

ATTENDING PHYSICIANS,

DR. MARTHA E. BUCKNELL, and DR. CHARLOTTE B. BROWN.

CONSULTING PHYSICIANS,

DR. HENRY GIBBONS, Sr.,	DR. J. D. B. STILLMAN,
DR. J. H. WYTHE,	DR. THOS. BENNETT,
DR. G. H. POWERS,	DR. S. M. MOUSER.

The by-laws now in force were adopted at a meeting held March 8th, 1875.

Incorporation papers were shortly obtained, stock was issued, and the rooms now in use at 520 Taylor Street were secured and furnished. The Dispensary was then announced through the papers as open for patients between the hours of 8 and 10 A. M.

The election of officers by the society, now that it had become a legal body, took place June 14, 1875, and resulted in the re-election of the entire corps of officers.

Owing to the unexpected and prolonged absence from the State of the Secretary, Mrs. E. W. Phillips, and to the continued illness of Mrs. Flint, the Secretary pro tem., the office was declared vacant, and Mrs. W. T. Reid was elected to fill the vacancy.

The resignation of Mrs. C. L. Taylor and Mrs. Cyrus Palmer made the election of other Directors necessary, and accordingly, Mrs. Irving M. Scott and Mrs. Henry Graves were elected.

Meanwhile the number of patients in the Dispensary steadily increased, often necessitating the attendance of the physicians till 11 o'clock. It was therefore considered advisable to appoint a third physician to share in the office duties. Dr. Sara E. Brown, a physician of experience from Boston, now in San Francisco, was accordingly appointed.

The three physicians give their services gratuitously, two days each—Dr. Charlotte B. Brown being in attendance on Monday and Thursday, Dr. Martha E. Bucknell on Tuesday and Friday, and Dr. Sara E. Brown on Wednesday and Saturday.

Since its organization the Board has held 12 regular meetings and 5 special meetings.

The year has not been without its difficulties. In common with all enterprises of this character, we have felt the influence of the financial depression, and more than once our Treasury has been empty, and the Directors have had to advance money for rent. This, however, has been done with the greatest cheerfulness, for we have had sufficient encouragement in the good we saw being accomplished. We now call the attention of the public to our institution and the record of its short past with no small degree of satisfaction, and with the decided hope and expectation that many hands will be reached out for our support and aid in future.

There are now under treatment patients so situated as to render proper care and nursing impossible. To provide for such cases the Directors hope to establish an Infirmary, in which benevolently-disposed organizations and persons may support free beds and control their use.

It would not be in accordance with the spirit in which the Dispensary has been conducted and supported to enter into any extended discussion of the merits of the undertaking, or a lengthy appeal in its behalf. Its plans and purposes, and its methods of carrying them out have been explained and its needs pointed out. It is believed that the provision of proper medical attention and care for the needy sick will at once be recognized as the merest act of humanity; and it is hoped that the management of the institution will commend it as a trustworthy medium, through which such care and attention may be given.

Respectfully submitted

MRS. W. T. REID, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mrs. O. W. EASTON, Treasurer, in account with Pacific Dispensary for Women and Children, from March 8, 1875, to February 1, 1876.

RECEIPTS.

To Cash received: Subscriptions and Donations.....	\$ 548.50
“ “ “ From Dispensary	30.30
Donations on Bills as follows:	
Carpentering and Upholstering Work in Dispensary.....	39.00
Directory.....	5.00
Drugs and Sundries.....	162.16
Printing.....	13.90
Signs.....	20.30
Advertising—Daily Papers.....	22.00
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	\$841.16

DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash paid: Notary Public—Incorporation Papers.....	\$ 15.00
“ “ Eleven months Rent—from March 26, 1875, to Feb. 26, 1876, at \$30.00 per month.....	330.00
“ “ Furniture and Carpenter Work for Dispensary.....	87.25
“ “ Drugs and Sundries.....	162.66
“ “ Signs—Hopps & Sons.....	20.30
“ “ Stationery and Postage Stamps.....	8.25
“ “ Advertising—Daily Papers.....	69.25
“ “ Printing	63.90
“ “ Insurance on Furniture.....	6.00
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	\$762.61

Amount of Cash on hand \$78.55.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. O. W. EASTON, Treasurer.

San Francisco, February 2, 1876.

DISPENSARY CASH ACCOUNT.

From April 7, 1875, to February 1, 1876—

Cash received from Dispensary Patients.....		\$106.55
Cash paid out for Instruments, Drugs and Sundries.....	\$ 66.30	
Cash paid out to Treasurer.....	30.30	96.60
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Balance Cash in hand.....		\$ 9.95

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA E. BUCKNELL, M. D.,
 CHARLOTTE B. BROWN, M. D.,
 SARA E. BROWN, M. D.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

San Francisco, January 24, 1876.

We have examined the Treasurer's accounts of the Pacific Dispensary, and find them correct.

CAROLINE A. WRIGHT, }
MRS. IRVING M. SCOTT, } Auditors.

DONATIONS TO PACIFIC DISPENSARY.

From March 31st, 1875, to January 11th, 1876.

Donations on bills as follows:

John Taylor & Co., Drugs and Sundries.....	\$ 45.26
Hopps & Sons, Signs.....	20.30
Fletcher & Day, Upholstering table.....	8.00
Bulletin Co., advertising.....	3.75
W. T. Wenzel, drugs and sundries.....	15.95
Painter & Calvert, drugs and sundries.....	33.00
Redington & Co., drugs and sundries.....	49.95
Haynes & Lawton, clock.....	4.25
Langley & Co., directory.....	5.00
C. C. Burnett, drugs.....	8.00
Cummings & Co., table.....	2.50
Cole & Co., furniture.....	12.00
J. E. Nutting, carpenter work.....	12.25
H. S. Crocker & Co., printing and stationery.....	13.90
W. M. Searby, drugs and sundries.....	10.00
Morning Call, advertising.....	10.00
Morning Chronicle, advertising.....	8.25
Fireman's Fund Ins. Co., chairs, cupboard and matting	40.00

 \$302.36

MRS. O. W. EASTON,

SAN FRANCISCO, February 2, 1876.

Treasurer.

