Correspondence.

To the Editor of THE MONTREAL PHARMA-CEUTICAL JOURNAL.

The druggists of Charlottetown are jubilant over a new state of affairs inaugurated by Mr. Carmichael, traveller for Messrs. Lyman, Sons & Co. No one seemed to know why, how or when cut prices had come to stay, but there they were and most unwelcome guests in the bargain. So Mr. Carmichael came to the rescue, drew up the following agreement, took it around to all the druggists in town and got their ready and willing signatures to the document. Although the new departure is a pronounced success, the public seem satisfied with the assurance that the full price is the lowest obtainable; the druggist has no longer to place himself in the humiliating position of taking just what he can get, but has confidence in asking his proper due, and the druggists welcome a restored feeling of mutual confidence which seemed for a time to have departed. A letter of thanks was sent to Mr. Carmichael whose kindly interest will long be gratefully remembered by the druggists of Charlottetown.

AGREEMENT.

We, the undersigned pharmacists of the city of Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, recognizing the present unbusiness - like position into which the Patent Medicine trade has fallen and drifted, and for the remedying of this and other grievances.

We, the undersigned subscribers on our honor as gentlemen and pharmacists hereby agree each with the other to following:—

On and after Monday, March 18th, 1895, all Patent Medicines and the goods usually kept in a drug store shall be sold singly at the marked price on the package or advertised by the manufacturer.

When sold in half dozen quantities the price shall be the single price of five.

When sold in quarter dozen quantities the price shall be one half the price of the half dozen quantity.

All articles sold in quantities for cash may, or may not be delivered at the time of sale but the total amount of sale must be deposited.

All articles sold in quantities on credit must

be delivered at the time of sale.

The following list of articles as specially exclusive of the foregoing. To the selling price of them we further agree, viz:—

Allan's Hair Restorer\$1	25
Ayer's Hair Vigor 1	00
Beecham's Pills (English)	35
Bullen Leeming's Essence	75
Burnett's Cocaine	60

Collis Brown's Chlorodyne (sm). 40	
" (lge). 1 00	
Cuticura Resolvent 1 50	
" Ointment 65	
" Plasters 30	
" Soaps 25	
Cockle's Pills 35	
Condy's Fluid 35	
Dunn's Fruit Saline 75	
Enos' Fruit Salt 90	
Elliman's Embrocation (sm) 50	
" (lge) 1 00	
Florida Water M. & L 60	
Fellow's Syrup 1 25	
Holloway's Pills (sm) 35	
" " (lge) 90	
" Ointment (sm) 35	
" (lge) 90	
Horsford's Acid Phosphate 75	
Hall's Hair Renewer 75	
Kennedy's Medical Discovery 1 75	
Lamplough's Saline	
Murray's Fluid Magnesia 35	
Mellin's Food (sm) 50	
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Medicamentum10	
McKenzie's Dead Shot 10	
Packer's Tar Soap 25	
Mexican Mustang Liniment 35	
Sozodont 75	
Steedman's Soothing Powders 35	
Stedman's Teething 35	
Tinct Iodine or Opium, 1 oz . 10	
" 4 oz. lots & over 08	
Ordinary 08	
4 oz. lots & over 1 00 p. 1	b

All articles costing from \$7.50 to \$8.50 no price marked thereon sell for \$1.00 Dated this 16th day of March, 1895.

LAWRENCE WATSON.

Safeguards Against Deterioration of Stock.

By LEON C. FINK.

From the Bulletin of Pharmacy.

A large proportion of the materials which constitute the stock of an average drug store are particularly prone to deterioration, and painstaking pharmacists are required to exercise more than ordinary circumspection to prevent exposure of sensitive pharmaceuticals to pernicious influences. In fact the art of affording such protection is quite as important as the ability to select drugs and prepare medicines properly.

A complete tabulation of all the chemical and physical changes which can modify and injure pharmaceutical preparations is not within the scope of this article, but it is deemed apposite to mention a few exemplary