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We must thank our readers for the true appreciation of this journal as evinced by the many laudatory letters received, some of which were sent for publication, but which lack of space prevents. It is most gratifying at all times to be assured that your endeavors are appreciated, and none the less so in the case of the editor of a trade journal. That we may continue to merit this approbation will be our constant endeavor.

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A good way—to lose customers: Sit in an easy chair in your store, reading a paper; and when persons come in to buy, either keep on reading, or look over the edge of your paper and growl out, "What do you want?" On no account give the least hint that you are glad to see them, or would like to have them come again. Don't let them suspect for an instant that you are anxious to serve them. *Exchange.*

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SOMETIME ago, an amusing paragraph went the rounds of the press, telling of the experience of a foreigner in trying to get hold of the dictionary equivalent of a common American word—"that'lldo." In some places the expression is entirely insignificant; in others it indicates a pernicious habit. Too frequently it is the latter. When a man turns out a bit of work which he knows to be inferior, with the remark "that'lldo," he runs the risk of injuring his reputation, and of cultivating the habit of "slouchy" performance. This no one, whether employer or employee, can afford. It is always worth while to do our best, if what we attempt is worth doing at all.

Pharmacists by Act of Parliament.

We notice by the Ontario Gazette that J. A. Brown, of Tottenham, and Reuben Arthur Mason, of Markham, are applying to the Legislature for special Acts to empower them to practice pharmacy in this Province. We trust that all such efforts

will prove abortive, such special legislation only tends to weaken the acknowledged usefulness of our Pharmacy Act, and establishes an unfortunate precedent. The College is open to these gentlemen as well as to all and there should be no special privileges nor underground way of obtaining what others have to spend time and money to secure.

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Publications.

We are in receipt of a neatly bound copy of the proceedings of the twelfth annual meeting of the Ohio State Pharmaceutical Association to which is added a copy of the By-Laws and also the Act of Incorporation of the Association.

The American Art Printer for February announces a change of editor. Amongst the engravings in this number are "Yorkton's Editorial Carnival," "Yes or No," and a life-like group of the "Trustees of the Childs-Drexel Home for Union Printers;" as usual, the letter press is *par excellence*.

Answers to Queries.

"Pharmacist," Manitoba—(1) They are applied with a mucilage of gum Arabic and, after being placed in position, a sizing of Isinglass or gum Arabic is applied, this, when dry and hard, is varnished with damar or other white spirit varnish; (2) Write Price Bros. Co., 125 Worth St., New York City; (3) From eight to twelve dollars per week here.

"A. C. S."—The chloroform is insoluble in the glycerine. Dissolve the oleoresin and oil in 4 or 6 drachms of alcohol and you will have a satisfactory result.

Homœopathy in Russia.

Homœopathy is said to be spreading in Russia, especially in the upper social strata. Societies for the propagation of the Hahnemannian doctrines have recently been established at Tschernigow, Odessa, and Warsaw. As has been noticed in other countries, the clergy are conspicuous among the supporters of the great medical heresy, and in Russia the military mind seems also to have an elective affinity for globules and infinitesimal dilutions. Thus, at Tchernigow, one of the founders of the new Society is the Bishop (Benjamin). At Odessa, among those who have signed the draft statutes of the Society are the Archbishop of Cherson (Nikanor), Generals Count Rostowzew, Roop, Teplow, and Strandmann, and the Mayor of the city, M. Marashi, with his deputy, M. Ligin.

Iodoform Substitutes.

At the last meeting of the Society of Therapeutics, Pharmacist Yvon said, after numerous trials for devising an iodoform substitute, odorless and easily prepared, he fixes upon cinchonine iodosulphate, a combination obtained when the alkaloid sulphate is thrown down with Bouehardat's reagent—that is, iodised potassium iodide. Cinchonine was selected owing to its comparatively low price. As to the iodine combination, it is one of a class well known since Herapath's remarkable works. The iodosulphate may be obtained as follows:—

(1.)

Sulphate of cinchonine..	1 gramme.
Water	80 grammes.

Dissolve.

(2.)

Iodine.....	1 gramme.
Potassium iodide	10 grammes.
Water	1000 grammes.

The second solution is to be added to the first, but an excess must be carefully avoided. The chocolate-brown precipitate produced is to be collected on a filter, washed until it contains no free iodine, and lastly dried in open air. The result is an odorless, light, impalpable powder, insoluble in water, soluble in alcohol and ether. It contains 50 per cent. of iodine, and, so far, has proved very satisfactory in clinical practice. As an antiseptic, it is in no way inferior to iodoform. From a pharmaceutical standpoint, it presents the advantage of being easily and inexpensively prepared.—*Chemist and Druggist.*

Origin of Titles.

Ergot is a title of French origin; Gel-semium from an Italian word; jalap from Mexican; manna and myrrha, Hebrew; camphora, Chinese; catechu, Japanese; cusso, Abyssinian; bucha, Hottentot; senna, Senaar; cambogia, Cambodian; benzoe, Siamese; kino, Malabar; cajuput, Moluccan; calumba, Mozambique; quassia, Surinamese; tamarindus, East Indian; guaiacum, West Indian; senega is named after the Seneca Indians of North America; cuprum, after the island of Cyprus; magnesia after a town in Asia Minor; gentiana after King Gentius of Illyria; kramerea after Herr Kramer and nicotiana after Monsieur Jean Nicot.—*Prof. Oscar Oldberg on Pharmacopœical Nomenclature.*

A Versatile Practitioner.

The following very amusing advertisement, says the *Medical Press*, appears in the columns of a Westmeath journal:—

MICHAEL KENNA, of Friarstown Parish, of Meelin, 4 miles from Tyrrellspass, 4 from Rochford Bridge, 3 from Castletown-Geoghegan. I propose to cure by Herbs—Water Gravel, Kidney Gravel, Rheumatism, Blast, Piles inwardly and outwardly, Falling Sickness, any person wishes to have the Blight stopped on their potatoes, the Tooth Ache, soft and hard corns. If you wish to have your hens laying in winter apply to me.