

180. "Some esters of arsenious acid. Part II. Resorcinyl arsenite." By William Robert Lang and John Obins Woodhouse.

Continuing the experiments described in a previous communication (Lang, MacKey, and Gortner, *Trans.*, 1908, **93**, 1364), but using one of the dihydric phenols, quantities by weight of resorcinol and of arsenious oxide corresponding with the equation below were heated to the melting point of the former in a distilling flask, connected through a weighed flask with an exhaust pump. The temperature was kept constant, and the arsenic slowly dissolved in the melted resorcinol, yielding an amber-coloured fluid becoming darker as the heating progressed, the pressure being 60 mm. The water evolved in the reaction, $3\text{C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{OH})_2 + \text{As}_2\text{O}_3 = (\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{O}_2)_3\text{As}_2 + 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$, collected in the trap and was weighed as a check, due precautions being taken to prevent loss. After heating for fifty-five minutes the mixture was allowed to cool, broken up, and extracted