

To which we may add, "Does it not seem all wrong that the laws of a State permit the most dangerous prescriptions to be compounded by young men of meagre and insufficient preliminary and practical training?" We happen to be familiar with the requirements for the practice of pharmacy in most of the States, and we do not hesitate to affirm that there is not one legalized prescriber, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, in Canada who would be so dense and ignorant as to suppose that a chloride of mercury was meant in the above prescription. The education of the pharmacist, like that of the dentist and the physician in Canada, starts in the right direction by a thorough preliminary examination almost equivalent to that of the Bachelor of Arts of our Universities.

HINTS.

BY A LAZY MAN.

1. You can cut vulcanite with a file better when both are dry than wet. If you think you need a new file, dip your plate in dry plaster of paris, rub it off with a wheel-brush, and often you will find that the fault is not in the file.
2. After you have polished your plate, sprinkle a little dry plaster on it, and give it a run over the soft wheel-brush.
3. Tack a square piece of bed-tick or apron cloth under the part of the bench where you work. It will always be there. Pull it over your knees when you sit there to work. Keeps your pantaloons clean, and often keeps you from saying naughty words, as it catches teeth you might drop on the floor.
4. When your rubber overshoes wear out, keep the soles. Very handy if fastened on a block convenient to use. The heels make good bench blocks.
5. Keep your old kid gloves and wear them when sand-papering or polishing artificial sets. Rub vaseline into your finger-nails, and over your fingers before putting on the gloves.
6. When your dental engine kicks or makes a noise at the joints, oil it a little. If that does not stop the row, do not swear at the manufacturer until you have got down on your marrow-bones and tightened up screws that may be loose. If that succeeds shake hands with yourself; if it does not, smash something. It will ease your mind.
7. Cover your dental engine with a cover the shape of an old candle extinguisher.