

larly referred to in the report, Aconitine is mentioned as requiring to be defined in accordance with recent determinations of its character, so that a basis may be provided for the supply of a substance definitely recognizable by the chemist, and of such uniform medicinal potency as to enable medical practitioners to employ it with confidence. In regard to the various forms of Ether recognized in the *Pharmacopœia*, it is suggested that some alterations should be introduced in the future by which ether more suitable for inhalation and for local anesthesia would be procurable.

The omission of "Acetum" as an official article of the *British Pharmacopœia* is recommended, with an amount of argument disproportionate to the importance of the article or of the use to which it is directed to be applied. As a crude form of dilute acetic acid, acetum might long since have been dispensed with in favor of the preferable form of that article, which is also official. The difficulty of ascertaining what official articles are so rarely used as to justify their omission from the *Pharmacopœia* is made the ground for a suggestion that medical or pharmaceutical associations throughout the country might render assistance in that respect by collecting data as to local practice. This is a useful suggestion, and it might be the means of eliminating from the *Pharmacopœia* some obsolete preparations. — *British Medical Journal*.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The statement made by both Drs. Sangster and McLaughlin concerning the publication of Dr. Cl. T. Campbell's addresses and the payment therefor by the Council is entirely untrue, but they are quite in keeping with many of rash remarks made by the former in his voluminous communication.

"That nothing apparently succeeds like success" is very well evidenced by Mrs. Pickering's strong and excellent work in giving the Medical Profession a first-class abdominal bandage. It seems scarcely necessary for us to make any remarks about an article which has become so well and favorably known. Those medical men who have used them are delighted, and those who have not should certainly give them a trial.

As will be seen by an advertisement in this copy of the JOURNAL, the nomination in each Territorial division will be received up to the 5th of October, and the ballot paper must be in at a specific hour on the 30th of the same month. It is not our place to dictate to an educated electorate like the Medical Profession how or whom they should vote for. We have sufficient confidence to feel that in every division where there is an election, a good man will be selected—one who will have the interests of his constituents at heart above everything else. So far the men in the field are first-class, so we may expect to see the next Council composed of members worthy of their predecessors.

The following are the names of the gentlemen contesting the various constituencies. If in any case the name of a candidate has been omitted, we would be obliged if they would notify us, so that it may appear in the next issue: No. 1. Dr. Bray, Chatham; No. 2. Dr. Williams, Ingersoll; No. 3. Dr. Roome, London; No. 4. Dr. Smith, Seaforth; No. 5. Dr. Brock, Guelph; No. 6. Drs. Henry and Smith, Orangeville; No. 7. Drs. Geo. Shaw, Hamilton, and Heggie, Brampton; No. 8. Drs. Philip, Brantford, and Armour, St. Kitts; No. 9. Drs. Law, Beeton, and Hanly, Waubashene; No. 10. Dr. Barrick, Toronto; No. 11. Drs. Johnson and Machell, Toronto; No. 12. Drs. J. H. Cotton, Lambton Mills, and J. H. Sangster, Port Perry; No. 13. Dr. McLaughlin, Bowmanville; No. 14. Dr. Kuttan, Napanee; No. 15. Drs. Spankie, Kingston, W. W. Dickson, Bronte; No. 16. Dr. Preston, Newboro'; No. 17. Drs. Bergin and Rogers.

The following is the list of officers elected by the Canadian Medical Association on August 25th, at St. Johns, N.B. We are pleased to see that Dr. F. N. G. Starr, one of the associate editors of this JOURNAL, has been re-elected General-Secretary: President, Dr. Bayard; Vice-Presidents, Ontario, G. M. Shaw, Hamilton; Quebec, G. M. Armstrong, Montreal; New Brunswick, Murray Maclaren; Nova Scotia, R. A. H. MacKeen, Cow Bay; Manitoba, Dr. Blanchard, Winnipeg; North West Territories, C. Hamilton, Regina; Prince Edward Island, Peter MacLaren, Charlottetown; British Columbia, T. Edwards, Wellington; General