

Little, for Toronto University, and Mr. McLean, for the Dental College.

The toasts for the press and the ladies were also duly honored.

A very enjoyable part of the programme was the singing of Messrs. McKay, Graham and Wenborne, and musical selections by Messrs. Schafer and Scarff. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne," brought to a close one of the most successful and enjoyable dinners held under the auspices of the college.

COLLEGE CRY.

Ethane, Methane, O. C. P.

Ether, Meter, Pharmacy.

Monodelphous, Neucleu,

Olein, Stearine, Cetacei.

Who are we???

We are from the O. C. P.

P-H-A-R-M-A-C-Y—Rah! Rah! Rah!

Pharmaceutical Association of the Province of Quebec.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS.

The next preliminary examinations for candidates entering the study of pharmacy will be held in the Montreal College of Pharmacy, 595 Lagauchetiere street, Montreal, and Laval University, Quebec, on Thursday, April 1st, 1897.

Candidates must give notice to the registrar, in writing, of their intention to present themselves at *least ten days* before the date fixed for the examination.

A printed form of application must be obtained from the registrar, which must be duly signed by the applicant. No application will be accepted after the 22nd day of March, 1897.

These preliminary examinations are held on the first Thursday in the months of January, April, July, and October in each year.

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Editor CANADIAN DRUGGIST:

DEAR SIR,—If a doctor writes a R. for an eye wash in which there appears to be too little of the liquid to make a perfectly clear solution (that is, perfectly free from a precipitate), is the druggist justified in filtering that mixture?

Yours truly,

"CINCHONA."

Toronto.

[ANSWER.—The proper way is, if possible, to call the attention of the physician to the impossibility of making a perfect solution. If you cannot reach him, you should put up the prescription exactly as ordered. You would not be justified in filtering it.—EDITOR.]

Books for Druggists.

Any of the following books will be mailed on receipt of the price named	
British Pharmacopoeia	\$1 75
British Pharmacopoeia Addendum	30
U.S. Dispensatory (in cloth)	7 50
U.S. Dispensatory (in leather)	8 25
U.S. Dispensatory (in leather) (1894)	7 25
National Dispensatory (1894)	7 00
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Atfield's Chemistry	2 25
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Maisch's Materia Medica	2 80
Martindale's Extra Pharmacopoeia	2 00
Pereira's Prescriptions	1 25
Parrish's Pharmacy	5 25
Squire's Companion	3 00
Remington's Pharmacy	5 25
Practical Dispensing	50
Minor Ailments	1 50
Heebner's Practical Synopsis of B. P.	1 00
Heebner's Manual of Pharmacy, etc.	2 00
Manual of Formulae	1 50
Diseases of Cats and Dogs	75
Practical Dentistry	50
Harrop's Monograph on Fluid Extracts	2 00
Harrop's Monograph on Flavoring Extracts	2 00
Caspari's Treatise on Pharmacy	4 50
Coblenz's Handbook of Pharmacy	3 50
Art of Compounding, by Scoville	2 50
Bartley's Medical Chemistry	3 00
How to do Business (McLean)	75
Sayre's Organic Materia Medica and Pharmacognosy	4 50
Practical Perfumery	50
Pereira's Prescriptions	1 00
Proctor's Testing	50
Stewart's (Balfour) Physics	1 00
Sales of Poisons Register	60
Shuttleworth's Notes on New Remedies	50
Squire's Companion	3 00
Spotton's High School Botany	75
Veterinary Counter Practice	75
Haines' Electro-Therapeutics	1 00
U.S. Pharmacopoeia	4 00
Jones' Practical Chemistry	65
Maisch's Materia Medica	2 80
Liquor Sales Book	60
National Dispensatory (leather) (1894)	7 00
Art of Dispensing	1 00
Bastin's College Botany	2 15
Dick's Encyclopedia of Practical Receipts (6422)	2 50
Fowne's Chemistry	2 25
Principles of Pharmacognosy, Fluckiger and Tirsch	2 25
Bartley's Medical Chemistry	3 00
Oldberg's Home Study in Pharmacy	3 00
Duane's Medical Dictionary	
Culbreth's Materia Medica and Pharmacology	4 00
Leonard's Materia Medica and Therapeutics	1 00
Leonard's Vest Pocket Anatomist	1 00

Many of these books will be kept regularly in stock; of others the prices hold good until the stock is disposed of.

THE CANADIAN DRUGGIST,
Toronto, Canada.

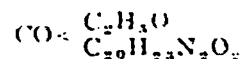
Pharmacy in England.

The Slump in Quinine. Eucchin. a Quinine Substitute—Irish v. British Pharmaceutical Qualification Reciprocity in the Air Valsol, an Oxygenated Hydrocarbon—Honors to Professor Ramsay of Argon Fame.

(From our own Correspondent.)

The recent fall in quinine that took the London drug market so completely by surprise has never been satisfactorily explained, but at all events there is no real recovery to be noted, so that it looks like over production after all. It is now stated that nearly 500,000 ounces of quinine were booked by brokers and makers within forty eight hours, a large proportion of this was for delivery within fourteen days but most of it was covered with a three-months' clause. But even now, although the market is firmer, it has not recovered from the slump, and as all the first hand dealers are either protected with a falling clause or have filled their requirements for the next year or more, there is absolutely no demand. Those that failed to get in on the ground floor, through abstaining during the excited two days, in the hope that it would go still lower, are holding off, and there is therefore an entire absence of demand. No attempt has been made to ascertain what proportion of the half million ounces was of English manufacture, but from complaints that have reached me it appears by far the greater part consisted of very old stock of German and Italian, and that short weight, even to the extent of eight or nine ounces in the hundred was by no means unusual. Some of it has been traced back as having been in the London warehouse for ten years, so that the original proprietor must have paid pretty heavily for warehousing, and then disposed of it at the lowest figure recorded of recent years. It has been asserted that quinine can be manufactured and sold at a profit of six cents an ounce but of course this must depend upon a very low price for the bark, and no specially low priced cinchona has been available either in London or Amsterdam for some years past. And another feature is that cinchonidine and cinchonine have advanced in value of recent years, whereas quinine has declined.

To pass from quinine to a quinine substitute, Zimmer has just patented the ethyl carbonic ester of quinine, having the following formula:



and registered it under the name of Eucchin. Of course it is produced from quinine, and occurs in fine white needles, melting at 95°C., and is only soluble in water acidulated with acids, but easily soluble in chloroform, ether, and alcohol. It can be administered in ten to fifteen grain doses without causing the unpleasant effects of cinchonism, such as singing in the ears, dizziness, etc., at least this is the German clinical reports