

The next meeting of the council of the B.C.P.A. is due March 12th, and the examinations for licentiate of pharmacy and certified clerk (major and minor) are to be held April 1st and 2nd. These dates are subject to change at the discretion of the council.

The coldest weather this winter visited Victoria during the first week of March, when 22° F. was registered (10 degrees of frost).

Manitoba Pharmaceutical Association.

Feb. 19th, 1896.

At the annual meeting of the Pharmaceutical Association of the Province of Manitoba, held at the Clarendon Hotel, in the city of Winnipeg, the following members were present: J. F. Howard, president; C. Flexon, vice president; J. C. Gordon, G. W. McLaren, B. M. Canniff, W. R. Bartlett, H. E. Mitchell, E. S. Knowlton, A. R. Leonard, W. A. B. Hutton, M.D., H. E. Butcher, A. E. Kelly. There were also present: H. H. Cassleman, J. Giles, and Mr. Van Buskirk.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read.

Moved by Mr. Canniff, seconded by Mr. McLaren, That the minutes of the last annual meeting be adopted. Carried.

The report of the council was then read, which consisted of the reading of all the minutes of the council meetings for the past year.

Moved by Mr. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Mitchell, That the report of the council be adopted. Carried.

The registrar then read his report:

GENTLEMEN,—I beg to report as follows:

There have been added to the register during the past year fifteen new members, also seven clerks and twenty-one apprentices. Of this number five passed the major examination and ten were registered upon production of the requisite evidence of their qualifications. In March I notified all members, clerks, and apprentices in arrear in payment of their fees that unless the same were paid at once I would, in accordance with by-law No. 4, remove their names from the register and omit their names from the list which would be published in the daily papers and *Pharmaceutical Journal*. This had a very good effect, and I think, considering the amount outstanding at that time, that the accounts are now in very good shape, there being but \$512 owing by members. As to clerks and apprentices, a number of my notices were returned through the post-office, they having, apparently, changed their addresses without giving notice. It is impossible to state whether they are still employed in this province.

There was one prosecution during the year, which resulted in the defendant, A. F. Sutherland, of Borssevan, being fined \$20 and costs, amounting to \$31.50. Sutherland was conducting a stationery and fancy goods business, and, in con-

nection with this, was selling drugs without a license.

In the matter of G. A. Fraser, which was discussed at the last annual meeting, the case was placed in the hands of the association's solicitors for prosecution. They have just notified the council that they are in receipt of advice that Fraser is leaving the province.

From the fact that there is a probability of there being the necessity of some prosecutions during the coming year, the Attorney-General's Department was seen to ascertain if the provincial police would act in the interests of the association, but the head of the department stated that it was outside of their *régime*, and declined to take any action.

The following names have been removed from the register, being out of the province or out of business: J. K. Hollingshead, J. C. Stoyt, J. Williams, R. F. Green, Dr. J. M. Eaton, G. A. Sheren, G. W. Berry, Dr. W. R. Thomas, Dr. J. L. McInnis, S. Ball, Max Peplow, R. Kyle, Max Benjamin, G. H. Cameron, and Dr. Whyte.

The register for the current year, containing the names of 87 members, besides clerks and apprentices, is placed before you.

(Signed) W. D. MACDOUGALL.

The registrar's report was adopted.

The report of the treasurer was read, as follows:

To Balance.....	\$ 199 76
Registrations and renewals.....	1052 00
Lecture tickets.....	135 00
Rent of house.....	94 70
By Supplies.....	\$ 61 38
Printing and advertising.....	58 80
Lectures.....	300 00
Examination fees.....	174 00
Mileage.....	91 15
Valuator's fees.....	5 00
Announcement.....	40 00
Taxes.....	33 70
Legal.....	50 00
Registrar's salary.....	80 00
Balance on hand.....	484 43

ASSETS.

Cash on hand.....	\$ 484 43
Real estate.....	1860 00
Outstanding fees.....	312 00
Salary due J. K. S. by Ont. Mining Co.....	250 00
	\$2906 43

LIABILITIES.

Rent, Medical College.....	\$ 250 00
Hough & Co., legal expenses.....	41 81
E. B. Shuttleworth.....	162 00
Martin, Bole & Wynn.....	1 80
Stovel & Co.....	15 00
E. A. Blakely.....	12 00
Taxes.....	24 25
G. W. McLaren, mileage.....	27 90
B. M. Canniff.....	7 80
Supplies, postage, etc.....	36 50
W. D. Macdougall.....	50 00
W. R. Bartlett.....	16 80
	\$ 615 86
	\$2290 57

Moved by E. S. Knowlton, seconded by A. E. Kelly, That the treasurer's report be adopted.

The auditors' report, certifying the

accounts to be correct, was read, as follows:

Moved by Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Bartlett, That Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Cassleman be appointed scrutineers to count the ballots for election of the council for the ensuing two years. Carried.

The president then made his annual address, as follows:

As the term of office of the present council and my presidency expire together to-night, I deem it a fitting occasion to volunteer a few remarks relating to our association and to pharmaceutical matters generally.

But before proceeding to review the business of the year, I wish to express my thanks to the members of the association for having honored me with a place at the council board for the past ten years, and to assure the council that I appreciate the kindly feeling which prompted them to place me in the position of president for the last four years.

There have been few changes in the personnel of the council during the past ten years, and I consider that fact a fortunate one, as frequent changes would tend to weaken the efficiency of the council, new members requiring time to become thoroughly conversant with the requirements of the association and the details of administration. For, although the duties imposed upon the council are not arduous, it is important to the general welfare that they should be faithfully and wisely performed, and that result can only be secured by having a council whose members are possessed of a knowledge of affairs, and who work in harmonious accord for the general good. Druggists, as a class, are busy men, with little time to spare from the management of their own affairs, and few of them can devote the few hours, four or five times a year, which the requirements of the association demand, without a sacrifice.

The fact that so few find time to attend our annual meetings is sufficient evidence of this contention. Our thanks are, therefore, due to those country members who come to Winnipeg two, three, or four times during each year, at great personal inconvenience and loss of time, being absent from their business for two or three days, and receiving no more remuneration than their bare expenses and the consolatory reflection that they are doing their duty.

I do not wish to convey the impression that I consider this interest in the good of our profession confined to the members of the present council; on the contrary, I think that just as good material is to be found all through the province, and you can scarcely make a mistake in selecting your council from the available members of the association.

The drug business has reached a stage of development in the province where the utmost care must be exercised to ensure a successful future. A great responsibility will rest with the councils for the next few years. They must zealously guard