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The highest mortality in European cities per 1,000 for August is St. Petersburg, 62; and the lowest, Swansea, 10.

Uniform Legislation.

Is it not high time that steps were being taken by our governing pharmaceutical bodies to form an association whose power shall not be confined to the limits of a single province? Here we have in Canada seven distinct pharmaceutical associations, each with powers conferred on them by the legislatures of their respective provinces, still as distinct from each other as though they were not part and parcel of one country. Each legislates for itself, has its own poison schedule for guidance of pharmacists, its own regulations as to who may or may not assume to themselves the title of "chemist" or "druggist," and each one determines what qualification is necessary to earn such a title. And all this in provinces where, we might say, an imaginary boundary line marks the only distinction between several of them. Such a thing should not be, and there is no reason for the present state of affairs, which is, we contend, detrimental to the interests of pharmacy in this Dominion. If we want to conserve any rights that we at present possess, or to obtain any legislation which recommends itself as desirable for the well-being of the profession, it must all be done by united action. There are too many influences at work in some of our local legislatures to make it desirable that matters so important to the pharmacist, and of such vital interest to the public, should be confined to these local limits, and it is through combined action on the part of pharmacists of the Dominion, legislating in the House of Commons, that interests such as we represent can be legislated upon for the benefit of the whole of Canada.

This is a matter that cannot be acted on too quickly. The course of events shows most unmistakably that unless we, as pharmacists of the Dominion, act promptly, and secure Dominion legislation, forming an association, to which powers may be granted to regulate pharmacy throughout all Canada, what rights

we even now may have are in danger of being tampered with, and, once lost, when may we hope to regain them? We would urge promptness in taking steps towards the formation of a Dominion Pharmaceutical Association, and in combining the interest of pharmacists in all the provinces for the general good.

The Pharmacopœia.

Suggestions as to alterations and additions to be made to the proposed Imperial Pharmacopœia are being made through the English medical and pharmaceutical press; and although the interest taken seems to be rather of a lukewarm character, yet it appears to be taken for granted that the work will partake somewhat of the "Imperial" character suggested.

The various pharmaceutical bodies of this country, not having been officially asked to formulate any suggestions, nor, in fact, to take any part, have very wisely concluded not to interfere in any way, having no desire evidently to push themselves in where not asked, no doubt feeling the discourtesy shown them by the committee in England who have the matter in charge. Under any circumstances, we believe the better way would be to accept whatever may be the outcome of the deliberations of the committee, and recognize as the official pharmacopœia of the Dominion the volume so prepared; then, if deemed advisable in the interests of Canadian pharmacy, publish an addendum, comprising such things as are considered desirable to incorporate in a work which will be the official text-book for our schools and our guidance in the laboratory.

A FELLOWSHIP, to be known as the "Stearns Fellowship of Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Pharmacology," has been established at the University of Ann Arbor, Michigan, through the liberality of Frederick Stearns & Co., of Detroit. During the coming year the work of the