

cines should be disposed of in small quantities, at the cheapest possible rates, and that each packet should be accompanied by explicit directions as to the dose to be taken. The commercial traveller is an unknown quantity in China, and a Chinaman has to go in search of his commodities instead of their going in search of him. Everywhere in shops one sees the same class of foreign goods, the same miscellaneous assortment of odds and ends, but never anything of a modern or up-to-date nature. This is simply the result of ignorance on the part of the Chinese trader; he does not know of them, and, if he did, he would not know, in all probability, where to go to procure them. Judicious advertising might improve matters, but what are really needed are local agencies, where samples of all kinds of goods might be inspected without difficulty or compulsion to purchase.—*British and Colonial Druggist*.

Customs Decisions.

Amongst the recent decisions approved by the Controller of Customs we find the following:

Surgical splints, all kinds, 15½ per cent.

Isinglass, 25 per cent.

Sunflower seed, in bulk or large parcels, 10 per cent.; in small papers or parcels, 25 per cent.

Rose water and orange water, non-alcoholic, 20 per cent.

Advertising rules and yard sticks, 35 per cent.

Artificial essential oil of wintergreen and sassafras, 10 per cent.

Two or more oils blended, 10 per cent.

Packages containing lamp chimneys, dutiable at same rate as contents, viz., 30 per cent.

Douches rubber, 25 per cent.

Pessaries, 25 per cent.

Medicinal wines (so-called), viz., Amer Kina, Camperdon, Armour's nutrient wine of beef extract, Vincarnis wine, Vino du Salude, vin de vial, vin de barbier, vin de Chevrier, vin danduron, vin de rancio, vin St. Michael, vin St. Raphael, vin Mariana, Esprit de Comemille, and others of like nature, \$2.25 per gallon, and 30 per cent.

Ricinin, the cathartic principle of castor oil, can be extracted from castor cake by boiling with water, straining, evaporating to an extract, and exhausting with alcohol. The alcoholic solution leaves on evaporation a resinous residue in which crystals of ricinin can be seen.

Argonin is a new silver compound prepared by precipitating a solution of silver nitrate and casein-soda with alcohol. It is described as a fine white powder which dissolves in water with a neutral reaction. The silver in the compound is not precipitated by chlorides, ammonium sulphide, etc.

Business Notices.

As the design of the CANADIAN DRUGGIST is to benefit mutually all interested in the business, we would request all parties ordering goods or making purchases of any description from houses advertising with us to mention in their letter that such advertisement was noticed in the CANADIAN DRUGGIST.

The attention of Druggists and others who may be interested in the articles advertised in this journal is called to the special consideration of the Business Notices.

The Britannia scribbler, shown by Buntin, Gillies & Co., Hamilton, is embellished with a cut of the Prince of Wales' celebrated yacht. It makes a handsome cover.

Buntin, Gillies & Co., Hamilton, Ont. are making a big push for business in school supplies. Their new scribbler covers are beauties, and the quality of stock is first-class. The dealer who has these on his counter when school opens will stand well with the pupils.

SHOW CASES.—If you want a show case of any description, made of best materials and good workmanship, write the Montreal Show Case Co., mentioning this journal. See advertisement.

LICORICE.—When you order licorice ask for "Y. & S." brand. This is the advice given by the celebrated makers, Messrs. Young & Smylie, of Brooklyn, N.Y., and if you follow it, you cannot go astray.

ODOROMO.—This is the name of a dentifrice, only recently put on the market. It is one of the handsomest packages we have seen, and the purity and excellence of the powder is certified to by a competent authority. See advertisement.

LISTER SURGICAL CO.—The Lister Surgical Co. are removing their plant from Kearney, N.J., to New Brunswick, N.J., and are rapidly putting it in shape to push their business with greater facilities than heretofore. A larger amount of capital has been secured, and they are also able to obtain in their new location skilled labor which has been trained in the manufacture of their special products.

TYPEWRITER.—The attention of wholesale druggists, patent medicine manufacturers, druggists, and all others who find it necessary to use a typewriter, is directed to the advertisement on page 206a of this issue. The typewriter there mentioned is one that is giving universal satisfaction, and is being used in Government and departmental offices. Write for prices, etc., and mention THE CANADIAN DRUGGIST.

FRUIT TABLETS.—Fine confectionery has now become a staple line in the stock of all first-class druggists, the more so since the public have become aware of the fact that the best goods may be obtained in their drug store. We have pleasure in

presenting to the trade the announcement of G. J. Hamilton & Sons, who manufacture a line of strictly first-class fruit tablets, prepared from the best English formula. They have a list of 48 flavors, embracing all the well-known names, as well as many new ones. The goods are handsomely put up, as shown in their advertisement on page 208a of this issue. They also manufacture the "Arctic Cough Drops," a popular line, and put up in lithographed tins, flint glass jars, and in packages to retail at 5 cents each. Write for quotations and list of flavors.

Optical Goods.

The Montreal Optical Co. has opened a branch in this city at No. 60 Yonge street, where a full line of optical goods, etc., will be kept. This will prove a great convenience to dealers in the west. See advertisement.

At the Toronto Exhibition.

Amongst the exhibits at the Toronto Industrial Exhibition just closed, there were a number of peculiar interest to the drug trade.

The Truro Condensed Milk and Canning Co. had an exhibit of the "Reindeer Brand" goods, comprising condensed milk, evaporated cream, condensed coffee, and condensed cocoa. These preparations are highly recommended by a number of leading physicians, and analysis has proved them to be of superior quality.

John Taylor & Company have a show case filled with perfumery—an exceedingly neat and tasty display. In addition to their choice lines of well-known odors, they show an original copper of otto of rose and a sample package of Court's orange pomade. A perfume fountain, giving forth a stream of a delightful lavender water, prepared by this firm from pure Mitchin lavender, was a source of attraction to many of the fair sex.

The K.D.C. Company had a display of their well-known remedy, and bestowed literature *ad libitum* on the passers-by.

The Canada Paint Company showed a large assortment of dry colors, paints, oils, colors in oil, gums, etc. They report a very gratifying business for the year. Their output of Paris green in the past season exceeded three hundred and fifty tons.

The Smith Manufacturing Company, of Galt, Ontario, exhibited a complete line of their popular American silver truss. This truss is the invention of Mr. A. G. Smith, of Toronto, and is made in one piece of nickel silver. It is light and elegant, and costs less than many inferior trusses. The silver truss, from its adaptability, peculiarity of shape, and mode of application, adjusts itself to every posture of the body without displacement, and is worn with comfort. Some of its advantages seem to be its simplicity, durability, coolness, and capacity of withstanding