

in use, except in regard to the appendix, although it may be possible that errors in the body of the work may be corrected. A number of these errors relate to stated specific gravities, and have been pointed out by British writers as well as by ourselves.

CLINICAL REPORTS OF SEVENTEEN CASES OF ACCIDENTAL POISONING BY WINE OF COLCHICUM. By George W. Major, B.A., M.D., etc. Read before the Medico-Chirurgical Society of Montreal.

THE TENNESSEE PHARMACAL GAZETTE, an Eclectic Monthly of Practical Pharmacy.

This is the title of a new journal published under the auspices of the Tennessee College of Pharmacy, and the Tennessee Pharmaceutical Association. It is edited by Benj. Lillard, Phar. D., and Thos. Black, M.D., both gentlemen being connected with the staff of the college above named. The number before us contains a number of interesting papers, and considerable space is also devoted to matters relating to the association of which this journal is the organ. The *Gazette* has our best wishes.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TORONTO EYE AND EAR DISPENSARY; containing constitution and of Act of Incorporation.

Varieties.

IMPROVED TEST FOR SACCHARINE URINE.—Dr. Seegen's modification of Trommer's test consists in the preliminary filtration of urine through animal charcoal. This removes the uric acid and other matters which interfere with the action of Trommer's test, and leaves a colorless fluid, which is highly sensitive to the test. It is a delicate qualitative, but not a quantitative method.—*British Medical Journal*.

SUGAR IN LEAVES.—M. A. Petit has, on a former occasion, stated that the leaves of the grape vine contain from 20 to 30 grams of glucose and, 13 to 16 grams of tartaric acid per kilogram. The author now states that the greatest portion of the acid is in the state of cream of tartar, about one-third only being uncombined, and that the sugar consists of cane and invert sugar. On treating the liquid repeatedly with animal charcoal, it is readily obtained colorless and free from tannin; for one kilogram of leaves the author obtained then 9.20 grm. cane sugar and 26.55 grm. glucose; by another experiment 15.80 grm. cane sugar and 17.49 grm. glucose. The leaves of the cherry and peach likewise contain a mixture of the two sugars; from one kilogram of the latter 33 grams of cane sugar and 12 grams of glucose were obtained.—*Journ. de Pharm. et de Chim.*, 1874, Jan., 41. in *Am. Journ. Pharm.*