

Editorial Notes.

We present for our readers the three plans submitted by the various associations, looking towards the cure of the "cut-rate" evil. No definite action has been taken as yet towards coming to a decision, the matter now, we believe, being in abeyance, waiting for a meeting of the executive of the Ontario Society of Retail Druggists. We ask our readers to look well into these plans and to give any suggestions that may occur to them for amending any of them.

The American Pharmaceutical Association at its annual meeting elected Mr. Joseph Jacobs, of Atlanta, Ga., as chairman of the commercial section. Mr. Jacobs is an "arch" cutter as described by some of our contemporaries, or, in other words, is a "cutter" who deliberately advertises and sells proprietary medicines, etc., at prices far below their advertised price. This certainly looks as if the association was inclined to fall into line with the "cutting element" amongst the trade. Let them beware. "Evil communications corrupt good manners."

The American Pharmaceutical Association cannot be in close touch with the retail drug trade of the United States, in whose interests, we think, it was originally intended to operate, if we are to judge by the very small number who were present at the annual meeting, the number of retail druggists outside the local or state members being placed at fifty.

The Lyman Bros. & Co., Limited, Third Annual Bicycle Meet.

The third annual bicycle races of the Lyman Bros. & Co., Limited, took place on Saturday afternoon, October 9th, at the Rosedale athletic grounds, Toronto. Everything combined to render the occasion enjoyable. The weather was delightful, the attendance large, the entries numerous, and the prizes valuable. The programme comprised a one-mile race, half-mile race, three-mile handicap, open to registered druggists and clerks in the retail trade, and a ten-mile handicap, open to employees only. The prizes consisted of books, clocks, silverware, umbrellas, ink stands, opera glasses, etc., contributed by the firm and their friends. In the one-mile (open only to employees) William Shirriff took first place, George Evans second, and L. Rook third. In the half-mile race Wm. Shirriff was first, George Evans second, R. J. Lennox third. The three-mile handicap was keenly fought for, there being eighteen entries. W.

Miller, of Ingersoll, led the flying procession, H. S. Young, of this city, second, and H. E. Hebblewhite, of Collingwood, third. In the ten-mile handicap twenty-one contestants got away, and the long ride was most exciting. W. Jones first, L. Rook second, R. J. Lennox third. W. Shirriff won the time prize in this race and George Evans second. The booby prize fell to S. Francis. Mr. C. McD. Hay, of Toronto, manager of the company, presided at the presentation of the prizes, in which he was assisted by Henry Lyman, of Montreal, vice-president of the company, and James Watt, of Toronto, secretary-treasurer of the company. Brief and appropriate addresses were given by Mr. Henry Lyman, Mr. Edmund Yeigh, of the *Globe*, and Rev. Morgan Wood. Three hearty cheers for the Lyman Company closed the pleasant proceedings.

Ontario College of Pharmacy.

The lectures at the Ontario College of Pharmacy commenced last month, the attendance being larger than at any previous term of the college, one hundred and twenty-four students being registered. The highest number in attendance at any previous session was 119.

O. C. P. Graduates.

J. C. Lambert, class '97, has secured the position of manager of E. J. Donovan's pharmacy at Langdon, North Dakota, U.S.

Fred. A. Wilson, class '97, is manager of A. Abbott & Co.'s pharmacy at Wales, North Dakota, U.S.

Mark Allen, class '97, and Thos. Allen, class '96, are now engaged with Stewart & Holmes, Seattle, Washington, U.S.

Messrs. Stewart & Holmes have, we understand, one of the best drug businesses on the Pacific coast, carrying a stock of \$125,000. Mr. Stewart is himself a graduate of the O. C. P., and the firm have now six or seven Canadians in their employ.

H. Robson, class '96, who has for some time been with Mr. Cochrane, of Victoria, B.C., has returned to Ontario.

H. Eagleson, gold medallist, class '95, has a good position with Langley, Henderson & Co., Vancouver, B.C.

Wm. Gardiner, class '97, is manager of McAlpine's drug store in Vancouver, B.C.

Chas. E. Reid, class '97, is in business for himself in Revelstoke, B.C., and does well.

Druggists interested in optics, and intending students should read and make use of the optical department each month, as it is an important department of our publication, and co-operation on the part of opticians is invited, to make it serve its best possibility.

Obituary.

The Late T. B. Barker.

T. B. Barker, senior member of the wholesale drug firm of T. B. Barker & Sons, St. John, N.B., died in that city August 24th. Deceased was born in Sheffield, Sunbury Co., N.B., in 1820, and was consequently in his 78th year at the time of his death. After leaving school he took a position in the drug store of the late Lieut.-Governor Tilley, who was then in active business. He remained there some years, and was afterwards manager of the store. In 1860 the business passed into his hands, and in 1867 he took his sons, George A. and T. F. Barker, into partnership. Both of these sons have since died. On the death of T. F. Barker, Mr. H. W. Barker was taken into partnership, and is now the only surviving member of the firm. Mr. Barker's wife, who was a sister of the late Sir Leonard Tilley, died a few years ago. The remaining members of the family are two sons and one daughter, viz., H. W. and W. S. Barker, Miss Helen Barker. Deceased was a highly esteemed citizen of St. John, and his funeral, which took place on Thursday, August 26th, was very largely attended.

The Late Henry Lyman.

The committee appointed at the annual meeting of the Wholesale Drug Proprietary Medicine Dealers' Association, held recently in Toronto, to draft a resolution of condolence anent the death of Mr. Henry Lyman, have sent the following to the family of the deceased:

"The Wholesale Druggists and Proprietary Dealers' Association at this, its first meeting since the death of our much esteemed colleague, the late Henry Lyman, places on record its high sense of the character, ability, and graciousness, which, for so many years, made him a foremost figure in the commercial life of the Dominion; and his family and connections have our sincere sympathy in the loss they have sustained.

"Although spared to a good old age, we cannot but feel that a character and example such as his are ever present needs; and it is fitting that we recall his great services in maintaining a high standard of honor in the business affairs of the country;

"A diligent man of business, a public-spirited citizen, and a true patriot, he has left an example and record we should all strive to emulate and follow."

The Canadian Druggists Exchange informs us that it has about a dozen drug stores for sale. See their adv. on another page.

The Optical Institute of Canada will hold their last class for this year on November 1st. A nice class is at present attending the course now going on.