

The president stated that he had changed in a prescription containing atropia $\frac{1}{10}$ to $\frac{1}{20}$ by writing the 2 heavily over the 1 in the denominator ; but the druggist had misconstrued it to mean $\frac{1}{2}$. After taking a dose the patient had a very uncomfortable night. He related two other cases where the patients had taken a quantity of belladonna liniment instead of some other medicine meant for internal use, by mistake. But by the use of morphia and the stomach tube recoveries took place in both cases.

Dr. James McCallum related the case of an old man who was undergoing treatment for his eyes, atropia grain 4 to the ounce being used for eye-drops. He was brought to the hospital in a state of delirium, and it was impossible to tell whether he was suffering from alcoholism, atropine poisoning, or pneumonia. But the following day discovery of the physical sign of pneumonia on one side of the chest revealed what the true condition was.

Dr. Webster reported a case in which an eruption appeared on a young girl who was wearing a belladonna plaster. He had had another case in which $\frac{1}{2}$ grain tablets of belladonna had produced toxic effects. The same dose repeated in pill form had no such effect. He referred to another patient in whom $\frac{1}{10}$ of a minim fluid extract produced a very severe headache and marked dryness of the throat.

The society then adjourned.