

Dr. Reed married Miss Booker, daughter of the late Rev. Alf. Booker, of Hamilton. She died in 1890, and two children now survive them, namely, Thomas Booker Reed and Miss Isabel Reed.

The funeral took place on Monday afternoon, April 2nd, from his late residence, 91 University street, and was largely attended. The floral tributes were particularly noticeable, including a large pillow from the professors of the College of Pharmacy, with the words "Our Dean," and an anchor from the members of the college, and wreaths from the various church organizations.

Amongst those in attendance were the members of the Board of College, the Faculty, and a large number of the leading druggists of Montreal together with a large concourse of citizens.

P. C. BLAICHER.

Peter Campbell Blaicher, one of the early druggists of Hamilton, Ont., passed away on March 20th. Mr. Blaicher was stricken with paralysis about ten days previously, and pneumonia developing, he rapidly succumbed.

Mr. Blaicher was born in the township of Saltfleet, Ont., in 1835, and was educated in the Public schools. When a young man he taught school for some time, and in 1865 commenced his drug career in Hamilton, and which he carried on up to within a few years of his death. Mr. Blaicher was a very prominent figure in municipal affairs; in 1879 he was elected as member of the Board of Education, and from 1880 to '87 was a member of the city council, and again in 1890 to '91 was one of the aldermanic board, serving as chairman of the finance committee. In 1892 he was elected mayor of the city and served for two years. He was also a prominent member of the Masonic order as well as of the Ancient Order of United Workmen.

He leaves two sons, Dr. W. S. Blaicher, of Chicago, and Lloyd Blaicher and one daughter, Mrs. S. W. Sterling, of London, Ont.

The Medical Alliance of America.

The *Canada Gazette* contains the notice that Edward Cavanagh, Jules de Clement and others, of Montreal, have been incorporated under the name of "The Medical Alliance of America" (Limited), with a capital of \$100,000, in ten-dollar shares. Among the powers

granted is that "To negotiate and arrange agreements and contracts between physicians, surgeons, pharmacists, nurses and the like, whose profession or calling is to care for and attend the sick, injured or infirm on the one hand, and such persons as desire these services on the other hand, whereby the latter shall be attended, treated and cared for by the former in return for a fixed fee or subscription, payable weekly or otherwise, to be collected and paid by said proposed corporation."

Books.

A POCKET CASE AND MEDICAL DICTIONARY, giving the pronunciation and definition of the principal words used in medicine and collateral sciences, by George M. Gould, A.M., M.D.

The issue of this, the fourth edition, is co-incidental with the sale of 100,000 copies of Dr. Gould's Dictionary, a phenomenal success that could only be obtained with a thoroughly reliable work.

This edition of the work has been revised and enlarged to 30,000 words and 837 pages, and one of the most remarkable facts in connection with it is the large amount of literary material contained within its handsome cover and the price at which it is published, namely, \$1.

Besides the dictionary proper are very complete tables of the clinical eponymic terms of the arteries, muscles, nerves, bacteria, bacilli, micrococci, and thermometric scales, and a dose list of drugs and their preparations in both the English and metric systems of weights and measures.

The work is one that is indispensable for the medical and pharmaceutical student as well as the practitioner.

It is published by P. Blackiston, Son & Co., 1,012 Walnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.

MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY IN THEORY AND PRACTICE.

This work is one which is especially adapted to the use of the amateur photographer, whether a novice or an expert; in fact it is a complete guide to photography. It covers all branches of the art. The work has now reached its second edition, consists of 250 pages with 18 full page and 255 small illustrations, and is published at the low price of \$1.

It is a work which we believe will commend itself to every practical photographer. By arrangements made with

the publishers our subscribers can be furnished with the book, post-paid, from this office at publisher's price.

Quebec Pharmaceutical Association.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS.

The Preliminary Board of Examiners held their quarterly examinations in Montreal and Quebec on Thursday, April 5th, when twenty-seven candidates presented themselves, and of these the following passed and are named in order of merit, namely: T. P. Gagnon, G. H. Gadbois, L. Chauret, A. A. Lefevre, Joseph Belanger, J. B. Lavoie, Chas. Lippins, Joseph Lafontaine. The following candidates passed upon all subjects but Arithmetic, namely: J. A. Langlois, E. Bourier, J. R. Martineau, R. Robitaille. These will require to present themselves again at the July examination, to be examined upon that subject only.

The candidates were examined in French, English, Latin, arithmetic, geography and history.

The examiners were Professor J. O. Cassegrain, of the Jacques Cartier Normal school, and Prof. Isaac Gammele, of the High school, Montreal.

The next examination will be held on July 5th.

Prince Edward Island Notes.

Mr. A. S. Johnson, senior partner of the firm of Johnson & Johnson, Charlottetown, P.E.I., has accepted a position with Messrs. Parke, Davis & Co., as traveller for this well-known firm in New Brunswick. Mr. Johnson has gone to the establishment of the firm at Walkerville for a short time previous to entering upon his duties.

Mr. George Hughes, of the Apothecaries' Hall, Charlottetown, has purchased the stock and fittings of Messrs. Johnson & Johnson's Queen Square store which he will occupy after the first of next October.

A NEW TEST FOR DIABETIC URINE.—Nitro-propiol tablets are a new reagent in compressed form, destined to be used in the place of Fehling's solution for the testing of diabetic urine. An indigo-blue color is developed, or eventually indigo is precipitated. The reaction is: $2C_6H_4(NO)C:COOH + 2H_2 = C_{16}H_{26}N_2O_2 + 2CO_2 + 2H_2O$.—*Zeit.fur Pharmacie*, 1899, 36.