prescription. Another case was when a physician ordered for an infant some food to be prepared by a method which we suggested by the use of Fairchild's Essence of Pepsine, and after repeated failures to carry out the physician's instructions, the party told the doctor he believed there was some mistake, and he was requested to see the druggist. The druggist was indignant, but refused to say what he had used, simply stating that he had dispensed just what the doctor ordered. A sample of the prescription was submitted to us and it took us but a few moments to discover the substitution and to convince the party that Fairchild's Essence of Pepsine would do just exactly what the physician wished to accomplish with it. The gentleman thereupon called upon the druggist, who then confessed and begged not to be exposed.

We have spent considerable time in following up just such cases as these, and we have now determined to take what promises to be a more effective line of action to protect our interests.—*Pharmaceutical Era*, *July 2nd*, 1896.

Passed in Military Surgery.

DEPUTY SURGEON GENERAL RYERSON has recently succeeded in passing the efficiency examination required by the Imperial War Office of all volunteer and militia surgeons in Great Britain, having first attended the course of instruction of the Volunteer Ambulance School in London. The examination comprised three parts, written, oral and practical drill, the latter with the men of the Army Medical Staff Corps, at the Guards' Hospital.

Surgeon Lieut.-Col. Harrison, brigade surgeon of the Guards, was president of the Board of Examiners.

The following questions which were set give an idea of the character of the examination:

FIRST PAPER-MILITARY MEDICINE AND ADMINISTRATION.

- 1. Give the staff and equipment of a medical officer of a unit in the field, on active service and in charge of troops at home.
- 2. Give the minimum number of cubic feet required per man (a) in permanent hospitals, (b) in detached wooden hospitals, (c) in barrack rooms, (d) in huts.
- 3. How are patients dieted at field hospitals on active service? What clothing do they wear? How is washing done?