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Over 2,500 Druggists in the States of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont will receive complimentary numbers of this issue of the CANADIAN DRUGGIST. We bespeak for it a caroful perusal, not only of the general reading matter, but also of the advertising pages.

Volume V.

With this number the CANADIAN DRUG-GIST enters upon its fifth volume. Recalling our promises of the past, we believe we can confidently assert that the pledges of former years to make this journal still more attractive and useful to our readers have been faithfully kept. We have endeavored to place before them in as concise and practicable form as possible the advances made in pharmacological research and in the kindred branches of therapeutics and the science of chemistry, at least, as far as it relates to the practice of the pharmacist.

Our aim has been to give to the members of the craft in Canada a summary of what was taking place in all parts of the world tending to the advancement and the perfecting of our knowledge in whatever relates to our chosen profession. It has also fallen to our lot to point out many things which were proving detrimontal to the best interests and also to the financial prosperity of the drug trade of this country.

In entering upon another year, and with the commencement of a new volume, it will be our endeavor to aid still further the profession to which we have the honor to belong, and we rely upon the cordial co-operation and assistance of our readers to do their share-and what they should consider their duty--towards the protection of trage, the still further elevation of the profession, and the advancement of whatever is to the best interests of the druggists of the Dominion.

We again offer the use of our columns for the discussion of any matters of interest to our readers, and trust that the druggists of Canada will make liberal use of them. May the year upon which we have entered be one of prosperity and progress, of freedom from losses and from the inrouds of the "cutter" is our sincere wish for every reader of

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Ontario College of Pharmacy.

The following are the results of the 44th semi-annual examination of the candidates of the Ontario College of Pharmacy, held in the College buildings, Gerrard St., Toronto, in December :--

Passed in all subjects-A. J. Gould, Colborne ; Fred. J. Hardison, Welland ; Jas. McKenney, Ottawa ; W. F. McRae, Meaford ; Frankland Terry, Linwood ; M. La. T. Thompson, Aurora.

Passed in part subjects, now and on previous occasions-L. F. Boyd, Meaford; Jas. A. Mitchell, Toronto; John R. Phin, Guelph; B. M. Sargant, Toronto; Robt. Shillington, Ottawa; Hy. W. Skinner, Ottawa; W. H. Smith, St. Catharines; A. H. Trotter, Galt ; F. G. Worts, Toronto ; H. C. Shepherd, Stayner.

Passed in four subjects—Dugald Camp-bell, Woodville; Fred. W. Fawcett, To-ronto; Chas. R. Fowlds, Hastings; A. C. Gillies, Ayr; Edward Guillemont, Lon-don; T. H. Hagarty, Stratford; D. S. Hartley, Shelburne ; Geo. A. Kennedy, Toronto ; Jas. A. Stuart, Mitchell : Benson F. Smith, Toronto.

Passed in materia medica--William G. Campbell, Mayfair ; W. J. Atkins, Madoc.

JUNIOR EXAMINATIONS.

First-class honors-1, S. Ryall and John M. Spencer, equal; 3, J. Reed; 4, D. A. Dickson; 5, F. W. Farries and J. M. Peplow, equal; 7, W. R. Boulter and G. S. Armstrong, equal; 9, R. D. Mc-Phail; 10, E. G. West; 11, W. Ledingham.

Second-class honors-1, E. A. Burgis : 2, R. L. Pentz and R. J. Whaley, equal ; 4, H. F. Cant; 5, J H. Goodeve and Charles Tyson, equal ; 7, E. G. Hodgson; 8, G. Collard and A. S. McElroy, Equal ;

10, W. R. Suddary and W. H. Booth, equal; 12, H. C. Stork; 13, W. A. Simpson; 14, W. A. Cross; 15, T. B. Welch : 16, J. E. Davis ; 17, R. E. Strong ; 18, E. McQuade ; 19, J. D. Me-Cann and W. J. Griffiths, equal ; 21, R. H. Johnson, W. B. Scott and Fred. Smith, equal; 24, N. McLean.

Pass list - A. Archibald, C. H. Allison, J. S. Armitage, J. L. Auston, T. W. Brown, F. W. Bowden, C. G. Brennan, D. Bell, T. G. Boles, G. T. Fletcher, H. F. Gordon, L. J. Goodaere, W. A. Hender-son, F. Hyde, A. D. Jackson, Stanley Jackson, O. G. Johns, W. Liddell, C. McIntyre, G. T. Maynard, J. S. Morton, V. S. Mundy, A. McKinnon, D. M. Beth, T. B. Mitchell, Delos Pettit, J. L. Rochester, A. Ray, W. H. Rutledge, T. A. Row-land, E. W. Scales, J. S. Spence, D. A. Smith, T. F. Straiton, W. D. Simmons, T. O. Wilkinson, W. L. Yeomans.

Granted aegrotat with pass stanling -T. T. Barnes, A. H. Ross, J. M. A. Waugh, M. J. Maelean, C. R. McCuen,

Passed in all subjects, except chemistry -R. T. Shepherd, J. L. Walters, W. H. Lee, A. Mitchell, H. E. Ewing, A. H. Saunders.

Pharmacy-C. B. Hodgson.

Botany T. A. Copp.

Pharmacy and chemistry - F. C. Stearman.

Botany as an Aid to Pharmacists.

The necessity of the student or the practitioner of pharmacy acquiring botanical knowledge is not a new idea, but the importance of the question demands reiteration of the reasons why such knowledge is useful and profitable.

It is a prevailing belief among students and graduates in pharmacy that botany is to them a useless science. The former regard it as an additional stumbling-block placed in their path without any reasonable excuse, while the latter are apt to regret the time-wasted as they term itspent in studying its details.

The ancient medicine men knew full well the importance of an intimate acquaintance with the mysteries of the plant world so far as these were revealed to them. But for their patient and persistent investigations modern botany would not to-day have advanced so far.

The study of plant life in its varied aspects originated in the necessities of the healing art : and now, curiosusly enough,