

lower end was plunged, in order to cause condensation, was allowed to become too hot for the hand to bear.

Honey Currant Wine.—To 3 quarts of juice add 3 pounds of honey and water to make 1 gallon, let it ferment four or five weeks with open bung, and keep the barrel always full, in a warm place; then drain and put into another barrel in the cellar. It makes a delicious drink.

Honey Noyeau.—Four ounces of bitter almonds, 2 ounces of sweet almonds, 2 pounds of loaf sugar, 3 lemons, 2 quarts of gin, 2 large spoonfuls of clarified honey and 1 pint of milk. Blanch and pound the almonds, and mix them with the sugar which should be rolled. Boil the milk, and when cold, add all the ingredients together and let them stand ten days, shaking them every day. Filter the mixture through blotting paper, bottle off for use and seal the corks down.

Cheap Harvest Drink.—To those engaged in harvesting and other occupations tending to create thirst, the following preparation may be recommended, which makes a very palatable and healthful drink in hot weather: Take 12 gallons of water, 20 pounds of honey and six eggs, using the whites only. Let these boil 1 hour, then add cinnamon, ginger, cloves, mace, and a little rosemary. When cold add 1 spoonful of yeast from the brewer; stir it well and in 24 hours it will be good.—*M. W. Trade Review.*

Drug Review.

BUSINESS during the past month has shown some signs of improvement after the quiet summer months. It is many years since the outlook for a good fall trade has been so bright, the harvest has been enormous and farm produce of all kinds bring good prices. Crops have been so large that one writer on the subject says the farmer having no other cause for worry say such a large crop is "very wearing on the land." In our own line of business the tendency of all staples is to get cheaper, and the question, "I wonder if that can go lower," is one familiar to the wholesaler. Opium, Morphia, Quinine, Pot. Bromide, Sal. Rochelle and Carbolic Acid, which are some of the staples (!) of life to the druggists, are lower than for years—if not than ever, with the exception of the former two. Everything is cheaper except patent medicines, and they, like alcohol, keep getting a little bit higher all the time. We are not posted intimately on the patent medicine business, but we do know that those patents that are jobbed at prices that give a fair margin to the retailer are those that have a larger sale than those that get unreasonable prices and try to increase sales by newspaper advertising, not that we do not believe in advertising, but it is policy not to do so much that goods cannot be jobbed at such prices that the retailer does not care whether he makes a sale or not. It is strange to notice that as the sale drops off prices go up; the instances are many in this market.

Quinine keeps unprecedently low. Any one a year ago prophesying such prices would have been considered insane. The estimated average cost, twenty-six cents, on which the manufacturers agreed to form a combination is doubtless nearly correct. On that basis it has been sold at less than cost for some time. The above combination has not been formed so far owing to some of the firms not agreeing to some of the terms, but should they do so the average price to retailers here would be about forty cents.

Pot. Bromide is lower owing to the break in the Bromine combination.

Opium firm; large crop reported.

Morphia unchanged.

Glycerine—higher prices looked for.

Sal. Rochelle—lower than for years.

Cubeb—easier.

Oil Bergamot—advanced.

Oil Lemon—firm at advance.

Phenacetin—easier.

Atkinson's Perfumes will be about 10 per cent. higher owing to a change in duties.

Haulin's Wizard Oil, price advanced.

Pharmaceutical Flips.

"Pa," said little Georgie Thikked, "what is a meteorologist?" and old Thikked thoughtfully replied: "Why, my boy, haven't you seen the man with a lantern who comes to look at the gas meter now and then? Well, he is a meteorologist."—*Boston Bulletin.*

Because a druggist keeps a soda fountain out west they call him a "Fizzy-ologist."

"Are those people really grown up?" asked a little girl whose mother had taken her to see the dwarfs. "Yes, dear, but their mamma's fed them on condensed milk."

Grains of Thought.

Society is like a large piece of frozen water, and skating well is the great art of social life.—*L. E. London.*

Those who live on vanity must not unreasonably expect to die of mortification.—*Mrs. Ellis.*

He whose money is wisely spent in deeds of charity, kindness and helpfulness gets it all back with compound interest.

THE borax scare was short-lived, and could scarcely have been otherwise. In the first place it would take a pretty large body of water to flood the enormous fields of borax in Southern California, where it is said to exist in countless quantity, and, in addition, South America is said to have a supply sufficient to provide borax and boracic acid for the world for many thousand years to come. One deposit alone, lying between Chili and Bolivia is said to be 26 miles long by 3 to 6 in width, with a depth that can only be imagined.

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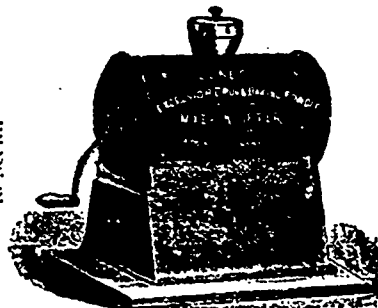
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