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H. J. McKellops

Henry James Byron McKellops

1878–1879

Doctor McKellops, of St. Louis, was elected eighteenth president of the Association at the 1878 meeting at Niagara Falls. He had served as first vice president in 1875–1876.

Doctor McKellops was an expert in the use of gold and platinum foil, and lectured and demonstrated his skill throughout the United States and in Europe. He was the first president of the Missouri State Dental Association. Doctor McKellops was born in New York in 1823 and died in 1901.

An unusual demand abroad for American agricultural products in 1879 brought gold into the country in large amounts. F. W. Woolworth opened his first five-and-ten cent store in Utica, New York. A proclamation by President Hayes warned “Billy the Kid” and his gang to stop robbing ranches in New Mexico.