

examinations were held on Friday, May 2nd, with the following result :—

MATERIA MEDICA.

	<i>First Prize.</i>	<i>Second Prize.</i>
2nd year apprentices ..	James H. Bowman,	C. E. Williams.
3rd “ “ ...	Fred. Hogg.	G. Anderson.

CHEMISTRY.

	<i>First Prize.</i>	<i>Second Prize.</i>
2nd year apprentices...	James H. Bowman.	C. E. Williams.
3rd “ “ ...	Fred. Hogg.	W. M. Moore.

Editorial Summary.

A NEW SOLUTION OF CHLORIDE OF IRON.—(Edward Butler, *Pharm. Jour. & Trans.*,) If the deposit from Liquor Ferri Alkalini, P. L., 1824, be collected and washed frequently, and added while moist to a weak solution of hydrochloric acid, (one fluid drachm acid to fifteen fluid drachms water) the solution, when filtered presents certain peculiarities. It has a deep garnet color ; it has scarcely any taste, either of acid or iron, and is exceedingly astringent. The preparation is said by the author to answer to the Liq. Ferri Chloroxidi, mentioned by Mr. Squire, in his last edition of the *Companion to the Pharmacopœia*.

RESEARCHES ON SULPHOVINIC ACID.—In a letter to the President of the Paris Society of Pharmacy, published in the *Jour. de Pharm. et de Chemie*, and reproduced in the *Pharm. Jour. and Trans.*, Mr. Berthelot gives some interesting facts in relation to the production of sulphovinic acid from a mixture of sulphuric acid and alcohol. 1st. If the two bodies, previously cooled, be gradually mixed, avoiding rise of temperature, and keeping the whole at about 0° C., no reaction is, at first produced, but under the influence of prolonged contact a peculiar sulphovinic acid is gradually formed, giving a different and more unstable class of salts from the ordi-