

drug stores. He laid great stress on the necessity of a student possessing a grounded habit of study. The doctor was particularly happy and to the point in speaking of the apprentice in the following terms: "If he shows a willingness to work and to learn, and his employer takes an interest in him, and sees that he is enabled to devote say an hour a day in directed study. If he is fortunate enough to be in a store where the tinctures are not all made from fluid extracts, and where as many as possible of the galenical preparations are made on the premises, and where the various steps in their manufacture are explained to him. If the prescriptions received at the store are written by several men who think for themselves when they prescribe, and are dispensed by the mixture of preparations which he has seen made—then will that apprentice render an account of himself of which all concerned may well feel proud, when he goes up to attend his lectures and pass (for he will) his examinations." But the paper should be read in its entirety to judge of its value, and this may just as truthfully be said of the lengthy paper of John F. Howard. There possibly is no man in the Association better able than he to preach and put into practical shape the old saying "United we stand, divided we fall." He strongly recommends the petitioning of the government to pass "an act compelling the manufacturers of patent medicines to print on the label the formula from which the medicine is made. This is done in England in the case of all medicines containing poisonous drugs. Its advantages both to the community at large and to the druggists are obvious. Why then should not the operation of such an Act be extended to patent medicines and put in force in Canada? The gentleman, in his usual pleasing manner,

refers "to the continuous cordial relations between the physicians and pharmacists of this province," and he is right. We will not make further reference to the papers, as they are to be printed in pamphlet form, so as to give interested readers an opportunity of judging for themselves. Recommendations regarding the raising of the standard of the preliminary examination, and of the division of the province into districts, were placed in the hands of Mr. Macdougall, the registrar, for that gentleman to lay on the table at the next council meeting. The convention, to say the least, was such a success that an effort will be made to have a regular annual convention to be held the same time of the year as the first one.

At 6 o'clock there was an hour's recess, during which time refreshments and instrumental and vocal music were served *ad libitum*. The discussion afterwards was continued till 9 o'clock, when the following resolutions were carried, and the meeting then adjourned to the Clarendon for dinner.

Moved by E. T. Howard, seconded by B. M. Canniff, That the papers be printed in pamphlet form and mailed to all members of the Association.

Moved by J. F. Howard, seconded by A. R. Leonard, That the Association send the president as a representative to the meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association at Lake Minnetonka to be held in August.

Moved by A. T. Andrews, seconded by J. K. Patton, That, as visiting members, they wished to thank the council and city members for the kind way in which they have been received and entertained.

Moved by B. M. Canniff, seconded by W. R. Bartlett, That a vote of thanks be given to those who have read papers during the convention.