

Manitoba Pharmaceutical Association.

SPRING EXAMINATIONS.

The spring examinations for the Pharmaceutical Association of Manitoba were held in the college building. The examiners were Messrs. C. Floxon and Alexander Campbell, Winnipeg, and Mr. A. R. Leonard, Stonewall.

The papers submitted are published elsewhere in this issue.

Fifteen candidates appeared before the examiners at this sitting, eleven of whom were successful.

The names of successful students are in the order of standing.

C. F. Hasselfield, Winnipeg, first, and silver medallist.

H. S. McClung, Manitou; J. H. Graham, Morden; R. E. Berry, Carberry; G. A. McKay, Winnipeg; R. D. Bruce, Winnipeg; J. F. Scott, Brandon; D. A. McDonald, Winnipeg; M. McKay, Winnipeg; W. F. Rooke, Miami, and T. J. Malcolm, Dauphin.

COUNCIL MEETING.

A meeting of the Council of the Pharmaceutical Association of Manitoba was held in the college building last month. Members present were: Mr. C. Floxon, President; Mr. E. D. Martin, Treasurer; Messrs. J. F. Howard, A. Campbell, and W. Pulford.

The report of the examiners for the spring examinations was brought down and found entirely satisfactory.

Of the fifteen students who appeared eleven were successful, and their papers were very creditable indeed.

Special mention was made of Mr. C. F. Hasselfield, who had obtained the necessary number of marks to entitle him to the association's silver medal.

No other business of importance was transacted, except the passing of accounts.

The annual meeting of the association was held in the committee room of the Manitoba College of Pharmacy, Notre Dame avenue, Winnipeg, on the 21st day of February, at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m.

Among those present were noticed: Mr. C. Floxon, President; Mr. E. D. Martin, Treasurer; Messrs. H. A. Wise, Alex. Campbell, W. Pulford, Austin Francis, B. M. Carnnff, A. T. Andrews, T. G. Snider, Jas. Colcleugh, Prof. H. E. Bleiche, and W. M. Bentley.

Following the reading and acceptance

of the minutes of the last meeting, the president, Mr. C. Floxon, delivered his annual address.

The address was well received and the many important matters referred to evoked considerable discussion, and further action was reserved for a future meeting.

The treasurer, Mr. E. D. Martin, presented his report, showing the finances of the association to be in excellent condition. The total receipts for the year were \$5,702.87; cash on hand at the beginning of the year, \$687.57; disbursements during the year were \$5,015.30, including \$3,508.00 expended on account of the new college building; cash on hand at the close of the year, \$687.57. Total assets amount to \$4,248.07; liabilities, \$1,831.59.

The association then proceeded to elect a Council for the ensuing two years, with the following results: Messrs. C. Floxon, E. D. Martin, W. Pulford and Alex. Campbell, of the city of Winnipeg; Mr. A. R. Leonard, of Stonewall; Mr. N. J. Halpin, of Brandon, and Mr. Wm. Young, of Neepawa.

The retiring members were Messrs. W. R. Bartlett and J. F. Howard.

The meeting was voted by all to be the most enthusiastic yet held, and the association begins a new term with a handsome college building, a most efficient staff of teachers under the direction of Mr. H. E. Bletcher, a financial standing entirely satisfactory, and a membership evincing a keener interest in association matters.

A meeting of the new Council will be held in the college building, Wednesday, March 8th.

The officers for the ensuing two years will be elected at this meeting.

SYNOPSIS OF PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

The president departed from the usual and proper custom of reading his address. He explained that having the previous year labored in a carefully studied address to direct the attention of members to matters of importance to the association, and to the drug trade of the West, and when afterwards it was impossible to secure a quorum for the annual meeting called for the 9th of May, 1899, his efforts were felt by him to be unappreciated; he therefore hoped the members present would forgive him.

After briefly reviewing the advice tendered by the Council to the association to erect a college, and the resulting action

thereof, he reverted to the decision of the Council in engaging Mr. Bletcher, as a lecturer and demonstrator in the new college, at an annual salary of \$750.

Proceeding, he paid a high tribute to the qualities of the lecturer, and asked the meeting to endorse a resolution, that Mr. Bletcher be given a proper standing in the college, viz., professor of chemistry and pharmacy, lecturer on materia medica and botany, and director of the laboratory. He also pleaded the endorsement of another resolution, that Mr. Bletcher be made an honorary member.

A humorous reference was made to the irrepressible student, whose vocation was ever bent on destruction, and a comprehensive survey followed of the false position held by the association regarding reciprocity with the Ontario College.

His suggestions, which were very strongly presented, that there should be immediate discontinuance of our relations with that institute, were warmly received.

Before closing he could not refrain from expressing his regret that Mr. Howard had declined to be nominated for the Council. That gentleman had been a faithful servant of the association for many years. Always a clear and steady thinker, his advice had always been listened to, and generally acted on. The promptitude and constancy which he had displayed in the interests of the association would never be forgotten. He had had an unbroken career of sixteen years as a Council member, and had never missed a Council meeting.

In concluding, Mr. Floxon remarked that, with the retirement of Dr. Hutton from the teaching staff, the donation of a silver medal, by that esteemed gentleman, could no longer be expected, and he desired, with the permission of the meeting, to take up the broken thread, and pledge himself hereafter to give a silver medal, valued at \$10, to the candidate securing 85 per cent. or the highest number of marks above that, in chemistry, in his major examination.

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