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NT week being Easter week; we shalla have to close for pres arlier than nsual, in order to be sure of our foreign mai Advertisements for assistants, situations, $\overline{9}$ \&c., will not, '2erefore, be available for insertion if they reach us late han the first post on Thursday morning.

Pr-card Competition, No. 3.-We remind subscribers that his competition will close on Saturday of next week, Mas 31. We ask for election addresses on post-cards sup. sed to be issued by Mr. Blank, pharmaceutical chemist, whive assume is a candidate for the Pharmaceutical Couil. We shall try to award the prize to the author of the ddress which most effectively presents any ${ }_{3}^{3}$ pharmacenlal policy, without regard to whether thats policy"may be jour view either wise or popular.

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## Parliamentary news.

The Pharmacy Acts Amendment Brll.-In the House of Lords on March 16, the Earl of Milltown moved the third reading of this Bill, which was passed without opposition.
The Dill has now passed through the House of Lords.
Apprenticeship Indentures.-In the House of Commons on Monday, Mr. Bristowe asked the Secretary to the Treasury what was the annual revenue from the stamp duties on the indentures of apprentices, and whether the Government would take into consideration the propriety of substituting for the present ad valorem duty of abont 5 s. charged on the premiums paid by apprentices a small stamp applicable to all cases. In reply Mr. Jackson said the annual revenue from the stamp duties on indentures of apprentices cannot be stated, not being separately recorded. The Board of Inland Revenue do not think that there is any occasion to interfere with the present scale, which they have no reason to believe is regarded as too high.
Government Contracts.-A question was put by Mr. Hanbury on Monday to the Postmaster-General, in reference to the Government contract for post-cards, newspaper wrappers, and stamped envelopes. The Postmaster-General's reply, which was unusually frank for a Minister, is worthy of very careful note by economists and all taxpayers.

Mr. Raikes said: In 1840 the duty of making what was then called "franking-stamps" and postage-envelopes was intrusted to the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes, the predecessors of the present Board of Inland Revenue. This function now includes the supply of English thin cards, English stout cards, newspaper wrappers, and English envelopes of three sizes-for the manufacture of which articles contracts were, I understand, made in the year 1880 by the Board of Inland Revenue with the firm of De La Rue \& Co. I believe that these contracts were made for ten years from that date. As far as I can ascertain, these contracts were made

## without any competition.

The officials of the Inland Revenue are not responsible to, or controlled by, the Postmaster-General in making such contracts, but act, I presume, upon their own discretion. I have no official knowledge which would enable me to give a precise answer to my hon. friend's last question, but from iuquiries which I have endeavoured to make unofficially, I am led to believe that, out of the sum of nearly 100,000 ., the present annual net charge of De La Rue \& Co. for supplying thess articles,
not much less than half may be estimated as net profit
to them, and my hon. friend will probably exercise his own judgment as to how much of this sum should be described as unnecessary extra expenditure.
Mr. Hanbury gave notice that on going into Committee os Supply he would call attention to these contracts, and move for correspondence.

## Diary for Next Week.

Secretaries of societies are requested to send early information of approaching meetings.

Monday, March 26.
Society of Arts, John Stree ${ }^{\dagger}$, Adelphi, W.C., at 8 r.m. Professor W. Chandler Roberts-Austen, on "Alloys."
Tuesday, March 27.
Society of Arts, John Street, Adelphi, London, W.C., at 8 p.m. Mr. J. Stephen Jeans, on "The Panama Ca' al."
Wednesday, March 28.
Chemical Society, Burlington House, W., at 8 р m. Anniversary meeting. President's address. Election of officebearers.
Thursday, Mareh 29.
Chemists' Assistants' Association, 103 Great Russell Street, W.C., at 9 P. M. Short papers by members.

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Conducted by Richard J. Moss, F.C.S.

## Qualitative Analysis.

## A

 MIXTURE of two salts will be the subject of the next exercise in qualitative analysis. It is to be examined for all the ordinary metallic and acid radicles. Not only are its constituents to be detected-all other substances must be shown to be absent. In reporting students are to give a brief account of the analysis, with a summary of the results obtained, distinguishing as far as possible any accidental impurities detected from the chief constituents of the mixture.Students' applications for portions of the mixture should be sent in before Saturday, March 31 ; the samples will be forwarded to applicants a few days later.

Students' reports will be received up to Saturday, April 21.

## Reports.

The mixture of salts distributed for analysis last month consisted of one part of mercuric chloride and two parts of potassium nitrate ; its calculated composition was therefore:-

There were 37 reports received, and of these there were only ten in which the constituents of the mixture were not correctly reported. Only two students failed to detect mercury, four failed to detect potassium, one student omitted chlorine and reported bromine present, and six failed to detect the nitric radicle. The most common error was, thercfore, the failure to detect the nitric radicle, although it constituted nearly 41 per cent. of the mixturc. This quite accords with previous experience, and it shows the necessity for paying special attention to the reactions by which nitrates are distinguished.

In the course of the ordinary preliminary examination of a solid, nitric acid may reveal its presence by two or three reactions. When the substance is heated in a tube closed at one end a nitrate, if present, will be decomposed; but the nature of the decomposition depends upon the temperature and upon the metallic radicle present. In the case of the nitrates of the alkali metals nearly pure oxygen is at first evolved, the nitrate becoming a nitrite, and the latter salt is subsequently decomposed, a mixture of oxygen and nitrogen passing off, and an oxide remaining. Ammonium nitrate yields nitrous oxide and water. The decomposition of the nitrates of the heary metals by heat generally results in the production of an oxide and the evolution of an oxide of nitrogen and free oxygen. Plumbic nitrate, for example, yields deep red fumes of nitrogen peroxide and oxygen, while plumbic oxide remains. Heated on charcoal, all ritrates deflagrate; but chlorates behave in the same way, as well as some other salts of less frequent occurrence, such as iodates, hypophosphites, and permanganates. Treated with sulphuric acid, nitrates invariably yield free nitric acid. In the presencc of metallic copper the nitric acid is reduced to nitric oxidc ; ferrous sulphate acts in a similar manner. These reactions may be represented by the following equations:-

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2 \mathrm{KNO}_{3}+4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}+3 \mathrm{Cu}=\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}+3 \mathrm{CuSO}_{4}+4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}+2 \mathrm{NO} .
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$2 \mathrm{KNO}_{3}+4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}+6 \mathrm{FeSO}_{4}=\mathrm{K}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}+3 \mathrm{Fe}_{2}\left(\mathrm{SO}_{4}\right)_{3}+4 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}+2 \mathrm{NO}^{2}$.

The colourless nitric oxide on coming in contal with the oxygen of the air is resolved into $\mathrm{N}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}$ and $\mathrm{N}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, which appear in the form of red fumes. In the presence can excess of a cold solution of ferrous sulphate the nitric ox 3 , instead of being disengaged, passes into solution in $t$ form of $\left(\mathrm{FeSO}_{4}\right)_{2} \mathrm{NO}$, a deeply-coloured compound, whicl mparts a brown colour to the liquid. This compound is unstab, anderen a moderate increase of temperature decomposes. Hence the necessity for preventing the heat produc by the hydration of the strong sulpharic acid from inter ing with the reaction when it is employed as a test for ric acid. The compound of ferrous sulphate with nitric tide is so very deeply coloured that a minute quantity of it $n$ be distinguished in solution. The test is, therefore, a vt delicate one if carefully performed. The precautions to bobserved can only be learned by actual experiment, and wstrongly recommend students to make a practical stu of the reactions until they clearly understand how to ol ate and what to observe.

## Prizes.

The First Prize for the best analysis has been arded to William Burns, care of Messrs. Davidson \& lilie,

20 Castle Place, Belfast.
The Second Prize has been awarded to A. H. Owen, Stanpit, Christchurch, Hants

## Marks Avarded for Analyses.

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## TO CORRESPONDENTS

Prizes.-The students to whom prizes are awarded are request 00 writy at onee to the Publisher, naming the book they seleet, and statiuf ow they wish it forwarded.
Any scientifie book that is published at a priee not greatly seeding half-a-gninea may be taken as a first prize.
Any scientifie book which is sold for about five shillings may baken as seeond prize.
*** All eommunications should inelude the names and address of the writers.
W. Burws.-Your analysis was evidently eonducted with great re, and you furnished a very good report.
E. Tirton.-The eonelusion that potassinm nitrate must bi resent beeanse the salt deflagrated when heated on ehareoal was more in you were warranted in drawing from the reaetion. Several other sal ehave in the same way.
Tyno.-More information ought to be obtained from the pryinary examination; you ought at least to have ascertained that the latile metal was merenry.
S. W. H.-When yon added ferrous sulphate to the ammoniaca fation some of the iron was preeipitated, probably as a misture of fer 3 and ferrie hydrates, henee the eolonration jou observed. The test $f$ itric aeid requires the presenee of undecomposed ferrous sulphate in ition as it is this solntion which acquires the brown colour by dissolg the liberated nitrie oxide.
Mercury.-You omitted to give a summary of your results, and some cases it is diffieult to make out what your conelusion was.
G. P. Jessor,-The solntion tested for a ehlorile should ba beed acidulated with nitrie, not sulphurie, acid. Magnesium should 1 )aght
for in iltrate from the group reagent ammonium carbonate, not in the origina lution. You omitted the preliminary examination in the dry Way; t examination generally gives information which is of great value in the ssequent wet analysis.
Fhters.-You do not give sufficient detail to admit of your test for nitrons id being repeated. Solutions of nitrites, when decomposed with dilute 1s, or even with acetic acid, give an instantaneous liberation of iodine $m$ iodides. In this analysis it must be remembered that the additio $f$ an excess of strong acid caused a liberation of both hydrochloric and nil, acids, or, in other words, nitrohsdrochloric acid, the free chlorin $f$ which would liberate iodine.
A. L $O$ N.-The test for nitrates with ferrous sulphate and sulphoric acid re res some nice manipulatiou, and unless you have learned by trial what a be conditions to be observed you are uot likely to succeer. You will fint an instructive exercise to try what is the smallest quantity of a nitra or can detect with certainty by this test.
Nunam Desperandum.-The several tests by which you demoustrated the pre ce of bromine were no doabt conclusive, and the ouly thing required make them quite satisfactory was the actual iresence of that elemen The smoll you percei ved was due to chlorine, and the colour to nitrous ames. The proluction of a colourless solution in the chlorochrominnydride test must have been imaginary. The irregular behaviou : the silfer nitrate precipitate was no doubt due to the presence of mer $\mid$.
A. IT When the solution in which ammonium carbonate had failed to give a cipitate was evaporated and the residue ignited a considerable residn mained, and as all the other metals had been removed this could only ecfist of salts of the alkali metals. The precipitation of potassium requir ome care, and it is only by trial that jon can learn the precautions to bo cerved.
J. Whox.-You tested for some metals and some acids, but jou cannot chim there made a complete qualitative analysis.
Carls.-The presence of a volatile salt such as mercuric chloride ought to be tected with certainty in the preliminary examination. It is eviden hat you did uot employ an excess of sulphuretted hydrogen. The produc $n$ of a light-coloured precipitate, which darkens aud tinally becomes ick as the sulphuretted hydrogen is added in excess, is characteristic of ercury.
W. (T.-The presence of mercury interfercd with the silver-nitrate tests frhlorides. When you added ammonia to dissolve the precipitate mercu amonium chloride was thrown down. To avoid such complications apecial solution should be prepared for the examiuation for the acids; $u$ will find the method to be emplojed described in your text-1).
Her alu-The precipitate you attributed to bismuth was due to mercu; and the mirror was caused by the same metal, as you might bave 1 hed by examining it with a lens.

## NEW COMPANIES.

Bone Company (Limited).-Capital, 35,000l., in $1 l$. shart Object, to acquire interests arising from the manufacto and sale of certain productions, all protected by tradflark patent, known as the Bovine horse and cattle spice be Bovine brick of health, the Bovine specific, and the Bovi saccharum lactis.

Cfrles L. Baker \& Co. (Limited).-Capital, 25,000l., in 5l. sles. Object, to acquire and carry on the business of Chas L. Baker \& Co., of Worsley Street, Chester Road, Man ester, telegraphic, electric, surgical, and scientific appotus makers. Mr. C. L. Baker is appointed managing dire r at a salary of $500 l$. per annum.
Se iam Chemical Works Company (Limited).-Capital, $20,0 \%$, in $100 \%$. shares. Object, to acquire the lands, with erec ns, plant, \&cc., formerly used by Messrs. Watson, Kippling Co. as cbemical works at Seaham Harbour, Durham, and to cef on the business of chemical manufacturers. The first subsibers are:-John Spencer, steel manufacturer, Whorlton ill, Newcastle-on-Tyne; Michael Spencer, steel manufact ${ }^{2}$, Newbottle Hall, Newcastle-on-Tyne: Thomas Sperr, Tbe Grove, Ryton-on Tyne; John Spencer, merchat Newcastle-on-Tyne; Thomas Lomas, chemical manacturer, Seaham Harbour; Henry W. E. Spencer, 000keper, Seaham Harbour ; J. Fred rick Spencer, of tye be clerk, Newcastle-on-Tyne ; the four first named of tise being appointed directors, and Thomas Lomas the
mang director.

## teltropolitan seports.

Getping them Out.--In the window of an open surgery in the S.W. district may be seen a large leech aquarium containing a fine assortment of teeth in various stages of decay. Affixed to it is a written label bearing these ominous words, "Teeth got out at $1 s$. each." Possibly some sceptic has sug. gested to the proprietor that his peck of teeth bear the appearance of age, and has further inquired what a job-lot like that would be worth ; for one morning this week, to convince the most incredulous, two pairs of forceps, each grimly grasping a freshly-extracted tooth, garnished the top of the aquarium, while nine other examples, more or less recent, scattered around bear witness to the doctor's skill in the "getting out" line.

The london Commercial 'Travellers' Beneyolent Society.-The first annual general meeting of this society was held on Saturday in the Cannon Street Hotel, D. R. Harvest, Esq., in the chair. There was a large attendance. The report showed that the society is in a prosperous condition, and it was carried unanimously. The chairman said that the board of management had been actuated by one motive and desire, namely, to do the best they could to promote the interests of the society. Twenty-sєven $m$ mbers of the board who retired by rotation were then re-elected. The following nine new members were proposed and elected on the board to replace the nine retiring members:- $F$. Beavis (Ridley, Whitley \& Co.), G. Capstick (R Owtram \& Co.), R. W. Duckett Clarke (Fownes Brothers), W. Gubbins (Game, Harrison \& Larner), G. Knight, J. S. Richardson (Faudel, Phillips \& Co.), S. Sanderson (H. Stevenson \& Co.), C. J. Strother (Meggeson \& Co.), E. Thomas (Fourorinier, Hunt \& Co.). Mr. J. E. Alger, the late chairman of the society, in replying to a vote of thanks to the board for their services in the past year, said it seemed perfectly marvellous that an institution which had sprung up early in 1887 should at the present time be wielding such an influence for good. The members of the society representcd some of the largest firms in the City, and thcir influence would be very powerful. (Cheers.) He pressed upon each member of the society the advisability of individual exertion during the coming year, and he felt sure that at the next meeting their record would be even better than it had been at that one. (Cheers.) A vote of thanks was given to the chairman, and the proceedings then terminated.

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Items of news, and nersspapers containing matiers of interest to the trade, sent to the Editor, will much oblige.

## BIRMINGHAM.

Midland Counties Chemists' Association, - The secretary informs us that the musical and social evening which was to have been held on March 29 will not take place until after the Easter week.

The Inland Revenue Authorities are doing a roaring trade with our chemists. It is said that a visitor to Waterloo Street (their local oflices) saw table after table filled with $1 d$. boxes of pills, lozenges, powders, and ointments. Many have settled by payment of sums varying from 1l. to 102. The apostrophe and "s" seem to be the bette noir.

The Mineral Water Trade.-On March 16 the first annual dinner of the Birmingham and District Mineral Water Trade Protection Association was held at the Grand Hotel, Mr. H. Sanderson presiding. In replying to the toast of "Success to the Association" the President said there was every reason to believe that the Association would so develop that every respectable member of the trade would be anxious to enrol himself as a member. (Hear, hear.) The only means of putting a stop to the dishonest practicc of using other manufacturers' bottles was by the strong arm of the law. (Applause.)

Chemistry Section at Mason College - The report of the chairman of the Academic Board of Mason College has been issued upon the several departments in the faculties of arts and science for the jear ending February 23 last. Alluding to chemistry and metallurgy, he says satisfactory progress bas been made in the number of students attending the classes, and a high standard of work has been maintained. At present the general course is attended by 60 students, the largest number since the opening of the college, and the laboratory is practically full. Two students of the department obtained the degree of B.Sc. (London) in Octoher last, one, Mr. T. J. Baker, witl first-class honours, and the other, Mr. A. L. Stern, with second class honours in chemistry. Mr. Baker has since been appointed honorary demonstrator. Attention is called to the inadequacy of the grant for current expenses, for chemicals, \&c., and the need for new apparatus and the want of a laboratory servant. The report goes on to state that the work of the physics department has progressed steadily and satisfactorily dnring the year. special attention has been paid to the thorough organisation of the practical classes in connection with the junior and middle classes, and it is believed that they have been rendered more eflicient. The general report of the College states that I'rofessor Tilden has been elected an examiner in chemistry to the London University.

False Impitionment and alleged Malicious Pro-secution.-At the Birmingham Assizes on Wednesday, Alfred Edward Davis, of 74 Pershore Road, and 91 Balsall Heath Road, Birmingham, colour importer, and a partner in the firm of Pronk, Davis \& Co, brought an action against Leopold Barouche, colour importer, of Colmore Row, Birmingham, to recover damages for false imprisonment and malicious prosecution. Mr. Jelf, Q.C., for the plaintiff, stated that Mr. Davis had been approached by a servant of Mr. Barouche, named Price, who desired a situation as district agent, and had, after some negotiation, offered to appoint him. Price, however, then declined the situation. In the course of the negotiations the plaintiff had asked for some samples of the defendant's phosphine, and afterwards, in the Birmingham Reform Chub, Price gave him some samples with the cognisance of the defendant. As he came out of the club the defendant was waiting outside with a detective, and the plaintiff was arrested at midday in a crowded street. The charge of felony broke down when it came before the magistrate, Mr. Barouche having admitted that it was a constant practice to give away such samples, and that the sample in question was not stolen. LHere the Judge called attention to the fact that there was no amount mentioned in the statement of claim, and on Mr. Jelf handing up his own statement it was found that it also had only a blank, but in the margin some one had written, "I should think that would be large enough," this referring to a pencilled figure. This incident caused considerable amusement. The record was ultimately am onded by leave.] Evidence was then taken, and the plaintiti's case suhstantiated so far as the wrougful imprisonment was concerned. It also appeared, however, that the plaintiff asked Price, at an interview which he had with him, something about the names of the defendant's customers. He wanted to know what Barouche sent to "Aston, of Spring Hill," and what price was charged to that dealer. His Lordship, in summing up, reviewed the facts of the case, pointing out the nature of the interview, and especially that the arrest was a wrongful arrest. The jury then retired, and, upon returning into court, gave a verdict for 20l., in addition to $10 l$. which had been paid into court. His Lordship entered judgment for that amount, with costs.

## DUBLIN.

A Disastrous Fire occurred here on Wednesday morn. ing, which resulted in the establishment of Mr. C. Mannin, pharmaceutical chemist, 2 Great Brunswick Street, being destroyed. The fire raged fercely for two hours and a half, at the end of which time the premises were completely gutted, in spite of the efforts of the fire brigade, which arrived on the scene at nine o'clock. It appears that one of the assistants had spilled some oil on his apron. This became ignited owing to contact with a candle which he held in his hand, and as he tore off his apron and flung it from him it set fire
to the woodwork of the counter, whence the flam spread all over the shop. The stock destroyed was valued 4,000 , and was partly covered by insurancc.

## LEEDS.

The Extraordinary Charge of Baby-stifing. At the Town Hall on March 16, Owen Stafford, 34 ormerly in business as a chemist at IIyde, near Manchester nd now a chemist's assistant at Morley, was charged on rernd with baving feloniously taken a child, aged three weeks, om the custody of its mother, Margaret Elizabeth Woolonse, a domestic servant. The details of the allegation ba already been reported in this journal. The chief constahle ry stated that nothing had yet been heard of the infant, an applied for a further remand. The prisoner was acrdingly remanded.
Watered Lard.-At the Police Court on Tuesd, before Mr. Bruce, the stipendiary magistrate, William lilon, a grocer and provision dealer, who has three shops, wa harged with selling two samples of lard, one of which ptained 9 per cent. and the other 20 per cent. of added rer. In the latter case, however, it was shown that a label ls lying on the dish upon which the lard was standing stang that the lard was "watered." A fine of $5 l$. was inflict, in the moving to Ecclesall Ruad.
first case, and 17 . in the other, hoth including costs.

## LIVERPOOL.

Sociable Druggists. - A very pleasant eveing was spent hy the staff of Evans, Sons \& Co. last Saturdi in the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association on :3 occasion of their annual gathering. At 6 P.M. a cotany of about three hundred partook of an excellent tea prided by the firm. The large reading.room of the Associan was set apart for this purpose, and was tastefully decorid with plants and flowers. After tea a concert was held in e large lecture hall, Mr. John J. Evans occupying the cha Mrs. John J. Evans, Mrs. William P. Evans, Mr. Shackily, Mrr. Brinson, and others assisted in the programme.

## MANCHESTER.

Suicide of a Chemists Assistant.-The def y city coroner, Mr. S. Smelt, held an inquest on March 1t) the body of John Mundey (23), a chemist's assista. The deceased, who for some time past had been suffer; from religious mania, stayed away from business on the evious Tuesday. In the afternoon he went out for a ws, and about two hours later he was found in a semi-consci s state leaning against a hoarding half a mile from home. e was taken to his house and put to bed, where he remair until about three o'clock the following day. He then go out of bed, and having procured a knife, inflicted such a a ind on his throat that he died shortly after being admitte to the infirmary. The jury returned a verdict to the effect pat he committed suicide while suffering from temporary ir nity.

## NEWTON HEATH.

A Jury and the Sale of Poisons.-Mr. Frede Price, the county ccroner, held an inquest on March 15 at wwon, on the body of the wife, 30 , of a carter, living at ewton Heath. The deceased had been ailing for some tiz, and sent her daughter on the Tuesday afternoon previc for a pennyworth of oxalic acid, and told the girl? tell the chemist, if he asked her what it was for, 1at it was to take out iron-mould. The acid was obtai1, and after she got the woman swallowed it, dying efore medical assistance could be procured. The jury ret ned a verdict that the deceased committed suicide whilst ?mpo. rarily insane, and added the following rider:-"I jury regret that the facilities for the public obtaining deadly isons are so great, and think that additional legislative res ations should be placed on their sale."

## SHEFFIELD.

Mr. Alfred Wood, chemist, ${ }^{\text {, South Street, Moo s re- }}$

A Dical Dispute.-At the County Court last week, Dr. Ji es Mason, Infirmary Road, brought an action against Mr. \liam Cullen, Leeds Road, surgeon's assistant, for breac fan agreement dated April 2, 1884, made hotween them id also claimed a perpetual injunction restraining the defen at in committing any further breach of the agreement by ptising on his own account, or as assistant to any physi $n$, surgeon, or apothecary, within five miles of Sheffield Attercliffe. Mr. A. M. Wilson, who appeared for the plain, read the agreement, in which Dr. Mason agreed to emplc Cullen at a salary of 60l. per year, with use of house, dc., a on his part he agreed that he would not on leaving plainf's employ act for any other physician, surgeon, or apotb ry within five miles of Sheffield or Attercliffe. On Decei er 1, 1887, that agreement was determined hy Mr. Calle and since that period be (Cullen) had joined a gentleman 10 used to be in the plaintiff's employ, and they carrison the practice of medicine and surgery at Attercliffe. Mr. rkpatrick, surgeon, was called, and admitted that Culle aad introduced him to certain patients, but he denied that had employed Cullen as assistant, or that he had acted r him. His Honour, Judge Ellison, said there was nothi to prevent Mr. Cullen introducing anyone. It must be prid that he acted as practitioner. After other evidence had k n given, the case was adjourned.

## SOUTH SHIIELDS.

$T_{\text {remarms }}$ Case.-At the Police Court, on Wednesday, Robe Spoor, mineral water manufacturer, was summoned for utwfully applying the trade-mark of Edward Handslip to t'e bottles of lemonade, and further for applying a false scription to three bottles of lemonade. Mr. Mc Anulty, for tl prosecution, said the defendant was charged under the Merc ndise Marks Act with having sold goods to which he had dilied a false trade-mark, and also with selling goods to $w / h$ a false trade description was applied. The bottles bore . Handslip's registered trade-mark-a hand, with the word slip" across the palm in capital letters. Mr. Mabane, for t) defence, submitted that no injury had heen done to Mr. Indslip; the defendant had received the bottles instead of hi, wn, and bad used them without any idea of fraud. The agistrates having consulted in private, the Mayor intired that the defendant would be fined 20 s. and costs in th first case, and that the second summons would be dism ed.

## SCOTLAND.

## Aberdeen.

TF business of Davidson \& Sim is again in the market.
M.W. G. Gordov, 111 George Street, has taken over the busii:s of Mr. Murison in Skene Street.
Mifindater, who has sold his husiness in Aherchirder, to MIJ J. Petrie, Aboyne, is transferring his energies to
Yorl ire.
Fridee.-This hitherto uncultivated field is now to be "Dilletby one whose identity is overshadowed by the sign "Deil Laboratory."
Bifie has heen created a hurgh, and Messrs. James Brerer and John Webster, chemists, are amongst its first com ssioners.
Pf. Office Appointment. - Mr. Spence, clemist, Mouhooly, has been appointed postmaster for the district. The thorities seem to like chemists, four of the district offic now being held by them.
Mical Officer of Health.-Dr. Matthew Hay, Profess of Medical Logic and Jurisprudence in the University, has een elected to this post. This election is directly antenistic to a resolution arrived at by a committee of the
Tor Conncil.
A rideen and North of Scotland Society of Cit Ists AND Drugaristr. -The annual mecting was held on 1 rch 14. About fifteen members were present. Ne busi ss of any great importance was transacte. Aresent. A rather
desiory conversation desisory conversation on prices was indulged in to little or no 1 pose. The following were elected office bearers for
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Mortimer; treasurer, Mr. Jas. Paterson; se sretary, Mr. A. Strachan; curator, Dr. Presslie; librarians, Messrs. Reid and Coutts; auditor, Mr. W. Gordon.

## Butintisland.

Mr. George Pringle, who has heen for some years principal assistant to Mr. Storrar, Kirkcaldy, is, we hear, ahout to commence husiness here. The town hitherto has been in the sole possession, pharmaceutically speaking, of Mr. Andrew Gilmour.

## Edinburgh.

IT is currently reported that one of the "qualified" assistants so mucl advertised in connection with a cutting establishment not a bundred miles from Edinhurgh has been deriving his "qualification" from a convenient change of surname to that of a cliemist in husiness in the North of England with which his own corrcsponded. His hubble is reported to have been burst by a travelling book canvasser.

Tiie University winter session is just closing, and at the same time the class examination rosults are heing made known. In Dr. Macadam's chemistry class at the College of Surgeons the first prize is taken, with 993 per cent. of marks, by Mr. James T. Grant, who took the prizc scholarship of the local Chemists', Assistants', and Apprentices' Association this session. Mr. Grant gets the silver medal, and another pharmaceutical student, Mr. Alex. Furness, a hronze medal, being bracketed with other two for second place.

The Incones of the Medical Professors of the University are notoriously large. Not only is the medical school the most popular and largest attended one in the king. dom, but the chairs are richly endowed. The total income of the chairs in the medical faculty is 26.6281 ., the expenses in connection therewith, $5,180 l$, so that a sum of 21,230 . remains for division amongst twelve professors. Five of them who do not practise privately as physicians receive each an income of ahout $2,200 \%$., and seven who do practise get about $1,460 l$. each. Some people think that these salaries are too high, and would like a redistribution.

Tife Arboretum is now being put into a condition to be of some interest and service to the student of hotany. On the northern sidc a nice collection of pines is being formed. Among the specimens already planted are cxamples of the silver pine, Scotch, Austrian, and Corsican pines; African cedar, from Algeria; cedar of Lebanon, from Syria; Indian cedar, from the Himalayas; spruces, from Norway ; the black spruce, from E. N. America; Eastern spruce, from Asia Minor; Indian spruce, from the Himalayas. From Japan there are Abies brachyphylla and Abies firma. These look cxactly like the trees with which Japanesc landscape pictures have familiarised us. China is represented by a specimen of Pinus Bungeana. A portion of the west side and most of the southern houndary has hcen laid out in plots containing plants arranged according to their orders. For example, plots are devoted to grasses, Liliacea. Salicinec, and so on. In the collection of Thymclacea, Daphne mezercum is at present in flower; it is the white-flowered variety. Among the Labiate there are specimens of Lavandula spica and Losmarinus officinalis. The Scroy hularince are represented solely by veronicas. Among the Loganiacece, a specimen of Gelscmium ssmpervirens in its appcarance sadly belies its specific name. Examples of Eucalyptus Globutus and sevcral species of Eucalyptus are among the Myrtacce. The Hamamelidece include specimens of Ifamamolis virginica and Liquidambar styracithua; the latter, a native of Central America, yields the balsamic resin known as sweet gum. Several species of Euonymus may be seen among the Celastrinea. The Rhamnacea include Rhamns Purshiana and Rhammus frangula, and in this plot are two plasts, one labelled Pikamnus alpina and the other Pralpinus. It is left to the student to determine which termination is correct. From being a mere wilderness with a few trees and a great many crow's-nests, the Arboretum is now supplied with the elements of instruction and pleasure. With the exercise of a little more judgment in the choice of specimen plants, its usefulncss might he still more increased. To the pharmacoutical student it offers the great advantage of heing, unlike the Botanical Gardens, open on Sundays. From the centre of the city it is only ahout twenty minutes' easy walk. It deserves to be better known than we believe it is.

## FRENCH PHARMACEUTICAL NEWS

## (From our Paris Correspondent.)

New Pharmaceutical Paper.- Journal de Pharmacie de Lorraine is the name of a new periodical to be published monthly at Nancy. It is edited under the auspices of the Lorraine Pharmacentical Society, and with the collaboration of the professors of the Nancy College of Pharmacy.

The academy of Medicine has lost another member in the person of Dr. Hippolytc Blot, who held a seat in the section of accouchements. Several berths are thus now vacant, among them that of M. Méhu, in the scction of pharmacy, a successor for whom is to be clected at an early date. As usual the candidates are cumerous.

Poisoning with Sal-ammoniac.-A whole family near Breull, in the Nice district, has been poisoncd with sal-ammoniac, added throngh mistake to the evening meal instead of common salt. All the family, consisting of father, mother, two daughters, and a son-in-law, were taken sick after the supper. Although medical aid was summoned, the mother, who made the mistake. died during the night, and the other members of the family were dangerously sick for several days.

The Interne Piabriacists of the Paris hospitals and asylums have been notified that they will be expected to takc part in a competition for prizes, to bo held on May 7, in the Avenue Victoria Building. One gold and one silver medal will be awarded, besides some book prizes. All the interne pharmaeists in the employ of the Seine Department authorities must enter the lists, as the jury will not only confer the prizes, but also decide upon the merits of each young man, and judge whether the progress he has made in his studies entitles him to be continued in his service. Thus there will be prizes for some, and possible dismissal for others.

Nitric Acid and Railwats.-A physician in a country town, wishing to have some mono-hydrated nitric acid for a patient, asked a pharmacist of the place to procure for him some ten grammes of the chemical. The pharmacist ordered some of his wholesaler in Paris, but soon received, instead of the ten grammes of acid, a note informing him that, "according to the police regulations for railways, mono-hydrated nitric acid can only be shipped by special iron-clad waggon (wagon spécial blindé) supplied by sender. It is therefore impossible to fill your order." The incident seems ludicrous enough at first sight, but as it will take but little monohydrated acid, under favourable circumstances, to set a rat way train on fire, the exclusion is perfectly proper. Besides, the chomical can casily be prepared with very simple apparatus found in most pharmacies, and every pharmacist knows well enough how to do is, if he will but take the trouble.

Ammonia in Distilled Wateris.-l'rofessor Schlagdenbauffen, of the Nancy College of Pharmacy, whilc examining some fenugreek-seed water of his own make, for its volatile principles, was surprised to observe the characteristic reaction of ammonia and its compounds when adding to the distilled product an alkaline solution of iodohydrargyrate of potassium. On repeating the operation with great care, not only was the same effect reproduced, hut it was equally evident with the water distilled over various other substances. Moreover, upon evaporating the distillates, acidulated with muriatic acid, crystallised ammonium chloride could easily be separatcd. Fifteen different plants were thus tried, such as pyrethrum tops, mustard seed, angelica seeds, pcas, beans, orris root, star-anise seeds, \&c., and afforded a proportion of chloride varying between the minimum and maximum of 003 to $1 \cdot 10$ per thousand. Without attaching too much importance to the facts, in the present stage of his experiments, the professor merely suggests that the presence of ammonia in distilled waters must be the cause, or one of the causes, of their altcration on keoping; that it is always to be found in such waters, and they would keep better if this natural food of micro-organisms could be left out.

Grains of Paradise in Pepper.-A new adulteration of pepper has just been noticed by M. Fabri, a student at the Nancy College of Pharmacy. Grains of paradise is the substance employed. As the prices of the two substances are
not very different, there seems to be no reason for a fral of the sort, were it not that the grains being about twice as Ingent as pepper, every pound of these added will enae the sophisticator to introduce one pound of some inert sultance. The most usual misture is said to be made wit equal weights of pepper, grains of paradise, and starchwhich gives powdered pepper of very fair appearance. the fraud is easily deteeted, because true pepper contas no tannin, while the adulterant does in notable proportic The test may be applied by macerating the suspected powr with a mixture of two parts of alcohol and one of cth, and adding to the filtered liquor one drop of ferric chloriil solntion. Pure pepper affords no colouration, while dcep greenish brown will indicate the presence of grains cparadise. Other common adulterants of pepper, such as to or olive sced, strike a slight green colour with the ferric stition; but it is so different from the other that no possibleloubt can be entertaincd.

## GERIIAN PHARMACEUTICAL NEWS.

## (From our Berlin Correspondent.)

The Late Emperor.-With the "going home" our great Emperor, the followers of science mourn a frie and patron. He continually took the greatest interest the advancement of science. The last meeting of the man Chemical Society was therefore a memorable one, sin it is during the twenty years of Emperor William's reign thiGerman science has grown in importance. The late Eferor always realised the value of new discoveries in the fd of natural philosophy, and generally invited celebrated sants to explain to him anything novel or rccently develo 1 in science. The gevial affability of the "father of the potl" is shown by the following incident:-His Majesty sel one day for the well-known Profcssor v. Hoffmann, now resident of the Chemical Society, and asked him to cxplat the rationale of the methods used for the eondensation of mospheric gases to the liquid state. Hoffmann illustrat his explanation by practical demonstration. When the pit of condensation was reached, and the first drops of liqu ap. peared, the Emperor wittily observed, "Oh, see! no the real Hoffmann Drops are beginning to come!"

A German Colonial exhibition.-It is possiblchat next year Dr. Holub will institute a grand South African :hibition in Vienna on lines similar to those which regulat the Colonial and Indian Exhibition at South Kensington. Dr. Holub is a staunch Prussian, but, like all Germans, is qu in sympathy with everything associated with German-speling peoplcs. The exhibition, if hcld, will be of much inter to British merchants, as it is intended to be representati of the principal industries and the varicus export tradeen $n$ will also certainly inciude some products of British commes and enterprise.

Unemployed Scientists.-Gcrmany has always den regarded as "the happy hunting.ground" of the sciet $t$; but this state of things seems likely to be reversed. he number of students who have passed the examinatior in various arts and sciences, and who, bcing fully qualified re unablc to obtain any position, is just now a clamant evil on the one hand, the Government cannot possibly make of rs of them all, and so draft them into the military; and orne other, commercial positions are already the objects of 1 ve keenest competition. During this winter more than 60 medical students have been engaged in qualifying forte profession of medicine, and it is a fact that the numbrif licences issued to medical men yearly has more than dould during the past six years. University students are awail ing to a very similar dilemma, and besides these perennily flowing sources of educated youth, we must also take 0 account numberless "polytechnics" and private college r seminaries. That these latter are often extensively patron d may be seen from the statistics of the attendance at $e$ "Chemical Laboratory of Professor Fresenius in Wicsball" which has always attracted students from every part of 3 globe. This year his disciples number 75, of whom 453 Germans, 7 Americans, 6 Austro-Hungarians, 5 Swe 4 English, 4 Russians, and some from France, Belgium, Iti,
"leucomaine" has recently been introduced to particularise the animal alkaloids formed during life from those produced by decomposition of dead animal matter. I shall not, however, in this paper use that term much, as the name "ptomaine" is more familiar, and, moreover, it is probable that in the near future the terms "ptomaines" and "leucomaines" will be dropped, and that these bases of animal origin will be classed in one category as "animal alkaloids."
II. At the beginning of this century the power of plants to form alkaloids had been conceded, but until 1872 the power of manufacturing alkaloids was believed to be restricted to plants, and not to be shared by animal organisms. The first faint foreshadowing of the production of alkaloids by animal substances occurred in 1820, when Kerner pointed out the resemblance between the symptoms of poisoning by sausages and by atropine. In 1822 Gaspard and Stick extracted a venomous principlc from corpses. In 1856 Panum detected a very active poison, which was ncither albumensid nor alkaloidal, in putrid matter. In 1866 Dupré and Bence Jones found an alkaloidal substance, resembling quinine in some of its properties, in the liver. In 1868 Bergmann and Schmiedeberg obtained from putrid beer a nitrogenous crystalline substance, which they called sepsine, and which was subsequently thought to be discovered in scpticæmic blood. In 1870 Gautier, in France, commenced his researches on putrefying albuminous substances. A little later Selmi, in Italy, examining the dead body of a person supposed to have been poisoned, extracted an alkaloid which he was unable to identify with any known body, and was led to suspect that it had been produced after death. In 1877 Selmi announced that by subjecting pure albumen to putrefaction he had been enabled to producc and separate two new alkaloids.

Since then Gautier has made a series of elaborate and prolific researches, as the result of which several animal alkaloids have been discovered. To Gautier is due the honour and the credit of being the first one to demolish the artificial barrier that had been erroneously interposed between the physiological phenomena of the animal and vegetable kingdoms, and to clearly establish the doctrine that plants possess no monopoly, no exclusive power to manufacture alkaloids. Creatinine, xanthine, hypoxanthine, guanine, carnine, and betaine, all genuine alkaloids, were found in the tissues of animals, or in their excrementitious products.

Creatinine, discovered in urine by Liebig and Pettenkofer, was the first body of animal origin acknowledged to be an alkaloid. Later Liebreich detected the already known vegetable alkaloid, betaine, in normal urine. In 1880 Pouchet detected carnine in human urine, and this was confirmed in 1881 by Gautier, who showed that it possessed the general properties of a ptomaine. In 1882 Bouchard demonstrated that not only were alkaloids present in appreciable quantities in normal urines, but that they augmented notably in the course of certain maladies-in typhoid fever, for instance; and later Lepine and Aubert concluded that these alkaloids in the urine increase in quantity until the crisis of the disease is reached, after which they diminish (no alkaloid was isolated by these workers in connection with any disease in sufficient quantity, or sufficiently pure, to admit of its ultimate composition being determined). Since then Gautier, as the result of his investigations, has affirmed that the incessant production of alkaloids at the expense of albumenoid materials is a function of all the animal tissues, and is an essential concomitant of the vital phenomena of all living things, animal and vegetable.

It is to albumen, then (a body alike present in animals and plants), that we must look as the common ancestor of alkaloids, whether animal or vegetable. Now what is it that brings about those changes in the albumen molecule, that revolution amongst its constituent atoms, as the result of which follows the rearrangement of those atoms into other bodies, among which are the ptomaines? The force necessary to effect these changes in the albumen molecule is a vital force, a force intimately associated with living matter, whether animal or vegetable; for even in the case of the corpse alkaloids, the ptomaines produced by decomposition of animal matter after death, these bodies are formed as the result of changes induced by the vital activity of microorganisms which set up cadaveric putrefaction. The changes induced in the albumen are such that the complex albumen molecule is split up into several less complex molecules,
among whieh are the animal alkaloids. Albumen is almost insoluble in water, and quite insoluble in alcohol. Now during its putrefactive destiuction it passes through the three following stages:-

1st Stage.-It yields products which are soluble in water, but insoluble in aleohol.
2nd Stage.-It yields products which are soluble in alcohol, but are non-crystallisable.
3rd Stage.-It yields erystallisable products, among which are ptomaines.
The following is a list of the prineipal ptomaines that have been extracted from putrefying animal matters and submitted to ultimate analysis:-
I. Non-oxygenous ptomaines

Be.ong to proidinc $\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{2 \mathrm{n}-5} \mathrm{~N}\right)$ series.
Collidine, $\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{11} \mathrm{~N}$, from patrefying horsetlesh and mackerel.
I'aroline, $\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{~N}$, from putrefying horseflesh and mackerel.
Unnamed base, $\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{~N}$, from putrefying fibrin of bullock's blood.
IIydrocollidine, $\mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{~N}$, from putrefying horscticsli and mackerel.
r'utrescine, $\mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{12} \mathrm{~N}_{2}$, from human corpses.
Neuridine, $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{4,} \mathrm{~N}_{2}$, from human corpses, and from putrefying fish and cheese.
Cudaverine, $\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{16} \mathrm{~N}_{2}$, from human corpses.

## 1I. Oxygenous ntomaines:-

Nentine, $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{NO}$, from cadavcric putrefaction.
Muscurine, $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{13} \mathrm{NO}_{2}$, from putrid fish.
Choline, $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{NO}_{2}$, from calaveric putrefaction.
Gicdinine, $\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{NO}_{4}$, from putricl cod-fish.
Recently Vaughan, in Ameriea, has extracted a ptomaine named tyrotoxicon, from deeomposing cheese, milk, and cream.

But, as I previously stated, not only are alkaloids produced from albumen by its putrefactive decomposition, hut also by the chemical changes occurring within the organism during life. In my opinion the formation in the human economy of animal alkaloids will, in all prohability, explain the genesis of many diseases. But not only in conneetion with disease, but every instant of our lives are alkaloids being manufactured within us as a result of the chemieal changes upon which life is dependent. Gautier has shown that animal alkaloids are a necessary product of vital physiological proeesses, poisonous alkaloids having been extracted by him from the seerctions of living beings. The following is a list of the principal animal alkaloids so obtained:-

Creutinine, $\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{~N}_{3} \mathrm{O}$, from urine.
I'sendorunthine, $\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{~N}_{5} \mathrm{O}$, from urime and flesh.
workine, $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}$, from urine and flesh.
Nenthine, $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{2}$, from urine and flesh.
Crusocreatinine, $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}$, from fresh meat.
Xenthocreatinine, $\mathrm{C}_{3} \mathrm{H}_{10}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{N}_{4} \mathrm{O}$, from fresh meat.
Guenine, $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{~N}_{5} \mathrm{O}$, from ficsh and guano.
Carnine, $\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{3}$, from fresh meat.
Setaine, $\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{11} \mathrm{NO}_{2}$, from urine.
Alkaloids have heen deteeted in the liver, brain, leart, lungs, spleen, and saliva of man; hut these have not been submitted to an ultimate analysis, but only reeognised by their reactions with the general reagents for alkaloids. The poisonous effeets of certain shell-fish (mussels, \&c.) have been shown by Brieger to be due to a ptomaine whieh lie has named mytiloxine, $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{15} \mathrm{NO}_{2}$.

As I previously stated, animal alkaloids are being incessantly produced within our bodies as a result of the normal physiologieal processes of life. Side by side with the manufacture and building up of fresh cell-materials must go the destruction of pre-existing cell elements, and amongst the débris resulting from this destruction are animal alkaloids. These alkaloids are eliminated by the bowels, kidneys, liver, skin, and lurgs; if from any cause these eliminating organs fail to perfeetly fulfil their excretory functions, then an aecumulation of these alkaloids in the eirculation oecurs, and a toxie action is exerted by them on the nervous centres. In this way ean be explained the headache resulting from constipation, and the more serious nervous symptoms resulting from defieient exeretory aetion of the kidneys in certain diseases of those organs. But it is not only on these excretory organs that we depend for the removal of these alkaloids. A powerful agent is at work, destroying them and preventing their infecting and poisoning the being that
gave them hirth, in the oxygen of the blood, whi is con. tinually burning them up. With this new knowl ge, is it to be wondered at that health is so preearious a budition as we know it to be, when we see that from imper it climination, imperfect destruetion, or from increased miffacture of these alkaloids, the human body is at the mercif these fell poisons manufaetured within its own recesses lf, the enunetories remaining sound, there is still exce pe pro. duction, but inadequate elimination-a eondition hieh is obtained in all forms of over-exertion, as in a olonged mareh-then aceumulation of material elaborateol excess and imperfeetly eliminated occurs, an auto-infectic a temporary poisoning of the system results, the poisorffecting the nervous centres and producing the fever over. exertion, the fever of prostration.
III. Ptomaines are divided into two classes, e nod. oxygenous and the oxygenous. A few of them bel g to the pyridine and hydropyridine series, showing a close elation. ship to some of the vegetable alkaloids. Those ipresent known all have simpler chemieal formule than thy lajority of the vegetable alkaloids. A number of the le maines have been prepared synthetically. Let us here onsider the question as to whether the animal and vegetie alka. loids form two distinet groups. Is there \& welldefined frontier line between them? No; on the intrary, these two groups dovetail: they are inseparabl linked together hy certain alkaloids common to both. For stanee, muscarine, an alkaloid present in the fly-mushroom is been found in putrid fish; betaine, an alkaloid contained iretroot, has been found in the urine of man; guanine and arkine, two alkaloids found in flesh, have reeently been de ted in the young sprouts of the plane-tree, vine, and other ants.
IV. Ptomaines are generally powerful poisons, te free ptomaines being more energetic than their salts; ley are either solid or liquid hodies, very alkaline, unit' with acids to form crystalline salts. They are preeipi ed by the general reagents that preeipitate alkaloids, viz leyer's solution, the double iodide of bismuth and potassit, phos. phomolybdate of sodium, pierie aeid and tannin; t $\%$ unite with platinic chloride and auric chloride, forming $\pi / 1$ both double salts.

Several of the ptomaines give colour reactions the strong mineral acids. They are very oxidisable on posure to the air, and therefore are powerful reducingigents, liberating iodine from iodic acid, and reducing ferric lorides to the ferrous state; they, therefore, when added $t$ mixed solutions of ferric ehloride and ferricsanide of pissium, throw down the dark blue precipitate of Turnbuli' lue, a reaetion which was until recently thought to be chari eristic of ptomaines, and to differentiate them from the letable alkaloids; but Gautier has shown that apomorple and muscarine aet in a similar manner. Gautier states, I vever, that the negative test can he used to differentiate, $h$ certainty the ordinary vegetable alkaloids from ptomail,

A most important praetieal point is, whether in edico. legal investigations there is a possibility of con uing a ptomaine produeed by decomposition with any $f$ the poisonous vegetable alkaloids that might have been ministered or taken during life. I ean most emphatica state that it is practically impossihle in a medico-legal exar 1 ation of the viscera, for an expert to eonfuse the very inute quantities of animal alkaloids, whieh have been prod ed by post-mortem decomposition, or whieh exist natura; with any of the vegetable alkaloids w hish might have bei intro. dueed during life.
Y. I will now say a few words as to the probable nesis of the contagious diseases. As you are aware, some jecial miero-organism has been traeed, or relegated, by barriologists to eaeh contagious fever, and has by many beenr irded as the materies morbi, the causative factor of the ;ease, though no explanation has been offered as to ho these miero-organisms start their own speeial disease in $t$ bods they have invaded. Now, one explanation which It e for some time entertained is that after the admission cthese miero-organisms into the body, and provided they $d$ the conditions suitable, they live and multiply, and th as a result, or a residuum, of their vital activity, a powerf alkaloidal poison is produced, the toxicity of which is th ause of the symptoms of the disease. If so, each eor yious disease would be the result of a fermentative decomi ition of albuminous matter within the hody, induced by a ecia
ier rganism manufacturing its own peculiar poison for ch sease.
In e case of some of the non-contagious diseases, which, all rents at present, we do not believe to depend on the ter ation of a micro-organism, it is probable that some no al chemical decompositions occur within the body d e rise to a poison, possibly alikaloidal, which exerts a xic fluence on the organism.
No can any facts or experiments be adduced in support the views? Yes, but they are meagre, as one would tus $y$ expect considering the primeval condition of this me, but I think that they are prophetic. Pouchet has trad from the fæces of a cholera patient an alkaloidal dy hich injected into animals produces slowing of the art nd later death, followed quickly by rigor mortis. The me ithor has obtained from cultivations of Koch's cholera cil traces of an alkaloid which appeared to be identical th le preceding one. Again, from cultivations of the oh! bacillus Brieger obtained a small quantity of a iso usalkaloid that he calls typhotoxine, and which yielded et is different from the alkaloids he had previously lat from putrefying animal matters. Quite recently xo Mann, of the Victoria University, has extracted $m$ he abdominal and thoracic organs of a patient ingof typhoid fever during the third week of the ac an alkaloid, which was obtained in too small a any to enable its composition by ultimate analysis k determined, but which by its qualitative reactions felfrom the typhotoxine obtained by Brieger, although I ni) is quite possible that the differences as regards the iopf reagents might be caused by impurities or changes la 1 in the alkaloid during extraction by one or the other r's Again, Brieger from cultivations of the tetanus ils extracted four ptomaines, all of which when injected 0 ce produced tetanus.
f is view as to the dependence of each contagions dise an alkaloidal poison is received with scepticism, as it bily will be by many at first, I would recall the fact that yver of plants to manufacture alkaloids was also first eil with a great deal of doubt, and that later a similar it on was shown to the admission of animals also possesst power of forming alkaloids.
I' whole subject of tbe causation of the contagious el is at present enveloped in an almost Egyptian dark s, at through this darkness the light of chemical science b nning to struggle. Chemistry has commenced the ply tion of this dark continent of disease, and to those 0 sploy this science as a means with which to search efly and diligently, I feel hopeful that it will reveal the uipoisons of these diseases. If we become acquainted hease poisons and their properties, is it too much to ofilat we shall be able to directly treat fevers, and so ac the reproach that, in the case of the contagious el the meaical man is obliged to stand by helpless and re treat untoward symptoms that may arise? If a tl knowledge of the animal alkaloids leads us in this econ, an immense progress in medical and in chemical er will have been made, and the truth of Bacon's axiom l ce more be manifest, that "The end of knowledge is "llbeing of the human race."

## MARRIAGES.

## Nices of Marriages and Deaths are inserted free if sent hoper authentication.]

A'erton-Clarke.-On March 20, at St. John the Catholic Churcb, Brighton, Will. U. Atherton, of a rd, Essex, to Ada, eldest daughter of the late F. J. ir, Esq., J.P., of Bracebridge Hall, Lincolnshire.
-Prossor.-On March 13, at the Church of St. clel's and All Angels, Portsea, James Hay, A.P.S, (ich Road, Herne Hill, S.E., and Alford, Aberdeen, to e e, fifth daughter of George and Ellen Trossor, of a sea.

A New Cure for Whooping-cougii.-A Norwegian 5 ian avers that whooping-cough may be readily cured, ra a single night, by causing the patient to sleep in a in which sulphur has been burned.

## Gazette.

## THE BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1883.

## Receiving Orders.

Barnes, W. J., Rainham, Essex, chemical manufacturer.
Chittenden, Charles Pierce Downey, Bexhill, Sussex, surgeon.
Powell, David, Swansea, chemist and druggist.

## First Meetings and Public Examinations.

Barnes, Lawrence Robert (trading as Barnes \& Co.), York, chemist and druggist. March 26, Official Receiver's Office, York. April 13, Guildhall, York.

Marston, George Henry, Lordship Terrace, East Dulwich, late of Swiss Terrace, Forest Hill, Commercial Road, and Whately Road, East Dulwich, chemist. March 27, Bankruptcy Buildings, Portugal Street, Lincoln's Inn Fields. April 19, 34 Lincoln's Inn Fields.
Towell, David, St. Thomas, Swansea, chemist and drugrist. March 27, Official Receiver's Offices, Swansea. April 12, Town Hall, Swansea.

Payne, Jacob Hugh, Thrapston, Northamptonshire, chemist and druggist and sauce manufacturer. March 26, Bankruptcy Buildings, Portugal Street, Lincoln's Inn. April 17, County Hall, Northampton.
Wolstenimolme, John Hancock, Abergele, Denbighshire, surgeon. March 23, Official Receiver's Offices, Chester. March 29, Court-house, Bangor.

## AdJudication.

Crookes, Joseph, Dundee, late of Eckington, Derbyshire, chemist and druggist.

Orders on Applications to Approve Scilemes.
Ackerman, Henry, Bristol, wholesale druggist, chemist, and dentist. Composition of $4 s$. within seven days.

Milward, W. Clement, St. Stephen Square, Westbourne Park, late of Brixton Rise, Brixton, doctor. 300l. paid to the Official Receiver to be applied after payment of fees, costs, charges, and expenses, \&c., pro ratî, among the creditors. Receiving order rescinded.

## Notices of Dividends.

Badger, Willtam James, Allcroft Road, Haverstock Hill, and Drury Lane, mineral water manufacturer. First and final div. of $1 s .0 \frac{1}{4} d$, any day except Saturday, Uhief Official Receiver's Offices, 33 Carey Street, Lincoln's Inn.

Hannay, Joitn, Lea Cross, Salop, surgeon. Second and final div. of $3_{4}^{3} d$, any day, Mr. F. Cariss's, Mill Street, Ludlow.

Wright, Thomas Poyntz, Oldham, surgeon. First and final div. of $9 d$., March 23, 12 Greaves Street, Oldham.

Whitham, Joseph, trading as Joseph Whitham \& Co. at Miles Platting and Pendleton, Lancashire, as a clremical manufacturer. First div, of 7s. 6d., March 27, 2 Clarence Buildings, Booth Street, Manchester.

Orders made on applications for Discharge.
Dennan, John Eustace, Lower Phillimore Place, Kensington, surgeon dentist. Discharge suspended for one month.

Lightbown, Thomas, Rishton and Padiham, Lancashire, wholesale druggist. Discharge suspended for nine months.

Scotland.-Tetition for Cessio.
Leitch, ARCmbald J., 146 George Street, Glasgow, artificial limb, truss, and bandage maker. To be examined in the Chambers of Sheriff Substitute Balfour, County Buildings, Glasgow, on March 27, at ten o'clock.

## MR. BLANE'S ADVERTISEMENT.

We now append our final selections from the post-cards sent us in the competition No. 2, which, it will be recollected, was for a general or specific 2-inch advertisement in a local paper likely to promote business.

We regret that we cannot endorse the recommendation of "Bon Accord," who proposes to buy testimonials as follows:-

Mr. Blank, Chemist, Dull Town, offers Sir Money Prizes, one of 21 ., one of 17 ., and four of 10 s. eaeh, amounting in all to

## FIVE POUNDS,

to any who have used his "Nerve Tonic," for the best testimonials to its effieney. The winners' names, addresses, and testimonials to be advertised in this paper during the month of March.
Competition to close on the 25 th instant.

> Bon Accord.
V. would allure the unsuspecting reader by the delusive ideat that there was a thousand pounds to be picked up in the following manner:-

## IMPORTANT PUBLIC NOTICE. ONE

Trial of Dr. Blavk's Liver Pills will eonvince the most seeptieal of their effieacy in Nervous and Bilious Disorders. For wind and pain in the stomaeh, chest or back, loss of appette, sickness, beadaebe, giddiness, costivencss, female complaints, they are unequalled, and afford almost instant and permanent relief, and lay the foundation of perfeet health and strength. More than a

THOUSAND
Can alrealy testify to the great benefit of such a remedy, in relieving and curing the above painful and annoying disorders, and many

## POUNDS

May be saved by the afflictell, if, instead of buying worthless imitations, so cunningly advertised, they will take Blank's Liver- Pills. Any person doing so will meet with his or her own

## REWATD.

Call at Blank's Popular Pharmacy and get a 1 s . hox, and see the numerous testimonials received, whiell will prove the above statements.
V.

The following would be effective from a sensational point of view:-

## APPALLING

Are the humdreds of deaths every ycar from Lung Diseases. Tliese may have been prevented by taking Blaxk"s
GREAT LUNG HEALER.
In bottles, at $1 s .1 \frac{d}{d}$. and $2 s, 9 d$.

## ACCIDENTS

Of all kinds, whether bruises, sprains, kicks, \&cc., or mishaps in the hunting-fieln, may be speedily cured by

> Blank"s

UNIVERSAL SPRAIN LOTION.

Prepared, together with many other valuable remedies, only by T. L. Blank, Pharmaceutical Chemist, Dull Town.

Rtceind Bilton, Holswortlyy, Devon.
Mr. Wilson's idea, which we subjoin, could be more forcibly shown if the alphabetical arrangement were printed in a long column :-


We next give two very artistically designed generiadrertisements suggested by Mr. F. Smith, Deal:-


The idea involved in the next design is to so arral the type as to give the appearance of a bottle by the side $f$ the general advertisement. For such a purpose, how ir, it must be remembered that type is a little less elasi: than penmanship.

## "Curâ et Labore "

TRY
MY CURES
FOR
NEURALGIA!
DYSPEPSIA!
RHEUMATISM!
WEAK JOINTS!
COUGH \& COLD !
CORNS \& WARTS!
FALLING HAIP!
LIVEI COMPLAINT.
has been furnished with modern apince for clegance and dispateh; and mo areful atiention is given to every di 1 to ensure
in bottles only
At ONE SHILLING. Feb., 1888.

## J. E.

A Canadian competitor announces himself laco ally thus:-

## PEOPLE OF DULL TOWN,

Kindly remember that Mr. Blank has opened a drug-store in yo town, Whare every transaetion will be conducted on honest business ps iples

Dispensing done properly by a competent chemist.
I will entearour to merit your patronage.
Yours respectfully,

I next is a startler, but it suggests poverty on the part $t$ advertiser, which is not, perhaps, a desirable impres() create.


Geo. O. Pearson, Northallerton.
I re is some novely and ingenuity about the following $\checkmark$ isement which would probably render it a successful

## NOTICE.

1. Registrar-General's return sbows that 32 per the deaths in 1887 were due to discases if from common cougls and colds.
ino lives may not therefore be saved
a reliable and trust-
worthy remedy!
BLANK'S COUGH LINCTUS
gives relief quiekly, and cures effeetual'y, CJUGHS, COLDS, BRONCHITIS, ASTHMA, $\& \mathrm{c}$.
BLANK,
IIIGII STREET,
DULL TOWN.
Sporingium.
1 Stephenson, of Bradford, offers a similar idea in the ling, which is extracted from his post-card :-
: A Cough! and the finder may do the same by thking -_'s thil Cough Balsam, sold in bottles at $7 \frac{1}{2} d$. and 1 s. eaeh, by, \&c.
ce competitors adopt the idea suggested by Messrs. and propose the insertion of optical illusions as The first is sent by Mr. T. D. Wright, South port:-

## A CURIOUS OPTICAL ILLUSION.

lding this in a slanting direction, looking down the thiek black s, will he seen that they are parallel, although they appear to taper ${ }^{11}$ atate directions.


Winter Lotion is a valuable preparation for chaps, chilblains, ronghness of skin, \&c.

$$
\text { In } 6 d . \text { and } 1 \mathrm{~s} \text {. bottles. }
$$

Prepared only by Blank, Chemist, Dull Town.
[i advantage of this advertisement (says Mr. Wright) is cr cat out (as in all probability it will be) and pasted on cr into a book to be kept, the words, "Blank's winter il" cannot be got rid of without spoiling the illusion.

A correspondent in Paris (T. A. K.) sends the following :-
"Patienec is a salve good for all sores."-(Aneient proverb.) This may be true, but patience is a virtue for which we shall have neeessity no longer, for Blank, Chem'st and Druggist, possesses a lotion named Balsam of Flowers which eradicates spots, pimples, and harduess of the skin, rendering it soft, delicate, and blooming. Our lady friends have found it very useful during the late severe weather, which, aceording to bar metrical reading, is likely to continue for some time to come : lience make a note of this.

Mr. F. Smith, Deal, sends the next one, which will be easily read by looking at it with the eye on a level with the page.


We presume we are indebted to St. Valentine's Day for the design annexed.


The suggestion which follows is more striking thar lovely:-


We wind up with two more very excellent designs, facsimiles of drawings on post-cards sent us hy Mr. F. Smith, Deal.


Wc have still a very large heap of post-cards, many of which we had hoped to make room for. But the awards were made from a careful examination of the whole parcel before any were selected for printing. We decide to pay the guinea to Mr. Frederick Smith, 196 High Strcet, Deal, who, it will he admittcd, has given us several artistic and effective designs for general advertisements. We name especially the first of his printed (the one showing the mortar with the graduated measure at its corners) as the one for which the prize is awarded. We also award half a guinea each to W. G. Blackham, 165 Brecknock Road, London, N.W., for his advertisement of "Wild Cherry Cough Elixir" (printed last week on page 368), which, we think, is so worded as to attract customers; and to Mr. T. S. Pearson, Maidstone, for his advertisement headed "Found Dead," printed last week on page 369.

A Brooklyn physician, who gives particulars of sixteen cases of poisoning with castor-oil heans, in all of which vomiting and nausca were extremely severe, mentions the fact that in not a single case was purging produccd hy the heans.

To Paint a Black Eye there is nothing to compare with the tincture of Capsicum annuum, mixed with an equal bulk of mucilage of gum arabic, with the addition of a few drops of glycerinc. The mixture should be painted over the bruiscd surface, a second and third coating heing applied as soon as the first has dricd. If applied immediately after the injury is inflicted, it will almost invariably prevent discolouring of the tissue. The remedy is also of valuc in rheumatism, sore or stiff neck.

## NOTE ON THE FRUIT OF EVODIA FRAXINIflia.

By II. Helbing, Apotheker of the German Hospital, ndon.

IHAVE recently received from different commercia ouses parcels of fruits under the name of Evodia fraxifolia, which, although they were also ohtained from Ind: differ very widely from that which I investigated some tie ago, and the essential oil of which I recommended at e last meeting of the British Pharmaceutical Conferenc as a deodorant for iodoform. I therefore think it necessa to explain the anomaly.
The plant and fruit which first came under my nots, and the oil of which formed the suhject of the commajation referred to, are described in Christy's "New Conercial Plants," No. 10, p. 58, by Mr. Lewis Castle, who scially draws attention to the fact that $E$. fraxinifolia h been frequently delineated under various other generic niles, as tetradium, xanthoxylum, philagonia, megabotrga, le 1 , and hoymia, and it seems from the inquiry which I har made that Mr. Castle was mistaken in his classification the plant. I forwarded a sample of the fragrant oil-lding fruits, and of the ahove-mentioned commercial articl o Mr. Jackson, curator of the Kew Museums, and for the fowing botanical particulars I am indehted to his kindness.

It seems now almost indubitahle that the fruits nich I had in hand at first were derived from Xanthoxylum'amil. tonianum, and that the drug now offered is the real oduct of Evodia fraxinifolia. The latter are somewhat lare than the herbarium specimens at Kew, hut the fruits are lieved to vary in size, and the small aromatic ones, as above ated, are considered to be those of X. Hamiltonianum, thoih the material now availahle is not sufficient for positis hetermination of this point.

a. Fruit of Evodia fraximifolia (viewed from the njex), two of tharpels of which dehiseed. b. Seeds of the same. c. Fruit of Xa, xylum IItomiltonionum, with four earpels, all of which have dehisce iewed from the apex). d. A three carpelled fruit of the same (vie (from the base). p. A seed of the same. These drawings are of same size as the fruits and seeds.

The fruits of the true Rodia fraxinifolia consist four carpels united into a star-like shape, each of which ctains two longitudinal and three rounded angular sceds poied at the two ends. The seeds are of a dark brown, faintly Itrous appearance. The epicarp is parchment-like, more less speckled, and dirty earthy hrown in colour. The frailf $X$. IIamiltonianum consist of from three to four carpels sil larly arranged, and the pericarp is hrown, and dotted with nute warty points. The seeds are heart-shaped, and have at lendent hlack colour. The fruits of this plant are onl bout half as large as those of $E$. fraxinifolia, though tir arc much more elegant in form and appearance, but the sis of the last named are the smaller.
I consider it desirable to make known this correc $n$ as to the supposed source of the fragrant seeds, as the of the true E. fraxinifolia does not seem, judging fr the samples now in commerce, to contain any oil suited the purpose ahove namcd; as far as can be judged, th are quite valueless, and their continued introduction int :ommerce would apparently scrve no useful purpose. Whave therefore to transfer the source of the iodoform deod sing properties of the oil I extracted to the fruit of Xanth lum IIamiltonianum, and I hope that the difficulty in caring the original drug will for the future be avoided, the correct namc of the plant is now known.

Dr. Lauder Brunton has stated that salicylate of inm in some persons tends to cause most disagreeable ions whenever the eyes are shut, and this is fully corrobore by other ohservers. The hallucinations which are occi ned hy the drug are of the most curious character, and vcr irritating to those patients who thus suffer.

## IILURES AND BANERUPTCY REPORTS.

## 1 Patrick Letters, lately of Dundee, Doctor of Medicine.

TH zamination of this bankrupt, whose apprehension in clar we reported last week, took place at the Edinburgh nk tey Court on March 14. In reply to the trustee, :J es F. Mackay, W.S., the bankrupt stated that for a $m b$ of years he was a medical practitioner in Dundee,
ereie had also four drug shops. ;About the end of ere he entered into negotiations for the sale of lis inites and practice with Dr. McGregor, who ultimately rchld them, giving three bills and 80l. cash, amounting all 5002 , in part payment. He promised to make paynt one of lis creditors, Messrs. John Maekay \& Co., ole le druggists, Edinburgh, in August. They were to eir the 5000 , pay themselves 3000 . he owed them, and ad m over the balance. This arrangement was made dermpulsion of a decree which Messrs. Mackay \& Co. wained against him, and which they threatened to orcanless they obtained payment of their debt from the \%. Le left Scotland on August 1, having got payment m r. MeGregor of the 5007. The arrangement with ssr Mackay \& Co. was not carried out. He tried to sell $t$ chis furniture, and took the rest with him to Ireland. le: ng Dundee he acquainteã Messrs. Mackay \& Co. of fel by postcard, but did not give his address. It was instion to commence practice in Dublin, but he afterdds ought he would do better in Carlow. His wife had rop ty worth 1301. per year, and he offered to leave the es it with Messrs. Mackay \& Co. as security for his t , it they declined. His wife had advanced him at ers times sums amounting to about 250l., and he repaid t1 money out of the proceeds of the bills. She had naied repayment. Before leaving Dundee he paid various dits what he owed them. He remained for three months valw. His wife took a house in her own name there 1 nished it. After further examination, directed to w at the bankrupt while in Ireland was evading arrest, sted that he was willing to make up a statement of his ir: n getting access to the necessary papers, which were He oom. He kept the transactions of his Dundee busis cprinted slips, which he was aware had been destroyed. tt as after Dr. McGregor had inspected them He $\mathrm{nk} p \mathrm{pt}$ ) kept no books in connection with his Dundec in 3. Mr. Mackay, in asking an adjournment, said the ets ere only 130l. or 1402., and that the expenses had n tremely great. The further examination was adIn till March 28. On emerging from the Bankruptey rt r. Letters was apprehended by a sheriff-officer from ad, under a warrant charging him with an alleged ingt ent of the Bankruptcy Act.

Cr 00 D \& Leith, St. Helens, Manufacturing Chemists. T e Liverpool Bankruptcy Court on Monday last, before Eistrar Bellinger, William Lockwood and John Leith, iii as Lockwood \& Leith, of the Boundary Road, and r eemical Works, St. Helens, appeared for their public $m_{\text {a tion. Mr. Sparrow appeared for the debtors, and }}$ f the executors of W.L. Evans ; Mr. Hawkins appeared cr itors.
hit tatement of affairs showed that there were unsecured ${ }^{1 i}$ s to the amount of $19,475 l .63$.; secured creditors, 15), showing a slight surplus; and partially secured di s , 11,6802 , holding securities valued at $5,055 l$., and ii $6,6252$. . s , $7 d$. to rank against the estate ; making the 1 st indebtedness 26,1002 . The assets consist of cash hat, 66l. 10s. $6 \mathrm{~d} . ;$ stock-in-trade, 1,807l. 1s. 8 d. ; maat, plant, ©c., 3,3981 ; and good debts, $905 l$.; making a 16,1072.
hilebtor William Lockwood was first examined by Mr. ii the oficial Receiver. He stated that the partnership
wa himself and Leith 12 himself and Leith commenced in December, 1873.
(cckwood) introduced 500 ( (ckwood) introduced 5,000l. of capital, and Leith til like amount during the last few years, and each $5 l$.
the ti like amount during the last few years, and each $5 l$. wn 1,1002. and 1,2001 . during the fourteen years. There
were articles of partnership drawn up, but he could not say where they now were. In regard to his 5,0002 l., he had received 3,000 . from Mr. Evans on the understanding that if the business succeeded it was to be repaid, and if not it was to be treated as a gift. He also had $1,500 l$, from his mother, and this money had come to him as part of his slare under her will when she died. The balance was from a gentleman named Haxby, under whose will he also had an interest. He had a letter from Mr. Evans showing the conditions upon which the 3,000 . was advanced. He had not sclieduled Mr. Evans as a creditor for that amount. Witness was to look after the commercial, and Leith after the practical, part of the business. They first of all purchased the Boundary Road Works for 3,0002 ., subject to a ground-rent of 1082. per annum. The only article they had manufactured there was caustic soda. In the first year, 1874, they lost 1,277l. 16s. $2 d$.; in 1875, 1,780l.; in 1876, $922 l$, ; in 1877, 477l. $7 s$; in 1878, 1,4512.; in 1879, 9871.; and in 1880, 2,6312. In 1881 there was a profit of 166l.; in 1882, a loss of $572 l$.; in 1883, a loss of 1201.; in 1884, a profit of 269l.; in 1885, a loss of 4082.; in 1886, a loss of 1292 .; and in 1887, 5,3411 .; which, with the estimated depreciation, \&.., on the works, made up the deficiency of 19,9933 . Up to the year 1880 they had made a loss of 9931 . on a salt-cake contract, but it was not written off until 1887; and other amounts of 5302. and 2582. incurred before 1880 were not written off until 1887. On Junc 30, 1880, by their books, witness had a balance of $2,695 l$. to his credit, and Leith had 3,9647 . to his debit ; but if they added the losses then accrued, but not written off till 1887, they would have a clear deficiency of about 3,000 , at that date. Witness had since then paid in a sum of $80 l$, and Leith had recently paid in 800 l , obtained by mortgage on his dwellinghouse.
The Registrar: So that they lave been fighting against a deficiency since 1880 .
The debtor continued to say that in 1887 they made a contract to supply "bleach," which they expected would prove very remunerative, but the loss, through non-fulfilment, was about $3,000 \mathrm{l}$. They had not made bleach previously; but they had taken the Parr Woiks in the interval. The Boundary Road Works now stood in their books at 11,187l., but they had allowed a depreciation of $5,601 \mathrm{l}$. upon them in their deficiency account. That was taking them at their breaking up value, if sold by auction. They had not written off depreciation as they had gone along, as they considered that they had kept up the works in full working order; had spent as much as 5007. a quarter in keeping them up. In the same way they had estimated the depreciation on the Parr Works at 4,167l. They had spent 7,000l, upon these works in addition to their first cost, which was 10,0002 . They bought them in May last year. They did not consider that it was a very serious undertaking for them to purchase those works in their then state of insolvency. One reason for the purchasc was that they hal no room at the Boundary Road Works for the deposit of their waste. There were 35 acres of land at Parr. They also intended to make caustic soda there, as they expected to do so much more cheaply. There was a good deal of plant there which could be converted cleaply. They purchased the Farr Works from the bank, which had a mortgage on them to the extent of 25,0007 ., for 10,000 l., the payments to extend over twelve years. Nearly all their present trading debts had been incurred since September last. There was an account in the private ledger headed "W. L. Evans-Special Account." Mr. Evans was his brother-in-law, and was now deceased. In March, 1883, they had a fire at their works, and, pending settlement with the insurance company, Mr. Evans advanced them 500\%, on an assignment of the insurance money. When this was paid, thcy, with his consent, used the money, and substituted as security assignments of customers' debts, increasing the amount to 700l. As the debts were paid they continued using the money, and substituting fresh assignments. This continued even after lis death in October last, until just before the bankruptcy. They came to the conclusion that they would have to stop parment on February 4 last. They had consulted about it previously, and come to the conclusion that they must stop unless they could raise some more money, which they failed to do. On February 4 they issued notices to certain debtors giving notice of the assignment of their debts to Evans's executors. They were advised to do this by their solicitor, Mr. Moore. He was himself one of

Evans's executors. On February 10 they had a meeting of their creditors, and the petition in bankruptcy was filed on February 23. They had made a complete disclosure of their affairs, and of all their property.
Examined by Mr. Pierce, a creditor:-It was not a fact that Mr. W. L. Evans was a partner in the business. The claim of 2,9002 . odd by Knight, Hill \& Co., of London, arose through their not being able to carry the bleach contract through.

By Mr. Sparrow : At the time they bought the Parr Works there was every prospect of the bleach contract turning out very remunerative. Their contract failed partly owing to a delay caused by a dispute as to the boundary of the Parr Works, and partly to damage caused in the works by a heavy storm. A great portion of the plant they wished to utilise for the bleach manufacture was on the land in dispute. They had hoped to be in a position to deliver " bleach" early in January, and as it was a cash contract they had hoped after that to be all right. Mr. Evans was his brother-in-law. The executors, or rather his co-executor, Mr. Thomas Evans, sent a notice to the debtors whose debts were assigned on the same day as the firm-February 4. Mr. Evans was advised to give the notice. Witness had told him that the firm was in difficulties, and he thought he also told him that they thought they had better suspend.
John Leith was next examined. He said that Mr. Lock wood's evidence was correct except as to some dctails of practical working with which Mr. Lockwood was not as conversant as himself. The damage done by the storm was much more extensive and serious than Mr. Lockwood had implied. He also considered that large amounts had gone down in the books as loss on caustic soda which had really been spent on new buildings and works. He considered the Boundary Road Works had cost at least 15,000l. in all, instead of 11,000 l. It would cost them $1,200 l$, a year to provide land for depositing their waste, so that for that reason alone the purchase of the Parr Works at the price was desirable. They also expected there to save 10 s. to 15 s . a ton on the cost of making the caustic soda. The "bleach " contract, he had calculated, if carried out, would have yielded them a profit of $5,000 \%$. The contract was to extend over the current year. Mr. Lockwood had no doubt consulted him as to Evans's matter, but he could not remember what had passed.

At this stage the public examination was adjourned to April 9

The first mecting of creditors was held on Tuesday, at the offices of the Official Receiver, Victoria Street, Liverpool. There was a large attendance of creditors. After going through the proofs and reading the statement of affairs, Mr. Oppenheim, on behalf of the debtors, asked for an adjournment to enable them to make an offer which it was thought would be accepted. After considerable discussion it was arranged to adjourn until Monday next

The following is a list of the principal creditors on the estate : -

| lesey Limestone Company |  |  | 135 |
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| Aspinwall, J., Blogaegate, coal merchant |  |  | 88 |
| Buxton Lime Company |  |  | 14 |
| Blmidell, J., \& Co., coal merelants |  |  | 0 |
| Brownlow, Foster \& Co., coal merclants |  |  | 56 |
| Burrows, E., \& Sun, St. Helers, engineers |  |  | 87 |
| Sibby, J, es Sonz, St. Helena, copper works |  |  | 3 |
| Blockhairn Fireclay Company |  |  | 77 |
| Cheshire Amalgamated Silt Company |  |  | 64 |
| Charnock, J., \& Sons, Halifix, stone mercha |  |  | 154 |
| Dunn Brothers, Mancliester |  |  | 104 |
| Dobell, G. C., \& Co, Liverpool |  |  | 417 |
| Dawzon, C, \& Co., Mold |  |  | 11 |
| Gamble, J. C., \& sons, St. Helens |  |  | 922 |
| Glover, Urmson \& Co., St. Helens |  |  | 83 |
| Garnskik Fireclay Company, Glasgow |  |  | 11 |
| Henderson \& Co., Irvine, N. ${ }^{\text {B. }}$ |  |  | 177 |
| Hellewell \& Co., Liverpool, rubber merchants |  |  | 7 |
| Holman, Mitchell \& Co., St. He'ens |  |  | 2 |
| Johnson, Clapham \& Co., Liverpuol, fron me |  |  | 7 |
| Kurtz, A. G., \& Co, St. Helens .. |  |  | 07 |
| Knceshaw, Nupton \& Co., Liverpool |  |  | 612 |
| Kuight, Hill \& Co., Billiter Street, London |  |  | 3,452 |
| Lathom, Jimmes, St. Helens, timber merchant |  |  | 642 |
| Lanenshire Alkali and Sulphar Company .. | - |  | 91 |
| McKechuic \& Co., St. Helens |  |  |  |

Melling, Thomas, Newton, eoal merchant Moore, Stuart \& Co., Temple, London Newsome, W., St. Helens, coal merchant .. Parr's Banking Company, St. Heleus Oppenheim, Malkin \& Co., St. Helens St. Heleus Chemieal Company St. Helens Corporation St. Ho'ens Colliery Company Simpson, Davies \& Co., Runeorn, eoal merchants Simpkin, Thomas, Runcorn, contractor .. Thompson, Crippin \& Co. Vivian, sons \& Co., SFransea Warley, J., \& Co., St. Helens. . Wigan and Whiston Coal Company Ward, James, Grange-over-Sands, lime works

## Re William Frederick Birci, Cherry Street, Birdigham,

 Dentist.This debtor applied on March 15 for h is dischal. Mr. Sharp reported that the debts were 1,2402 ., and tl assets were put down at 9612 ., but the trustee had only yalised 184l. The bankrupt had carried on a business vier the title of the Odontobaph Company for the sale ( toilet powders. The business was managed by a Mr. Schf $t$, and no proper books had been kept. Mr. Vachell (who i)eared for the bankrupt) stated that the debtor's positil was entirely due to Mr. Schfeldt, who was an artful scindrel, and who had recently served twelve months' impri ment for forgery. Schfeldt managed the business entirely, wrred all the debts, and the bankrupt could get no proper connt from him. His Honour granted the discharge, susct to judgment being ertered up for 1502.

## Re J. Crookes, Dundee and Eckington, Chemist and Druggist.

The receiving order in this case was made on $t$ joint petition of Messrs. J. T. Dobb \& Son, Sheffield, c nists, creditors for 22l. 6s. 11 d., and Messrs. W. T. Wyley : Co., manufacturing chemists, of Coventry, for 36l. 5s. 8 The debtor has filed no accounts, but amongst the credit who have proved are Messrs. Greaves \& Sons, 54l. 48. 1, and Messrs. Richardson \& Co., 11l. 5s. 3d. The first meet $;$ was recently held at the St. James's Hotel, Derby, and a re ution was then carried to wind up the estate in bankrupt on Wednesday the debtor was to have attended before Mr egistrar Giffard in the London Bankruptcy Court for hi ablic examination, but nothing was done beyond making arder to transfer the proceedings to the Derby Court.

## Re G. II. Marston, East Dulwich, Chemist.

In this case the receiving order was made on Marcl, the debtor being described as George Henry Marston, of fordship Terrace, East Dulwich, in the county of Surrey, c nist, latcly carrying on business at 2 Swiss Terrace, Forest 11 , in the county of Kent, and 371 Commercial Road, E., the county of Middlesex, and 4 Whately Road, East Dulv 'h, in the county of Surrey, having for the greater part of t past six months resided at 7 Lordship Terrace, East D ich, aforesaid. He has now filed accounts showing fully- $\varepsilon$ ared creditors 4352 . (the estimated value of the security being 0 l.); creditors for $351 l$., secured to the extent of $75 l$. ; credit: for rent, rates, taxes, \&c., 47l. 13s. 10d.; and unsecured bts, 409l. 7 s .8 d . On the other side the stock in trade is re ned at $5 l$., the fixtures at $7 l$, and the furniture at $5 l . ; \mathrm{t}$, of course, being all absorbed by the preferential claims. A ord ing to the Official Receiver's observations," The tor states that he cornmenced business at Forest Hill in 186 vith a capital of 50l., has also traded at Commercial Road an iast Dulwich, and opened his present premises in March 385. He attributes his insolvency to his expenses having b in excess of his profits, and to loss by seizure and sale his stock, furniture, and effects in June, 1884. His bol of account consist only of a takings-book and a rough nott jok referring to his creditors' accounts in respect of his p .ent business. He has by consent been adjudged bankrupt.'

## Re Rippon, 85 Opper Street, Islington, Chemist and Druggist.

In s case the receiving order was made on February 22 ; de or bas been adjudged bankrupt and an order made t) summary administration of the estate. Mr. G. W. apto, one of the assistant official receivers, presided on urs y at the first meeting of the creditors. The accounts d ow gross liabilities of $324 l$. 19s. $8 d$., of which bl. $3.8 d$. is expected to rank against assets estimated at .1 At a private meeting of the creditors in January last off of a composition of 10 s . in the pound was refused. pel 3 is a list of the principal creditors :-

bei a summary case no resolution was passed, and the ici Receiver will in due course wind up the estate. The oliexamination is fixed for April 12. A creditor exiss an opinion that the lowest sum for which the ins should be sold was 200l. It was stated that the se the premises had, however, been sold for 50l., and sck, \&ce, at a valuation. Considerable dissatisfaction seressed at this.
e Marcus Leon, 129 Grosvenor Road, Pimlico, Manufacturing Chemist.
N e London Bankruptcy Court on Thursday, this debtor 1: to Mr. Registrar Hazlitt for his order of discharge. Jlure took place in July last, and the accounts filed Wi liabilities of 1,881 l. $17 \mathrm{~s} .6 d$. , and assets $51 l$. 10s. $4 d$, ic aave, however, only realised 10l. 6 s . The estate was ur, up in bankruptcy. The Official Receiver reported that likrupt stated be had in January, 1873, carried on busis a general merchant, under the name of Max Benjamin uann. His affairs were liquidated by arrangement, his oi les then amounting to $46,193 l$. and assets 25,252 I. He ad his discharge in April, 1873. In 1879 he entered o rtsership with another in Hamburg as Edward Lax cshipping agents. He left the firm in July, 1885, and is deno liability in respect of it. In his public examination lakrupt stated that he adopted the name of Marcus or which was his wife's name, in 1886 . He began his it business as a manufacturing chemist in November, 36 vithout any capital of his own, but borrowed 550l. from e (and still owes $356 l$. of that), which she obtained by crender of a policy over his life, effected for her benefit dt the Married Women's Property Act. The bankrupt sinently borrowed $902 l$. 17s. 9 d., all of which is still is The Official Receiver reported that the bankrupt d nitted to keep such books of account as are usual and or in his business; that for the purpose of establishing usiness the bankrupt opened various agencies and ged a brigade of 300 boys; that the loss incurred by \& eculation amounted to $950 l$.; and, having regard to the that the bankrupt had no capital of his own, "he has ht about his bankruptcy by rash and hazardous specui "; that the bankrupt in June, 1887, handed over stock t value of 80l. to two of his creditors by way of security. $s$ therefore, " within three months of the receiving order, unable to pay his debts as they became due, given an '3 preference to creditors." Mr. Salmond opposed the sarge, and the Registrar ordered a suspension for eighteen as, but on the application of Mr. Rosenthal, the bankE solicitor, withdrew that order, and granted a discharge cet to judgment being entered up against the bankrupt . $6 d$. in the pound.
1.. BRyce Barr, chemist and druggist, has acquired the interest in the firm of Fraser \& Barr, Medical Hall, , N.B., by the retirement of Mr. Fraser, who will now Ye all his time to his dental practice. The business is nued under the same name.

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THE clause requiring that all branch shops belongis to chemists and druggists shall be under the management: a duly qualified assistant, added to the Pharmacy Acts An idment Bill by Lord Milltown, has caused some conside le consternation among the persons who would be affecte by it. Therc is reason to believe that these constite a numerous class, and what evidence has come before us ds us to believe that branch shops are more frequently thal of under the control of unqualified assistants. Of course $w$ se the term "unqualified" strictly in its legal sense. Nodbt many of these unqualified managers are extremely co e-
te ; perbaps they are on the average, as some of them er ently believe themselves to be, more reliable than their di maed rivals. We cannot help sympathising with these thatened managers. They have been led into their present pction in consequence of the laxity with which the Phar$\mathrm{m} y$ Act has been administered by those to whom it is er isted, and they naturally claim some sort of vested inte it in their usurpation. But it must be remembed on the other hand that they have been actin illegally all these twenty years. All the Lords of the Law have declared that the unqualified perst who conducts the sale of a scheduled poison thereby re ers himself liable to a penalty under the Pharmacy Act. T effect of Lord Milltown's clause would be, not to take avy the manager's personal liability in the cases where alalified persons are employed as superintendents of biuch shops, but to make it penal for chemists and druggists tcmploy such persons in that capacity. This would make it asier to ensure a rigid observance of the principle of ti Pharmacy Act. The prosecution of assistants by the Prmaceutical Society would have been an unpleasant $d v$, though we think in vindication of the Act it ought to his been undertaken; but the same objection would not li gainst the prosecution of the employers, and those who bleve in the possibility of getting a really effective Pharmy Act are bound to welcome this substantial instalment onsistency on the part of the legislature.
Te are sorry for the unqualified managers ; they have a rit to do what they can to avert their own disestablishnht; and we compliment them on the energy they are dolaying. But we cannot see what they can reasonably be to get. They have drifted into their present position, it irue; but it has been with the Pharmacy Act in face of m for the past twenty years, and they must see that this ss them on a different footing to assistants who were rtaken by new legislation. For, as we have shown, Lord Itown's clause, though it certainly concerns them, is ected against their employers, and not against them. To ce them on the register without examination, or to grant m a modified examination, would be grossly unfair to all er unqualified assistants who might not happen to occupy position of managers of branches, and would be still re unfair to assistants who have qualified by regular exination. Their proper course, if they wish to retain such jitions as those which they at present occupy, is to prepare examination with the least possible delay.

## ABUSES IN HOSPITALS.

Fore the next Hospital Sunday collection comes round ne of the authorities of those institutions ought to either swer the charges which have been brought against them, set about reforming the abuses alleged to exist. Just six inths ago, when the winter session of the medical schools s about commencing, appeared a novel with a purpose, by anonymous author, under the title of "St. Bernard's." The ries of needless examinations of, and opcrations on, ients; of the therapeutic experiments and clinical leces, for the sake of which treatment is callously retarded; painful surgical demonstrations, unnecessary and, indeed, urious to the patients; of students' blunders kindly covered their teachers for the credit of the hospital-these and h-like horrors, woven together into a romance, excited a od deal of indignation of two kinds. On the one side the oscribers to the hospitals were inclined to ask whether ir money was not being put to improper uses, while, on other hand, the medical journals and the apologists for medical profession treated the book with the con-
temptuous sneer which they are always ready to bestow on sentimental faddists, as they regard any who venture to criticise their proceedings or their methods.
The form of a romance was, perhaps, hardly the one best adapted to enlist the sympathies of the more scrious investigators into our hospital system. One critic very reasonably asked, "How much is romance and reality in this remarkable book ?" and it was clear that no onc could base an argument on the authority of a romance, assured though he might be that the story was based on fact. It must always remain doubtful whether the particular assertion adopted might turn out to be basis or superstructure. Now, however, this response is no longer available to the hospital defenders. The author of "St. Bernard's," in a new book, entitled " Dying Scientifically," has published what he calls a key to his earlier work, in which, by a scries of quotations from medical journals, clinical lectures, and the speeches of high authorities in the medical world, hc drives home his attack. Esculapius Scalpel, the assumed name of the writer, who still retains his anonymity, tells us he has not quarrelled with his profession nor with his Alma Mater. He loves his daily work as a medical man in large practicc, and has no desire to earn his bread by any better business. He declares that he is entirely orthodox, and daily sends his patients their usual six ounces of regulation physic, and he disclaims fraternal association with homœopathic, anti-vaccinationist, or hydropathic heretics. But his orthodoxy is evidently not so rigid as to interrupt his view of the just proportions between the profession and the public in which the benefits conferred by the pablic hospitals of this country should be divided.
Among the hundred or more justificatory extracts collected in "Dying Scientifically" there are plenty of instances of what most subscribers to hospitals will regard as a gross abuse of the opportunities which those institutions offer. Herc for instance, is the record of a professor of materia medica, who reports on a series of experimental administrations of nitroglycerine, ethyl nitrite, sodium nitrite, cobalt yellow, and other potent drugs on fifteen persons. In the discussion on this paper the professor said that none of his observations had any bearing on disease, though the subjects of his experiments were not always in perfect health. That seems to mean that he had tried the experiments on patients who came under his power, without any vicw of curing them of the particular diseasc for which they were being ostensibly treated. Ilere is a quotation from Di. Ringer's Handbook of Therapeutics:-"Dr Rickards and I gave to an habitual drunkard, making him 'dead drunk,' 12 oz . of good brandy in a single dose without the smallest reduction of temperature, . . . In a boy aged ten who had never in his life before taken alcohol in any form, I found through a large number of observations a constant and decided reduction of temperature." Dr. Neu dörfer, in a treatise on the "Surgical Treatment of Wounds," says, "I am in a position to assert that out of the hundreds of amputations of limbs and resections of large joints performed in the last few ycars a considerable percentage have been undertaken only to glorify Lister's method, or in consequence of its influence, and might be omitted without any detriment to the patient." A medical journal in 1882 reports a case of hysterical catalepsy. The doctor says, "In the evening the soles of her feet were tickled and pricked with a pin; this was followed by the convulsive movements above described; she shrieked and fell back with eyes open, and was conscious. Next day she was in much the same condition. Pricking the soles of the feet, \&c., produced a fit. On the following day the convulsions could not be so easily induced." Here is an extract from a clinical lecture reported in the Brit. Med 2

Journ. of January 7, 1882. The lecturer says of the patient, "He was in a miserable condition from pain and irritation. The eruption had been out about ten days, and it affected the mucous membrane of his mouth as well as the skin. You may remember that we kept him in bed for a few days before we used the magician's wand, in order that all might see that there was no natural tendency to amelioration." Here is an almose incredible record of a day's treatment of a patient who died of "acute rheumatism with hyperpyrexia" on July 12, 1885. The full account was given in the Lancet: "1.30 A.M., bath at $50^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$.; complete coma; 1.35 , enema of brandy; 1.45, ditto; 2.16, taken from bath to bed, dried, and transferred to another bed; 2.38, enema of hot coffee; 3, another; 3.30, hypodermic injection of ether; 7, another; 7.30 , enema of 30 grains of quinine, and ice-bag to spine and head; 8.30, another hypodermic injection of ether; 9.30 , severe vomiting, stethoscoped, mustard-plasters applied to chest and turpentine stupes over bases of lungs; 10, hypodermic injection of ether; 10.30, another iced bath; 11.10, hypodermic injection of ether; 11.25, enema of brandy; 11.35, taken out of bath; 11.40, brandy and beef tea by stomach pump; 1.30 P.m., injection of ether; 2, another; 3.10, stethoscoped and percussed; 3.20, apomorphia, subcutaneously injected, followed by vomiting, and at 3.50 by death." To say that the poor wretch died of "acute rheumatism with hyperpyrexia" may be the correct medical term to use under the circumstances, but it is hardly the expression an ordinary Englishmen would use for it. A steam-engine could not stand such a course of treatment.

We need not add to the instances we have quoted. Those given in "Dying Scientifically" could be matched in the medical journals almost any week, and the question arises whether the system should be permitted to continue. The writer of this book quotes from several medical authorities to show that they deliberately claim the right of using the hospitals and the patients who come to them first of all for the purposes of education. And they would go even further. In 1881 the Metropolitan Counties Branch of the Medical Association discussed whether they could not utilisc the workhouse infirmaries for clinical teaching; but one speaker eaid, "No House of Commons would allow it; the attempt would be opposed by all the Radicals." These frank advocates of the medical side know very well that there is no chance for their cynical views if the question for and against them is openly stated. Moreover, there is no serious danger that medical education would be injuriously interfered with by the triumph of humanitarianism. The author of "Dying Scientifically" gives proof that students can take their diplomas with honours without knowing how to recognise a case of measles, and it is hardly doubtful whether a showy familiarity with the rarer exhibitions of disease can suffice as a substitute for such elementary knowledge.

Realising Bankrupts' Businesses.

The case of Mr. Rippon, the Islington chemist, whose first meeting of creditors is reported in our columns, affords another illustration of the mischief caused to creditors' interests by the too hasty realisation of the debtors' estates. In this case, according to the views of the creditors, there was a wellestablished business in a good position for trade, and it was confidently affirmed that, had sufficient notice been given, from 200l. to 300l. could have been obtained for it. The Official Receiver, however, has accepted an offer of $50 l$. for the lease, and the whole value of the business itself goes by the board, and with it the prospects of the creditors getting a dividend, which in such a case as this might have been reasonably expected. Surely the creditors have ground to be indignant at this official disregard of their interests, and at the waste of their property; and steps should be taken to
forcibly impress upon bankruptcy officials the impe: ive duty of studying trade-creditors' wishes in matters of ach importance to them.

Local Ansasthetics. Our German correspondent has called atte ion to the remarks which Professor Liebreicre cently made at a meeting of the Berlin PI io logical Society on the action of erythrophloine as a cal anæsthetic. The property which cocaine possesses is $k$ no means confined to itself-indeed, there are a number of ub. stances which, when injected subcutaneously, give rise j localised anæsthesia in the immediate neighbourhood of he place where they are injected. Antipyrin, sal-ammo ac, some tannates, resorcin, ferric chloride, and other substices have this action, although there is neither chemical or physiological similarity between them. They possess, 1 w ever, this property in common, that they all have a corlive action on the tissues-in other words, induce a kin of alteration of molecular structure. Most alkaloids, in he cases where they possess a local anæsthetic action, act i he same way, as, for instance, erythrophlœeine; but cocainis a solitary exception to the rule, inasmueh as it is a cal anæsthetic, but does not corrode the tissues. When apied subcutaneously to man, the above substances either prcice no localised anæsthesia, or one which is very imperfect.

## Gersomalitics.

Mr. F. J. Ryall has opened a chemist's businesat 40 Portland Road, Stoke, Devonport.

Professor Tilden, F.R.S., of Mason's College, will iis year be the president of the chemistry section of the Br sh Association.
The will and two codicils, dated respectively Augus 31, 1887, September 9, 1887, and December 22, 1887, of 1 r . Francis Jonathan Clarke, J.P., chemist and druggist, nd proprietor of Clarke's Blood Mizture, of Bracebridge ll, Lincoln, who died at Bournemouth on January 28 last as been proved at Lincoln; the gross personalty being swor at 27,441l. 0 s. $6 d$. The testator leaves an annuity of 100 to his mother, and one of 3002. to his wife. He leaves 200 to his friend and executor, Alderman Wm. Beard, of Linc $n$, 502. to the Very Rev. Canon Croft, 2002. to his cy Frederick Brown, 1002. to his clerk Henry Passey, and a m not exceeding 2001. to be distributed among his staff, a a is executors may see fit. The executors, Wm. Beard, Tho as Platt, and Frederick Brown, are to conduct his businessin Lincoln and elsewhere, and are empowered to continuele deceased's weekly payments to certain poor persons as shall see fit. The whole residue of his real and pcrsal estate is left in trust to be divided equally between is children, who, being infants, he desires shall be bronght p in the tenets of the Roman Catholic faith, which theit present profess.

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Mr. Oglesby, chemist, of Barnsley, has secured the 1 . tract of the Barnsley Board of Guardians for drugs id chemicals.
Messis. Kaltenbach \& Schmitz, of 46 New Bri Street, E.C., and Liverpool, have opened at Hamburg a det for the sale of Mediterranean and Cuban sponges to wh sale dealers in Germany.
Messrs. William Edwards \& Son's catalogue of patt medicines, sundries, \&c., gives net prices throughout. $t$ was inadvertently stated in a recent note that such pri ${ }^{3}$ are confined to the patent medicine part.

Tife Barcelona Exhibition.-Out of 30,000 exhibit; who have taken spacc at this exhibition only 80 are Engli. The English ambassador at Madrid reports to the Fore Office that the opening will probably have to be postpor! till the first week in May on account of the unfinished st: of the exhibition.

## BENTLEY TESTIMONIAL FUND.

Ve ve received the following from the Honorary Secretary :-
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## Exporting Chloride of Lime

In the Queen's Bench Division on Saturday, the case of McIlwraith \& Co.v. McEacharn \& Co. was tried by Mr. Jastice Manisty without a jury. It was a dispute with regard to the packing of some chtoride of lime, the action being brought for alleged breach of contract.

Mr. Fox appeared for plaintiffs, and Mr. Thomas Terrel for the defendant.
According to counsel's opening statement, both parties carry on business in London. By a contract dated May 1, 1886, the defendants were to deliver 30 tons of chloride of lime in strong hardwood casks, f.o.b. in London, and sufficiently packed for an Australian voyage. When, however, the ship carrying it arrived at Rockhampton it was found that the chloride of lime had burst the casks; hence the present action. It appeared that when the goods arrived in London from Lancashire, where it was manufactured, the second mate of the Advancement, which was the sailing-ship by which it was to go to Rockhampton, reported "old casks," and the defendants, to enable plaintiffs to gct a clean bill of lading, gave them an indemnity, undertaking, in consideration of their accepting receipt by Advancement, to pay on demand any claiu that might arise, and to indemnify Messrs. McIlwraith \& Co. against all consequences. The plaintiffs attached a good deal of importance to that document, as also to an admission on the part of the defendants that the chloride of lime was not sufficiently packed for a voyage to Australia by a sailing-vessel. The damages, which were originally laid by Messrs. McIlwraith at 100l., were ultimately, in the event of liability, agreed at $50 l .10 \mathrm{~s}$.
The p'aintiff, having proved his order of May 1, was crossexamined by Mr. Terrel. He said he had not had any experience of thic properties of chloride of lime before this occasion. He had shipped other parcels since. He was aware that it is a substance that is particularly deteriorated by moisture, and which, when it becomes heated, gives off chlorine gas, which le believed might rapidly destroy the hoops of the casks, causing them to burst open. IIe had himself shipped chloride of lime to Sydney. He believed that chloride of lime made in cold weather was liable, when it became hot, to give off chlorine gas and burst the casks.

Did you see these casks which are in dispute in this action? -No.

Do you know what hardwood casks are as the term is used in the trade?-Yes.

IIardwood casks are made out of sugar-cask staves that have becn used and hooped together again?-Yes.

Do you know that hardwood casks are not air-tight?-No, I was not aware of that.

Have you ever seen a hardwood cask that was air-tight? Well, I imagine petroleum casks are hardwood.

Do you mean to say that petroleum casks are recognised in the chloride of lime trade as hardwood casks?-I think so -yes.

Arc they not always specified as petroleum barrels?-I suppose they would be, but none the less are they hardwood.
Are even petroleum barrels air-tight?-As I told you, we shipped 15 tons in petrolecm casks, and that arrived in splendid condition.

Did you buy that as packed in petroleum barrels?-Yes.
And you knew they were something different to hardwood casks?-In point of size.

And in tightness ?-That I don't know.
Now, with the exception of that other 15 tons that you mentioned, have you had any other experience?-Oh, yes.

Have you cver kept packages for a considerable time? No; we simply buy and ship out.

Don't you know that it is usual to consign chloride of lime by steamships when it is going any distance, because of the dangers of keeping it ?-I know that it would be impossible to send it direct to Queensland by steamer.

Then you would pack them in tin or lead lined cases, would you not?-Yes.

And when you have them thus you specify them, don't you?-Yes.

And when you buy in tin or lead lined packages you ya good deal more?-Yes.

Would you have expected to buy chloride of lime a the time this contract was made at $6 l .10 s .6 d$. a ton b.b. London packed in tin or lead lined cases?-No.

The difference in price would have been considerat:Yes.

Re-examined: Had you any notice or knowledge athat time that to pack in hardwood casks was other than a I per method of packing the chloride of lime?-None whatev

And you stipulated in your contract that the goods wh to be sufficiently packed?-Yes.

Now, when you give the namc of a ship, is it ust to describe it as being a steamship or otherwise?-No, it inot. Sometimes they put "S.S." after its name.
Mr. Edward Huxley, plaintiffs' buyer, said he made ot the order on May 1. It was not usual in such an ord to specify whether the goods were to be shipped by am or sailing ship. Goods were more frequently ser to Australia by sailing-vessels than steamships. Before chllide of lime was sent out to Australia he received notice frot be mate that the casks were old, and in consequence he ser be defendants the form of indemnity dated May 25. At bat time there were no steamers plying between Liverpoo nd Queensland. Chloride of lime was shipped in sailing-ve els to Australia. Ite could call to mind an instance. Somicas sent out in the Ella last year. She sailed, he believed, me time in June. The plaintiffs shipped it.

Cross-examined by Mr. Terrel: The duration of the $\rfloor a^{\prime} s$ voyage was 142 days. The 30 tons went by the only li' of ships that will take chloride of lime.

Do not the others refuse to take it because, no matt in what it is packed, the packets sometimes burst?-Theylive never given us the reason.
Have you ever bought chloride of lime in tin-line or lead-lined packages?-Since the Advancement shipmerwe have.
Is that because you have found out that it would nego in hardwood casks?-It was principally at the suggestic of the people who sold us the goods.
You paid 6l. 12s. $6 l$. for chloride of lime in hard od casks; how much more a ton did you pay for it in tin ed packets?-Roughly, say 3l. more.
You bave since found out that hardwood casks woulnot do for an Australian voyage ?-Judging from the rest of the Adrancement shipment.
This concluded the plaintiffs' case.
Mr. Terrel said his contention would be that the plaitfs sent the goods by a sailing-vessel at their own risk, aud at they were packed in strong hardwood casks as spec d. With regard to the letter of indemnity, they said that be meaning of it simply was that, in consideration of Mcrs. McIlwraith accepting the mate's receipt with the words $1 d$ casks" on it, they would indemnify them against all nsequences of their so doing.

Mr. C. N. IIake, F.I.C., gave evidence as to the prope cs of chloride of lime, as already suggested by counsel's cisn examination.
Cross-examined by Mr. Fox, witness said it was not 20 . lutely certain that chloride of lime, even if packed in in packages, would arrive in condition.
It is only a question of degree ?-No, not exactly.
Do I understand, if packed in hardwood casks, they ist necessarily burst ?-If time were given, I am of opinion :y must, and even under ordinary conditions.
Re-examined: ls the result of your opinion that if ie casks be tin or lead lived they have a better chance?-I:
Mr. Alfred Edward Smith, manager for Messrs. Hutchinn \& Co., of Widnes, chloride of lime manufacturers, saicue had been in their employ for twenty years. They made $d$ packed about 60 tons a week on the average. His in actually manufactured the chlonide of lime in ques ${ }^{1}$. The casks callcd hardwood were well known in the tr $c_{0}$. When hardwood casks were specified a manufacturer $k$ w exactly what he was to supply. A hardwood cask is practically an old sugar hogshead rebuilt. It was not in air-tight package. He recollected the particular lot of gis being sent out; they were packed in the usual hardxd casks, and werc well packed.
In what vessels is chloride of lime usually sent ? -Ne y all our trade is to America by steamer.

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 TesN , under the conditions of a long journey in the hold of ve 1 to Rockhampton, what would you expect of hardtoo casks filled with chloride of lime ?-Packages that avi emained in our works for some months during the am were invariably found to burst. The hoops become tt and the cask gives way.
D ; moisture affect it?-Yes. Temperature particularly, th s , is the mischief.
W n you keepit in your place, in what condition do you eelt?-It is very seldom that we store it in the wareous nsk
C s.examined by Mr. Fox: Your chief experience is in ip ints to America, is it not ?-Yes, most of our stuff goes er
C: you tell me of any steamer that will carry this stuff to us lia? -No .
0 o Queensland ?-No.
D't you know that the only regular line of steamers to ne land refused to take it ?-No.
D you know where Rockhampton was? - No.
D you think it was in America ?-No, I did not know ee it was.
Sibat you did not know these goods were for Australia a -No .
MJustice Manisty: Hardwood casks are never lined, are ey-No, unless it is with paper.
$\mathbb{N}$ Thomas Clarkson, the secretary to Golding, Davis \& imited), of Widnes, was the next witness. He gave ce bearing out generally that of Mr. Smith.
Cinsel on both sides having addressed the Court,
Mustice Manisty gave judgment. He accepted the asuction which was put upon the indemnity by the deints, and upon the evidence he had come to the conclunat the chloride of lime was packed as well as it could i pardwood casks, such as were ordered. The defendants d ade an ill-advised admission with regard to the stuff ting sufficiently packed for a voyage to Australia in a lis-vessel, but he must take it, he supposed, that they did ean to admit themselves out of Court, and his judgment c , therefore, be for the defendants, with costs.

## Sulphate of Ammonia Shipment.

the Queen's Bench Division of the High Court of e, on March 17, the case of Smith $v$. Maud came before - ustice Hawkins and a jury. The plaintiff, Mr. John , of Leadenhall Street, sued Messrs. Maud \& Co., of ing, to recover 262l. for breach of contract in noniry of a quantity of sulphate of ammonia. The deat denied the existence of a contract, and counterfor $17 l .16 \mathrm{~s} .1 \mathrm{~d}$. for some casks supplied.
Kemp, Q.C., and Mr. Bremner appeared for the iff; Mr. Winch, Q.C., and Mr. Fillan for the dents.
appeared from the evidence for the plaintiff that in 1887, the defendants were employed to provide casks quantity of sulphate of ammonia, and to convey about -eight puncheons of the sulphate by lighter to the India Docks for shipment to Demerara. The defendants led the casks, and headed them up when filled with nia; but while they were being convcyed to the docks arge sank, the plaintiff alleged, through the negligence e defendants' servants. A large portion of the sulphate monia was washed away and the remainder rendered is. The plaintiff, therefore, brought this action to Maud, the value of the gocds.
Maud, the defendant, denied that the accident was d through the negligence of his servants, and asserted the plaintiff ordered the casks of him, and authorised 0 employ a man, named Creed, to lighter the ammonia, le therefore denied that the lighterman was responsible he damage. In cross-examination he admitted that 1 was insolvent; also that Creed made out the account ghterage to him, and that plaintiff's name did not ar on the invoice.
e jury found a verdict for the plaintiff for the full
amount claimed, and for the defendants on the counterclaim.

## Sequel to a " Hop Bitters" Case.

At the Bradford County Court on Tucsday Mr. J. R. Armistead, botanical chemist, Lowerhead Row, Leeds, sued Messrs. Humphries \& Co., manufacturing chemists, Low Moor, for the sum of $8 l .19 s$., being the amount he had pail to the Hop Eitters Company for selling an article, supplied by the defendants, which was allcged to be an infringement of the patent rights of the Hop Bitters Company.

The case for the plaintiff was that in November, 1886, he was induced to purchase from Messrs. Humphries \& Co. a dozen bottles of hop bittcrs, on their guaranteeing that the article was not an infringement of the rights of the Hop Bitters Company. In consequence of having sold the defendants' bottles, however, the Hop Bitters Company commenced legal proceedings against him in October last, with the result that he tendered an apology and paid their claim for damages. The plaintiff therefore sought to recover the amount from the defendants, on whose behalf it was contended that they had not copied or infringed the trade-mark of the Hop Bitters Company, their bottles simply being labelled "Hop Tonic Bitters," with their own trade-mark, name, and address, while the style of the bottle was the same as that adopted by them before the date of the company's patent.

His Honour (Mr. Gates, Q.C.) said the plaintiff had failed to prove that he was compelled to pay damages to the Hop Bitters Company, and he doubted whether even the unwary could be taken in by the defendants' bott'es, and there was no evidence as to which was "first in the field." He did not think the plaintiff had shown that he was justified in paying the claim of the Hop Bitters Company, and therefore he could not recover the amount from the defendants. A verdict for the defendants, with costs, was then entered.

Poisoning Cases.-Poisoning with camphor is somewhat unusual. We hear by the last mail of a fatal case in Australia, the victim being a young barmaid at Williamstown. Mr. C. R. Blackett, Government analytical chemist, deposed at the inquest that he had made an examination of the contents of the stomach. He had found an odour of camphor, but not more than would arise from the taking of one or two grains. He could discover no other poison. Dr. Honman, who attended the deceased at the time of her death, deposed that he believed the cause of death was camphor poisoning, and the lady with whom deceased had been employed stated that she had seen her chewing camphor. Death was immediately due to congcstion of the brain, produced by the camphor.-At an inquest held at South Hornsey last week by Dr. D. Thomas on the body of a licensed victualler's manager, who had died from the effects of an overdose of chlorodyne, the Coroner remarked that it was a patent medicine containing, amongst other things, morphia, prussic acid, Indian hemp, treacle, and peppermint. A medical man who gave evidence said it was a good allround medicine if used carefully, otherwise it was very dangerous. Deceased, who had regarded chlorodyne as a panacea for all human ills, had taken 240 drops, bringing on paralysis of the heart.-On Monday morning an enginekeeper at Pumperston Dilworks, Linlithgowshire, fell into a pond containing liquid ammonia, and the effect of the liquid was such that, although he was immediately taken out medical aid was of no avail. - Mr. Edward Fayrer, a retired medical practitioner, iormelly in practice at Droitwich, died on Saturday at Portsmouth from the effects of an overdose of morphia taken to procure ship.-On Monday, Rebecca Marshall (19), servant to Mr. E. B. S. Perkins, L.S.A., Exeter, committed suicide by drinking a quantity of methylated liniment of aconite which she had taken from her master's surgery. Every effort was made by Mr. Perkins, assisted by Mr. Alfred Perkins, for the girl's recovery, but she died in a short time after the poison was taken.-On Saturday Dr. Danford Thomas held an inquiry relative to the death of Louisa Lloyd, who had for some time been weak and debilitated, and was despondent in consequence. Her daughter had bought some carbolic acid for inhaling purposes, and Mrs. Lloyd, having got possession of this bottle, swallowed its contents.

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Notice to Retail Buyers:-1t should be remenbered that the quotations in this section are invariably the lovest net cash prices actually paid for large quantities in bulk. In many cases allowances have to be added before ordinary prices can be ascertained. Frequently goods must be picked and sorted to suit the demands of the retail trade, causing much labour and the accumulation of rejections, not all of which are suitable, even for manufacturing purposes.
It should also be recollected that for many articles the range of quality is very wide.

## 42 Cannon Street, E.O., March 22.

EXTREME quietness reigns in nearly all departments of the drug and chemical trades. The severe weather to some extent checked business at the beginning of the week, and little is now done in anticipation of the Easter holidays. The principal changes in the chemical market are a slight reduction in quinine, and a further fall in the value of quicksilver, and, consequently, of mercurials. Camphor is also receding. Opium and its derivatives rery flat. At the drysaltery sales a slight advance occurred in shellac, and this has since been accentuated, but turmeric continues to decline. Spices flat and mostly lower, pepper excepted, which is firm or dearer. The drug sales passed off with great languor, and the alterations to be recorded are unimportant. Senna sold above valuations, and fine vanilla beans are somewhat dearer, but common varieties command less money. Cascarilla, Guinea grains, nux vomica, and balsam copaiba, are all in a very firm position. Saffron is also scarce and dear, and French lavender and otto of rose are firmly held. Codliver oil has been very considerably brought down oy bear speculators; insect-flowers, cardamoms, gamboge, ipecacuanha, and gum benjamin are more or less weaker. Musk is almost unchanged.
E. Merck $v$. Lehn \& Fink: The Defendants VictoRIoUS - We have received a telegram from New York, dated March 21, announcing that the grand jury upon whom devolved the duty of considering whether the action of Mr. E. Merck, of Darmstadt, against Messrs. Lehn \& Fink, of New York, should or should not be sent for trial have unanimously dismissed the case against the defendants. It will be remembered that the New York potice magistrate decided that there was sufficient evidence to send the casewhich was a criminal action for counterfeiting the plaintiff's labels-to the grand jury. The action has now been finally decided against Mr. E. Merck.

Importation of Pharmaceutical Preparations into Japan.-Important alterations are reported to have been made in the regulations affecting the importation of pharmacentical articles into Japan. Hitherto all medicinal drugs and preparations brought into that country have been subject to examination by the Japanese Government, and, if found to answer the tests, were stamped with an official seal as " fit for medical use." Japanese subjects wcre not allowed to sell any articles except those beaing that scal, and all others were therefore practically unsaleable. This regulation has now been abolished, and in future all preparations made according to the Japanese Pharmacopocia will receive the official seal, while upon all other pharmaceutical preparations it will be mercly stated according to what official formula they have been preparcd. This is intended to have the effect of creating upon native buyers the impression that only those preparations made according to the requirements of the Japanese Pharmacopoia are genuine. A copy of the Latin edition of this Pharmacopceia has been supplied to each importer of foreign drugs and chemicals.

The Soudan Trade.-The Britisli Consul at Suakin strongly urges the Government to allow the resumption of commercial relations with the Soudan. The natives are said to be anxious to be again permitted to trade freely, and if the obstacles now raised on the British side were removed, our Consul anticipates that the products of equatorial Africa would soon again be brought to our markets. In 1883 about 57,0002 . worth of gum were shipped from Suakin, in 1886 only 1,600 ., and last year about 5,0002 .

AcID (Citric) unchanged in price. A fair ing for American account is reported. From 18. $6 \frac{1}{2} d$. to $6_{4}^{3} d$. per lb. would be the nearest quotation.

ACID (OXALIC).-There is no improvement in tiprice, which remains at $3 \frac{1}{2} d$. to $3 \frac{3}{4} d$. per lb., but a slightly jetter business is reported at these rates. Sal Acctos quiet, $5 \frac{1}{2} d$. to $5_{4}^{3} d$. per lb.

ACID (Tartaric) very dull. English, $18.6 \frac{1}{2} d_{.} ;$.reign $1 s .6 d$. to $1 s .6 \frac{1}{8} d$. per lb

Aloes.-At to-day's auctions 78 cases Cape alot were offered, of which 48 were sold at unchanged prices- 8 . for good bright hard, $21 s .6 d$, to $20 s$. $6 d$. for slightly dros; and trom 20s. down to 16 s . for fair, partly drossy, to du The best lots were bought in at 25 s . per cwt., nosally. Curaço-108 packages, mostly bought in, good red ler, at at the nominal price of 100 s ; some common coarse Cap aloes sold at 20 s. per cwt. Several parcels of East Indian alc were offered, among them 35 boxes of new importation, whi sold at $6 l .2 s .6 \mathrm{l}$. to $6 l$. $5 s$, for good well-flavoured red, ancll. 58 . per cwt. for darker quality. Hard hepatic aloes it kins sold at 80 s . per cwt.

Alum.-A very good business has been done at $61 . \%$ ton for ground and $5 l .5 s$. for lump alum.

Ambergris.-Several parcels were offered, but notig of fine quality. For one tin half dark, half pale and spious, from New Zealand, an offer of 40 s . per oz. was refused

Ammonia Salis.-Carbonate does not improve, $4 d$. rib., less a heavy discount, still remaining the quotation Sal ammoniac better at 34 s. per cwt. for first and $32 s$. p ewt. for second quality. Sulphate has become easier all ond, and now quotes as follows:-London, Beckton, 1c 58.; grey, 24 per cent., 12l. 3s. 9d.; Hull, spot, 11l. 17s. \% to 11l. 18s. 9 d. ; Leith, spot, 11l. 15s. to 11 l .17 s . 6 d . pt ton. The export demand, especially for France and Gerany, remains very quiet. At the current quotations buyi are very scarce, and the prospects of a large spring deind, which was so confidentiy anticipated by some, appea o be more remote than ever.

AnIse.-Star anise quiet. A parcel of good well-flav red, but broken, seed was bought in at 85s. per cwt. ]: 48 cases spurious star anise (Japanese) 258 . per cwt. was ug. gested as the price, the lot being bought in at 30 s. pe pot. F'rom Valparaiso we have just received a consig ent of 78 packages Chilian anise, a variety which is $n$ so frequently met with on our market now as it was some jars ago.
AnNATto remains without improvement. Ratherark new Ceylon seed is held at $2 \frac{1}{2} d$. per $1 \mathrm{~b}, 2 \frac{1}{4} d$. bzing re ied, while tor another lot an offer of $1 \frac{3}{4} d$. per 1 b . was dec ed. Holl annatto neglected; good bright Pará bought at $1 s .6 d$. to $1 s .8 d$. per lb.

ARSENIC.-Again dearer at $12 s$. to 12s. 6d. for ite powder on the spot.

BALSAMS.-Copaiba remains extremely firm. Twhots were shown to-day, but were taken out; we believe 1at $2 s .3 d$. per lb. is asked for good bright Maranham. $m$, unaltered at $4 s .6 d$. per lb., with very little demand, ree casks liquid Storax sold without reserve at 50 s. per ewt

Bromide of Potassium. - Firm at 1 s. 6d. to $1.7 d$. per lb. There seems no indication of any alteration in ce.

Buchu,- Round leaves can be bought very chly indeed; a parcel of good green leaves, slightly stalky lld at $3 d$, to $4 d$. per lb., while for dull and stained 1 es $2 d$. was accepted.

Calumba.-Large quantities, mostly of inferior quty, are still being offered, and meet with very little incry. Fair yellowish native picked root, sold at 213 . to 248 ; ; inary darkish, slightly wormy, at 13 s . to 15 s . per cwt. or fairly good washed root, 35 s. per cwt. is still required.
CAMPHOR.-There is very little doing either in cru or refined, and prices remain at our last quotations. It is id that $72 s .6 d$. per cwt. was accepted for Japan camphor : w days ago.
Cantirarides.-Chinese flies remain neglected and cl p. Of 9 barrels Russian cantharides shown at to-day's auc as
only of good quality sold at $5 s .6 d$. per lb . The rest was
in at $5 s .9 \mathrm{l}$. to $6 s$. per lb .
C. DAMOMS.-At to-day's auctions 230 packages were ifel, the smaller part of which sold at a decided, if somepha rregular, decline, generally from $2 d$. to $3 d$. cheaper. evt cases Mangalore went very cheaply, fair smooth lue pale, at $2 s$. to $2 s .1 \mathrm{~d}$. per 1 b . Ceylon Malabar realised: aed $n$ to bold good pale, $1 s .11 d$. ; ditto, but smaller, $1 s .8 d$. $013 d$. ; fair to good medium yellow, 1 s . $6 d$. to $1 \mathrm{~s} .7 d$.; ma ditto, 1s. $4 d . ;$ brownish and partly specky, 1s. $3 d$. ; ma lull and warty to specky, $11 \frac{1}{2} d$. to $9 \frac{1}{2} d$. ; very small arknd mouldy, 6d. Mysore, fine pale smooth bleached, $2 s$. 2 Ld.; good pale long, 1 s. $10 d . ;$ medium to bold ditto, 6 ; very small, 11 d . to 1 s . per lb. Wild Ceylon sold at . $\frac{1}{}$ to $1 s .5 d$. ; dull and small, $10 d$. per 1 b . Seed, $1 \mathrm{~s} .3 d$. 15 l . per lb. In the periods between October 1 and eb ary 23 the shipments of cardamoms from Ceylon have eer $-1887-8$, 159,430 lbs. ; 1886-7, 148,147 lbs. ; 1885-6, $2,0 \mathrm{lbs}$; 1884-5, 63,903 lbs.. As regards British India, e ures relating to cardamoms are :-

|  |  | 1886-7 | 1885-6 | 1884-5 | 1883-4 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | lbs. | lbs. | lbs. | lbs. |
| Jlorts .. | .. | 295,446 | 299,324 | 264,750 | 198,007 |
| joorts .. | .. | 151,273 | 62,218 | 19,795 | 7,553 |

C carilla.-A small parcel of 15 bales realised very gl rices, good silvery quill to brownish and mouldy ditto on 33s. to 26s. per cwt.
C sia Fistula.-Pods were not offered to-cay, but four sf Java pulp, imported viâ Amsterdam, which have free y appeared in sale, were knocked down "without see" at 10 s . per cwt.
Cimomiles remain firm, but with small transactions, $6 l .10 \mathrm{~s}$. per cwt. being the price for prime Belgian.
CHONA.-The usual assortment of South American r) was offered for sale to-day, and a few lots here and were disposed of, Lima at a fresh decline; $2 d$. to $2 \frac{1}{4} d$. oken slightly mossy quill. The limit of $2 d$. per lb. tor mainder of the parcel seemed unobtainable. A parcel (tivated Bolivian Calisaya bark, thin flat and unsightly es, stated to contain $4 \cdot 70$ per cent. quinine sulphate and fer cent. other alkaloids, was shown, but not sold. Some lots sold, fair but thin sound, $1 s .9 d$. ; damaged, $1 s .2 d$. $3 d$. ; ordinary broken quill, $1 s$. per lb. Maracaibo sold © $2 \frac{1}{2} d$. to $7 \frac{1}{2}$ d. per lb. ; and 5 cases Ledgeriana (Java) tged quills, at $7 \frac{1}{2} d$. per lb. The following tigures refer to ipments of cinchona from Ceylon between the periods of er 1 and February $23:-1887-8,3,711,397$ lbs.; 1886-7, 872 lbs. ; 1885-6, 5,882,029 lbs. ; 1884-5, 3,881,262 lbs. ding to the latest mail advices the Colombo market very quiet, both buyers and sellers holding off. No sales had yet been held. In good barks some transis had taken place, but twigs were almost unsaleable. exports from British India (chiefly Madras) have been ollows : - Season 1886-7, 1,286,900 lbs. ; 1885-6,
40 lbs. ; 1884-5 745,730 40 lbs. ; 1884-5, 745,730 lbs. ; 1883-4, 306,419 lbs. The ts of cinchona from Java in the periods between July 1 nencement of the season) and January 31 have been as vS :-

| 1887-8 | - | Private Pl. $\frac{1}{2}$ kilos. 1,808,880 |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gort. Pl. } \\ \frac{1}{2} \text { kilos. } \\ 467,511 \end{gathered}$ | Total <br> $\frac{1}{2}$ kilos. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1886-7 |  |  |  | 2,276,391 |  |
| 1885-6 | - |  | 1,063,821 |  | 399,391 | 1,462,612 |
| 1884-5 | . |  | 567,516 | 297,082 | 864,598 |
|  | . |  | 618,672 | 261,172 | 879,844 |
|  | - |  | 393,082 | 359,027 | 752,109 |

CA Leaves.-Only a few parcels were offered at toauctions; one of these, of five cases, together about s., small and dark-ccloured leaves, was bought in at $1 s$. cases were from $1 d$. to $2 \frac{1}{2} d$. per lb. being offered. cases were imported per East Indian steamer, and ed from Jark would seem to indicate that they were Truxillo leaves sold at $1 s .3 d$. per lb. CAINE without alteration at the prices last quoted. For 's auctions 150 1-oz. bottles of Boehringer's hydrote were catalogued, bat the lot was taken out.
LOCYNTH steady, but without alteration. Fair pale

Turkish apple, rather seedy, is held at $1 s .4 d$. to $1 s .6 d$. per lb.; several common sea-damaged lots sold at from 4d. to $9 d$. per lb., and some rubbish at $1 d$. per lb. A parcel of Spanish colocynth was bought in.

Condurango.-Several parcels have lately arrived here, including one or two shipments from Hamburg, which may have been sent over by speculators there, possibly with a view of depressing our market, and so acquire the new arrivals at a low price. The latter were pretty firmly held, however, and all bought in at nominal prices, from $2 s .6 d$. to 3s. per lb. It is said that quite recently from $1 s .3 d$. to 1s. $6 d$. per lb. was paid privately.

Cubebs.-Sixty-five bags arrived yesterday vî̂ Singapore. At the auctions 10 bags mostly genuine but very stalky small and dusty berries were bought in at 262 . per cwt. Two bags spurious berries imported viâ New York also bought in at $20 l$. per cwt.

Cumin Seed.-For a parcel of 8 bags fair Malto seed $49 s$. would be taken, but only $48 s$. was offered.
Dragons Blood steady. Good bright but somewhat seedy lump sells at $7 l .7 s .6 d$. Socotra drop bought in at $80 s$.

Ergot of Rye.-Four bags good sound Russian sold at 1s. $5 d$. per lb., while about 20 packages Spanish ergot were bought in, no bids being made, at $2 s .3 d$. to $2 s .6 d$. per $1 b$.

GALLS.-A rather heavy quantity of Turkish galls was offered for sale to-day, but only a few lots were sold at prices which do not indicate any alteration. Blue galls are held at from $55 s$. for small, to $62 s .6 d$. per cwt. for good quality; green at $52 s .6 d$. to $55 s$. ; and white mixed at $45 s$. to $48 s$.

GAMBOGE is offering rather more liberally, 48 cases being shown at to-day's auctions. Of this quantity about onethird was sold, at somewhat lower rates; good blocked pipe, fairly good colour but slightly damp, at $11 l .12 s .6 \bar{d}$. to $11 l .17 s .6 d . ;$ damp and blocky, partly dark fracture, $9 l .15 s$. ; darkish pickings at $9 l .5 s$. to $9 l .7 s .6 d$. per cwt.

Guinea Grains.-For fifteen bags the high price of $27 s$. per cwt. was paid to-day.

GUM Arabic.-Since the last auctions business has remained in a somewhat small compass, but holders remain generally firm. Turkey gums, sorts and selected, are held at abnormal prices, and the stock becomes smaller day by day. Of Australian gum 20 bags were sold at to-day's auctions, small, rather dusty loose drop, 71s. to $72 s$.; dull block, 52s. per cwt. Cape gum is in good demand for all varieties, and recent arrivals have found a steady sale, good glassy pale and amber drop at $7 l$. ; pale dusty siftings at $6 l . \quad 7 / \mathrm{s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. Senegal gum remains very firm at the recent quotations. About 30 casks Barbary Amrad, of recent import, have been sold privately at 85 s . to 86 s . per cwt.

GUM Asafetida.-A recent arrival of 139 cases was offered by auction to-day, and about one-third part sold at steady rates : fair, part greyish block, 37s. $6 d$. ; fair dry almondy, part grey, 29s.; good loose dry, but apparently partly mixed with stones, $45 s$. ; good dry almondy pinky block, partly loose, at $40 s$. per cwt.

Gum Benjamin.-No less than 236 cases, mostly of recent import, were offered at to-day's sales, but in tace of this heavy supply buyers held off, and only a few odd lots sold at a slight decline; good Sumatra seconds, white almondy centres, but brown sides, $8 l .15 s$.; Penang, darkish thirds, $6 l .15 \mathrm{~s}$. ; rather better, $7 l$. per cwt. Palembang, of which a good proportion consisted, realised $5 l .10 s$. for good orange seconds, and $5 l .12 s .6 d$. for 32 small tins of very good colour; fair, somewhat dark, seconds, 4l. 17s. 6d. per cwt. Siam neglected ; loose almonds, dark, partly blocky and woody, bought in at $15 l$.; very woody ditto, at $10 l$. per cwt.

GUM GUAIACUM.-Seven boxes barky and drossy block sold at $7 d$. per 1 b .

GUM Kino remains cheap, but holders do not seem disposed to accept further reductions, They refused $32 s .6 d$. per cwt. for fair Cochin grain.

GUM Mastic.-Good pale tears, $2 s .9 d$. ; yellow, $2 s .3 d$.
GUM MYRRH.--A fair quantity was sold at steady prices. Good clean bold siftings, $87 s .6 d$. to 90 s . ; small and dusty at $62 s .6 d$. ; ordinary dark pickings at $28 s$. per cwt. The price for good pale picked Aden gum is $6 l .10 s$. ; sorts, $92 s .6 \bar{d}$.

Gum Tragacanth.-Last Friday 2,414 packages Syrian were offered for sale by auction, but only a few lots of ordinary quality sold: thirds at $6 l$. ; siftings, $5 l .2 s .6 d$. ; ordinary pickings, 10 s . to 15 s .; fair $\log$ gum, 50 s ; ditto siftings and pickings, 25 s . to 10 s . per cwt.

Honey.-Several parcels, including 10 kegs fine hard palish Chilian (not so good as the lot sold at the recent auctions), were offered, but only a few sold; 10 cases nondescript candied yellow " orange blossom" at 35 s. (for the remaining 12 cases $34 s$. is to be submitted). Half-candied yellow New Zealand honey is held at 35 s . per cwt. There has been another arrival of 124 barrels Chitian honey this week.

Insect Flowers have again declined in Trieste, especially for closed flowers. The "c.i.f." quotations are now: open flowers, 198s.; half-closed, 202s.; and closed flowers, 207s. per cwt. At to-day's auctions two barrels powder were bought in.

IoDINE unchanged at $9 \%$. for crude, and $10 d$. per oz. for resublimed. Potassium iodide still remains at $11 \mathrm{~s} .3 d$.

Ipecacuanha.-Twenty-cight packages were offered at to-day's sales, and nearly all disposed of at irregular rates, selected root at $7 s .6 d$., being $1 d$. per lb . more than was paid last, but ordinary sound partly thin root at a decline of $3 d$. to $4 d$. per lb. compared with recent values. Fair annulated, partly rather thin, sold to-day at $6 s .5 d$. to $6 s .7 d$. per lb.; slightly mouldy at $6 s .4 d$. to $6 s .5 d$. per lb.

Jalap.-Of 25 bags good heavy Vera Cruz, ten were sold at $6 \frac{1}{4} d$. per lb.

Kola Nuts.-A good selcction was again offered to-day, and several packages sold cheaply ; good fresh at 5 d., wormy at $1 \frac{1}{2} d$. to $2 d$, per $1 b$.

Matico.-Of two bales just arrived, one sold at $9 d$. per lb. for dull, dark and broken leaves; the other, very good bold, slightly stalky, was bought in at $1 s$. per lb.

Mercurials.-The continued decline in quicksilver has caused a correspondingly easier feeling in mercurials. Five cases Chinese Vermilion (Wingkat brand) were bought in at $2 s .10$. per lb. nominally at to-day's auctions.

Morphia remains very quiet indeed at nominal prices. From $5 s .3 d$. to $5 s .4 d$. per oz. might buy, perhaps.

MUsk.-A pretty good selection was offered to-day, but only a few lots sold at almost unchanged rates, with perhaps a slightly easier tendency. For Tonquin pods, first pile, medium to bold, partly broken, good appearance, blue skin and underskin, $95 s$. per oz. is asked, $92 s$. being refused; an offer of 92 s .6 d . was also declined fur another lot of almost similar quality. Four tins dry old-fashioned pods, partly small and skinny, sold at 85 s .; third pile, damp and spurious, but of good appearance and thin blue skin, brought 50 s. per oz.; Trimmings, 1 s. per oz. Grain musk sold at all prices from $3 s .6 d$. to $36 s$. per oz.; dull Nepaul bought in at $42 s .6 d$. per oz, nominally. Cabardine musk in good supply; fine bold trimmed pods, thin skin, bought in at $45 s$., and juicy China at 20 s . per oz., nominally.

Nux Vomica remains dear. Thirty bags good pale silky Bombay were bought in at $18 s$. per cwt., nominally, an offer of 14 s .6 d . per cwt. being refused.

Oil (CaStor) remains steady here for the best qualities. Fine Italian selis at $4 \frac{1}{4} d$. per lb., while first Calcutta may be had at $4 d$. per lb. At auction, $2 \frac{9}{16} d$. per $1 b$. was accepted for one lot fair Coconada oil. Second Ćalcutta, $2 \frac{5}{8} d$. per lb. The Liverpool market has become easier, owing to an increase in the stock; good Calcutta scconds have been sold there at $2 \frac{9}{16} d$. to $22_{2}^{1 \prime \prime} d$. per lb. From Calcutta we hear that, owing to the momentary scarcity ef seed, oilpressing is being partly suspended, and prices have conscquently advanced.

Oil (COCOANUT).-There is no better feeling for any description. Ceylon on the spot is held at $24 l .10$ s. to 242.15 s . for good to fine, and from $23 l .15 s$. to $24 l$. forward. Cochin, spot, $27 l .10$ s. to $28 l$., although some very fine oil has been sold above that limit; forward delivery, $26 l .10 \mathrm{~s}$. Mauritius dull at $25 l$.

Oil (COD-LIVER).-Persistent attempts are made to bring down the market to a lower level than has ever before been
reached, and we understand that some good new $=$ been sold on the basis of 67 s . per barrel, which is abc the lowest price known. Bergen and Hamburg speculati are mainly responsible for this artificial depression, antit is certain that the oil manufacturers could not possibly 11 at a profit at such quotations. Most of the manufacturer tave accordingly practically withdrawn from the market at py ent, although they would be prepared to accept $3 s$. $3 d$. per Hon for new steam-refincd Lofoden oil. Up to Mareh 11 rout 11 millions fish had been caught, against 10 millions the corresponding date of last year, and 16 millions in 386. The fishing is now almost at an end, and it is thought $1 a t$, with the low prices now ruling for medicinal oil, it wi pay the fishers better to turn their attention more to manuf uring oils. At the auctions 20 casks old iee-refined Lcden sold without reserve at $2 s .2 d$. per gallon.

Oil (OLIVE).-There has been a further reduction the price of Mogadore oil on our market, and this variety enot now be quoted above 32l. landed. Spanisa oil is er'ely nominal at 377 , and Sicilian remains quoted at 34l. 135 ? The following are the latest reports from the proding countries:-In Italy the stock at Gallipoli, which has ow been reduced to 5,000 tuns, is being monopolised b. one large operator. The stock of oil at Gioja, on the other nd, is increasing. Some business has been done for shipme to England, kut Russia has not as yet entered the market, Che exports of oil from Sicily during the month of February ow a decrease, and towards the end of February a momeary improvement set in, which has, however, been almosiost again, the market closing quietly at $30 l .15 \mathrm{~s}$. to 31 l .10 s . .b. for yellow Messina oil. As regards the Ionian islan in Corfu the price has declined to 307 . f.o.b., but it is di ult to buy a quantity at this figure. In Zante prices are tejing upwards. In Candia the price has also risen, and now e als about 33l. 10s. c.i.f. U. K., so that further export buess from that quarter is unlikely. Quotations in Tunis re in above the level of our markets, cargoes being gently quoted at 342 . to 35 l. c.i.f. The quantity available for e ort turns out even smaller than was expected. The ex rts from Morocco to London continue on a small scale, anc is quite uncertain whether they will increase. In Spain 1 ,es have further risen, quotations now equalling about $3 l$, c. \& f. sleamer to Liverpool. Spain is, therefore, practilly out of the market as a source of supply for the U ed Kingdom.

Oils (Essential) -Star anise very dull at 6s. 5d. to E $3 d$. per lb. on the sput. Of Camplior oil 7 cases brown Japa se sold at $2 d$. per oz. Cassia neglected, at $3 s .1 d$. per lb. o be spot. Cinnamon quiet, at $1 s$. $3 d$. to $1 s$. $6 d$. for fair. Ire have lately been some rather important shipments im Ceylon to London, and the exports from the island w stand as follows:-October 1 to February 23, $18!8$, 40,658 oz. ; 1886-7, 40,165 oz. ; 1885-6, 67,925 oz. In Citrolla oil no improvement is noticeable in the market, and $\frac{15}{5} d \mathrm{er}$ oz. remains the ruling quotation for native brands, but a he auctions to-day $\frac{7}{8} d$. per oz. was accepted for 6 cases, sut ct to approval. The exports from Ceylon are still increalg. They were between October 1 and February 23, 18i 8, $4,215,392 \mathrm{oz} ; 1886-7,3,246,856 \mathrm{oz} . ; 1885 \cdot 6,3,388,06$ /z In Italian oils we have no change to report. Ereb Lavender, thougn still held at 7 s . 3 d . for bulk, is becong very scarce, and expected to advance ere long. Otto of se is also very firmly held, although 20 s. $6 d$. per oz. f.o.b. ${ }^{12}$ stantinople still remains the quotation for well known bra s. Five cases $P a^{f} c h o u l y$ oil offered to day were bought i it 2s. 6d. per oz. Peppermint very quiet and tending lor ; $10 s .6 \mathrm{l}$. to $10 s$. 9 d. per lb. for M.G.H. Japanese oil d menthol crystals are liberally offered, but meet with o attention. Tlang-y lang neglected. For 2 bottles very is oil $4 s .6 d$. was refuscd, and the lot bought in at 68 . per 08

OPIUM.-The Smyrna markel, after experiencing consi :able weakness at the beginning of the month, closed so: what firmer on March 7, although there was not in th inclination to operate. One or two days later, howe about sixty cases changed hands, partly for speculation $8 s .11 d$. per lb. for Karahissar " with visite." The news f a the growing-districts is very contradictory, but it is mostl $f$ a very favourable character, and one report even goes so $I$ as to say that if the excellent weather which has preval

0 aues the harvest promises to be one of the best on eid, especially in the Koniah and Karahissar districts, ve there is talk already of a crop of from 8,000 to 10,000 its. It should be remembered that the last sowings a according to all accounts, been very extcnsive. The $n_{t}$ et is perfectly lifeless here, but a slightly improved and is expected for soft shipping varieties, which are 10 held at $16 s$. for Malatia, and $17 s$. for Salonica. The e $n$ of this possible movement is that advices from Peru mince that the contemplated State monopoly of opium il not be carried out.
(ANGE PeEL is still in very large supply, and the quotaremain as before, from $1 s .2 d$. to $1 s .6 d$. for good thinal [alta. The demand seems very restricted.
(ICESILVER.-The importers have reduced their quota10082. , but second-hand holders would sell at $7 l .15 s$. b rticle is decidedly wanting in animation.
(ILLAYA.-Not much doing, 15 s . per cwt . being the eist quotation.
(inine.-Prices have again receded since our last report, not 1 s . $8 \frac{1}{2} d$. per oz. we understand that a very fair amount $f$ siness was done in German brands for May-June deliel It is said in some quarters that the market has been a)sely depressed in order to bring down the price of bark t day's cinchona sales in Amsterdam. It may be doubted bher this is the case, but, if true, the manœuvre has p:ently been successful, as will be seen by our telegram to Amsterdam. The English and Freneh makers have not lted their official quotations. Fabbrica Lombarda is 0 nally held at $1_{s .} 10 \mathrm{~d}$. per oz.; so are Jobst's and Zimmer's rils, but $B . \delta S$. and Brunswick quote $1 s .9 d$. per oz. for
The "option" business appears for the moment to a come to a standstill. At the auctions 1 tin (200 oz.) 'rch quinine (Thomas) sold at $1 s .6 d$. per oz. subject to x: ination.

IUBARB.-The quantity catalogued for sale to-day conis 1 of 141 cases, mostly of ordinary and medium quality. be was little demand, and prices cannot be said to show nalteration, but too little was sold to positively test the tef of the market. Shensi root, small round druggists', for ining, fine pink fracture, sold at $2 s .11 d$. per lb.; small ilitto at $2 s$. $4 d$. per lb.; medium to bold flat root, of good parance, and fair red, partly dark fracture, $1 \mathrm{~s} .11 \mathrm{~d} . ;$ small edium flat, fair orange coat, greyish fracture, 1s. $4 d$. ol old wormy, $6 d$. to $8 \frac{1}{2} d$. per lb. High-dried root, flat, a and wormy, sold at $7 d$. to $8 d$. per lb.
FFRON very firm, at 49s. per lb. for the best Valencia, i a prospect of higher prices.
RSAPARILLA.-A pretty varied assortment was offered $0.1 y$, but the demand, except for Jamaica root, was of the i test. Forty-three bales good Grey Januaica sold rather r ly at steady rates; sound, 1 s .8 d. to $1 \mathrm{~s} .10 \mathrm{l} . ;$ damaged, s d. to $1 s$. $9 \dot{d}$. per lb. Good Lima Jamaica, in bundles, $s_{\frac{1}{2}} d$. Honduras nominally held at $1 s$, to $1 s$. $1 d$., but less "d be accepted. Nine bales damaged "FD Crown" sold lout reserve at $8 d$. per lb. Mexican bought in at $5 d$. per lb. it bales twigs, offered as sarsaparilla and newly imported the West Indies, were bought in, no offer being obtain-

AMMONY.-Several lots were offered to.day, but none
Good Skilleep is held at 10 s . per lb. The Smyrna set is very firm, with a small stock.
inEGA. There is not much inquiry just at present, and $1 s .10 d$. to $1 s .11 d$. per lb. is the price for good bright At the auctions several lots were bought in at $2 s$. elb.
anna.-Of 176 packages Tinncveily offered to-day, a cl proportion sold at very firm prices, from $\frac{1}{2} d$. to $\frac{3}{4} d$. for є common blackish, and $1 d$. to $1_{4}^{3} d$. for ordinary dark and b, to $3 d$. to $4 \frac{1}{2} l$. per lb. for fair small to medium ycllow to r nish leaves. Fine leaves were not offered; 63 packages 1 andrian senna all bought in.
AELLAC.-A small but decided advance has occurred in article, with a private business of fair extent. At the $x$ ions, although a pretty considcrable quantity had been rertised, only 353 chests were actually offered, and seconel "ge realised an advance of fully $1 s$. per cowt., fair but
livery selling at $46 s$, to $46 s .6 d$. ; ditto but blocky, $45 s .6 d$. to $46 s$. ; blocky, 42s. 6d.; ditto unworked, fair, 47s. 6 ll. ; reddish and out of condition, 46s. to 46s. 6d. Dark button lac sold at $36 s .6 d$. Since the auctions $49 s .6 d$. per cwt. c.i.f. terms has been paid for second orange TN basis, forward delivery, and 39 s. for garnet lac, A.C., same conditions. The market closes firm.

Spices are generally dull with one or two exceptions. Cassia lignca, common coarse, 20 s. to $20 s .6 d$. Cloves neglected, and fully ${ }_{4}^{3} d$. per lb. cheaper for Zanzibar; fair to good, $7 \frac{1}{2} d$. to $8 d$. Chillies quiet; fair Zanzibar, 30 s. Ginger dull; new cut Cochin, $1 s .6 a$. cheaper ; small to bold, $32 s$. to 49 s . ; fair bold, 75 s . ; Bengal ginger also lower, at 12 s .6 d . to $13 s$. ; new Jamaica sold at 58 s . to 59 s . for ordinary washed, and $39 s$. to $42 s$. for ordinary to fair Rhatoon. Mace and Nutmegs steady. Black pepper steady, at $7 \frac{5}{8} d$. for Singapore. Whitc pepper very firm: fair Penang, $9_{4}^{3} d$. per lb. Pimento duil ; fair to good, $2 \frac{1}{8} \ell$. to $2 \frac{1}{4} d$. per lb.

SQUills.-A few lots rather dark root sold at $2_{4}^{3} d$. per lb .

## Stryciinine firm at $2 s .5 d$. to $2 s .6 d$.

StROPHANTHUS.-Half of 150 lbs . grcen seed from the Cape was sold at $6 s$. to $6 s, 6 d$. per lb, the rcmainder being held at the former figure.

SUlpilur rather firmer; floners up to $9 s .6 d$. per cwt.; roll, $6 s$. to $6 s .6 \mathrm{~d}$. per ewt. At to-day's auctions 50 bags Sicilian flowers sold at $6 s$. per ewt.

TeA.-China remains quict, with but little passing by private contract, and dealers complain of scarcity of orders from the country. Leaf-teas with but little either in appearance or liquor to recommend them are readily taken at $7 \frac{1}{2} d$. to $7 \frac{3}{4} d$., and any Souchongs with liquor fetch $8 \frac{1}{2} d$. Very few really fine Pekoes are to be had, and scarcely anything has been sold in leaf-tea over $1 s$. $6 d$. to $1 s$. $7 d$. per lb. for weeks past, though very useful teas are to be bought from $1 s .2 d$. to $1 \mathrm{~s} .4 \lambda$., and perhaps these grades show least advance of any leaf-teas. Ceylons are offering freely, and show good value compared with Assams, and as the supplies for a few weeks after Easter will be light, buyers will probably not be wrong in going into stock for teas under $1 s$. But little intcrest is taken in the tea market in the forthcoming Budget, as there is very slight prospect of a reduction in the duty on tea, and none of an increase.

Tonquin Beans. - Several cases fairly good, slightly frosty Parí beans were bought in, $1 s .9 d$. per lb, being suggested for these. Dull broken foxy beans sold at $1 s$. per lb.

Turmeric again cheaper, and in excessive supply. Bengal sold at $9 s .6 d$. per cwt. At the auctions some 2,600 bags Madras and Bengal were nearly all bought in.

Vanilla.-Nearly 400 tins were offered to-day, and the greater part sold at an occasional slight advance for good beans, which were scarce. The large proportion of common sorts declined from $1 s$. to $1 s$. $6 d$. in value. Mauritius, good brown, $7 \frac{1}{2}$ in. to $8 \frac{1}{2}$ in., sold at 18 s . 6 d . to 21 s .; good, $7 \frac{1}{2}$ in. to 9 in. at 20 s .; chocolate, 6 in . to $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{in}$. at 10 s . to 15 s .; 4 in. to $5 \frac{1}{2}$ in at $7 s .6 d$. to $9 s .6 d$. per lb. Long crystallised Java pods sold at $1 s .8 d$. to $2 s$. per 1 l .

Wax (Bees') steady, with sales of fine yellow Jamaica at $5 l .15 s . ;$ good orange, $5 l .12 s .6 d . ;$ orange and grey, $5 l .7 s .6 d$; fair grej, $57.5 s$.

THE AMSTERDAM CINCHONA AUCTIONS.

## (Telegram from our Correspondent.)

Amsterdam, March 22.
The public sales of cinchona bark held here to-day comprised 1,438 packages, all Java bark, with the cxception of 43 bales East Indian, 8 bales Ceylon, and 1 bale Bolivian bark. The Java bark was made up as follows :-Succirubra, quill, 201 cases; broken quill and chips, 89 bales; root, 39 bales. Calisaya Schukhraft, quill, 10 cases; broken quill and chips, 24 bales; ditto Lcdgeriana, quill, 5 cases; broken quill and chips, 625 packages; root, 152 packages; ditto Offcinalis, broken quill and chips, 57 bales. Hybrid, quill, 106 cases ; broken quill and chips, 78 packages. The whole
quantity weighed 102 tons, of which 67 tons were manufacturers' and 35 tons druggists' bark. The former contained about $92,800 \mathrm{oz}$., or an average of 4 per cent. quinine sulphate. At the anctions 1,341 packages were sold at lower rates as compared with the last London sales, the unit value ranging from 12 to 13 cents per $\frac{1}{2}$ kilo., equal to from $2 \frac{1}{8} d$. to $2 \frac{1}{4} d$. Druggists' bark, broken quills, chips, and quills, weak to fine, realised from 16 to 135 cents per $\frac{1}{2}$ kilo. ( $=3 d$. to $2 s .0 \frac{1}{2} d$. per lb.) ; druggists' root from 23 to 27 cents per $\frac{1}{2}$ kilo. ( $=4 d$. to $5 d$. per lb.); manufacturers' bark, broken quills, quills, and chips, from 7 to 96 cents ( $=1 \frac{1}{4} d$. to $1 s .5 \frac{1}{4} d$. per lb.) ; and ditto root, from 39 to 86 cents ( $=7 d$. to $1 s .3 \frac{1}{2} d$. per lb.).

## CHEMICALS IN THE NORTH OF ENGLAND.

T1HE general tone of the market is decidedly better, and orders are coming in more freely, as at last the opening of the spring seems in view ; and as this means direct shipments to Canada, Russia, and the north of Europe, there are reasonable grounds for placing some hope in an improved demand and firmer prices.

SODA ASH has been firmly maintained at $1 d$. to $1 \frac{1}{16} d$. per degree.

Caustic Soda seems at last to have sounded the lowest depths of declinc, and is now much firmer at $5 l .15 \mathrm{~s}$. per ton for 60 per cent., and at $6 l .15 s$. per ton for 70 per cent.

Bleaciing l'owder has been firmly held at 7l. 7s. 6el. to 7l. 10s. per ton for soft wood on rails, and at $7 l .15 \mathrm{~s}$. for hard f.o.b.

Borax.-The Americans continue to buy Californian on this market, and have just paid 31l. per ton f.o.b. The interesting question to holders is, how much more the Yankees will pay; but a far more important point is the question, what effect will all this buying have upon the English makers? Each year for some time past the imports of borax from California have amounted to over 2,000 tons per annum, and as this has come to an end the gap has to be filled up, and the opinion is general that the process will cause an advance in prices. The market at present is very steady at $30 l$. per ton for crystal, and at 31 . per ton for powdered.

SULPHUR is another chemical which has gone through a singular variety of changes in its condition as a mineral. The burning of Sicilian brimstone for the manufacture of sulphuric acid has now become a "history little known" since pyrites have grown into such a colossal trade ; but even this more recent substitute is threatened by the never-ending application of waste products. Near all alkali works may be seen huge masses of what is termed "waste," the amount of which is estimated at 100,000 tons per annum, and though sulphur has for gears back been recovered from it, the extraction has never become of great importance, partly by reason of the cost, and partly on account of the presence, or fear of presence, of arsenic. A new process is before the public which if successful will bring another revolution into the trade and enable makers using the Leblanc process to hold their own and more. It is stated that this sulphur can be obtained perfectly pure, and if it turns out so, and can be sold at a low price, we shall again be able to beat the French refiners out of the Indian, and the Germans and Italians out of the Canadian, markets-two very important outlets. The present values are: Best 3rd (Sicilian), $4 l .5 s$. per ton; roll sulphur, $6 l$. per ton; and flowers of sulphur, $9 l$. per ton.

AcIDs.-The princpal of these, viz., tartaric, citric, oxalic, and boracic acid, are all drooping and suffering from a reaction which has not yet come to an end. Tartaric acid, after advancing to $1 s .6 \frac{1}{2} d$. , has declined, and can now be bought in quantity at $1 s$. $6 \mu$. to $1 s .6 \frac{1}{4} d$. The supplies of this chemical from the Continent grow larger each year, and yet, curiously enough, some places-Naples, for instance-with constant native supplies of bitartrate of potash, after making it into acid for some little time, have ceased to do so. Citric acid also shows signs of weakness, and stands to-day at 1s. $6 \frac{1}{2} d$. to $1 s .6{ }_{4}^{3} d$., a very low price. Here, again, French and Italian makers slip in and compete with the English manufacturers. Oxalic acid, after a short advance of $1 d$. ,
has receded to $3 \frac{1}{2} d$., and is not. very active at th price Boracic acid, after a brisk inquiry in the earlier pas f the year, has become quiet at $27 s$. 6d. per cwt., but the mand for this chemical is constant, not only for the man icture of borax and for pottery purposes, but also in new $y$ ccsses for the preservation of meat and fish, the latter bei quitc a special departure, and one which may become cigreat importance.

## PRIVATE $v$. GOVERNMENT CINCHONA-GROILG IN JAVA,

THE Java cinchona-planters consider themselves af icrod by the action of the Dutch Indian Gorc ment, which is vigorously extending its cinchona plaitions in different parts of the island and sending the k k for sale to Europe in competition with the private grow: A number of the latter, therefore, have now presen 1 an address to the Governor General of the Dutch Ires, in which they call attention to what they allege to bethinfair Government competition, and request that the direct of the Government cinchona plantations may be instructed to to lay out any new gardens, or to renew planting whe trees are cut down. The memorialists point out that origir $y$ the Government plantations were commenced solely for $t$ pur. pose of ascertaining whether cinchona cultivati was practicable in the Dutch colonies, and of encouragi and assisting private planters in raising trees, while th commercial aspect of the Government undertaking was lir ed to the sale of a sufficient quantity of bark to defray the riking expenses of the gardens. It is further asserted $t$ ); the private planters are heavily taxed, while many of the also work with borrowed capital, and are otherwise hamp id in their undertakings, and it is pointed out that the cul ation of cinchona is still extending very largely, wb the estimated consumption of quinine only increases by bout 10 per cent. per annum, and that, moreover, at the zsent market prices of the bark, the Government gardens, far from being a source of profit, are worked at an absolu loss. In 1885, for instance, the last year of which complete icial figures have been published, the Government bark, hich averaged 3.15 per cent. quinine sulphate, cost $37 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{ce}$. per half-kilo., or $6 \frac{3}{4} d$. per lb., to produce, so that it must hit left a loss of about $2 d$. per lb, at the unit figures then rug in Europe. The case of the Java planters certainly appeal 0 be a strong one, but it is doubtful whether the Governme will accede to their request, and difficult to see how they ould do so except by selling their cinchona gardens outrighis the highest bidder. It may here be mentioned that, althou the shipments of Government bark have risen from 432,71 1alfkilos. in 1885, to 525,698 half-kilos. in 1886, and ar ustimated at 700,000 half-kilos. for 1887, yet the expls of bark by private planters have increased in very much rger proportions, and are now four times as heavy as those the Government, whereas in 1884 they barely equalled the ttcr.

## BARLEY WINE,

$A^{T}$T a recent meeting of the Academy of Sciences, tris, M. Georges Jacquemin read an interesting no, on barley wine, describing a process by which, throug the influence of a peculiar ferment, Saccharomyces cllipst sus, a tartarised wort of barley is made to yield a trucine of pleasant taste, and more nutritive than grape ne; it contains more respiratory aliments, an albuminoio ubstance, and a larger proportion of phosphates, whic are calculated to restore the nervous system and the bony ti les. It also differs from white grape wine by being copiousl recipitated by tannin, while a portion of the malt may 1 re placed by crushed wheat or barley that has not sprced. This wheat or barley wine is stated to be equal in $q$ ity and cheaper than that of pure malt, and the vinous wis question is an alcoholio fermentation of a totally di act character from the ordinary yeast of beer.


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## The Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill. Branch Shops Clause.

If - I read with interest the letter by "Unregistered nar" you publish this week. I quite agree that it loe very hard lines for all competent practical men so n; to have to resign their mode of livelihood, and an alto chemists who have placed them on present footings, tt: should surely be able to judge capability, whether Et up by registration or not. Vested interest is gency spected in legislation, and I would suggest that "all 1al is now so acting should be exempt," in the event of A with this new clause becoming, law. Some people y "managers can now qualify," but very probably yf them neither have the time, the means, nor the inion to do so. I venture to say it will yet be many a iy before all physic is dispensed by qualified persons, I il to see why a competent unqualified branch manager il oe upset, while an unqualified junior, with his emeout of the way, can still dispense all prescriptions (ne to hand. Some noble lords may yet opine that larmaceutical chemists should dispense prescriptions. what, then, all the chemists and druggists would say about the matter ?

QUALIFIED SUBSCRIBER. (21/61.)
(I) Thirty years' experience of chemists' assistants me to endorse the gist of "Unregistered Manager's" a) I trust The Chemist and Druggist will give place a) uggestions which may secure exemption for all bona a trustworthy managers. Taking a common-sense view is question of public security-truly the anomalies of is jurisprudence are inscrutable-it is seriously proposed :man who has served an apprenticeship to a duly it $l$ chemist, and who may subsequently have been an tit for fifteen or twenty years, is not legally competent l $d$. Worth of syrup of squills and paregoric. Yet a er oilman's boy of fourteen or fifteen years of age may, (2s, freely vend deadly solutions of aconite, opium, and, in fact, the whole category of potent poisons of let or hindrance ; nay, more, if he even advises their noperly (and he does so occasionally), for the result, ${ }^{1}$ atal, no responsibility accrues, for he is not within the e the Pharmacy Act. As our legislators are so conWill they use it ?

Yours obediently,
SPES.
ifl person selling of the law is inaccurate. Any unIf person selling a scheduled poison is liable to a 1888). More 148 of The Chemists'and Druggists' lipe proved to be in a grocer's boy or anyone else who stion of a poison cansing way responsible for the ad1 ction for poison causing a fatal result would be liable 1 etion for manslaughter. So would a chemist or a This would be quite independent of the Pharmacy

SIR,-With reference to the above-mentioned Bill and your somewhat academical comments thereon, I beg to place before your notice a few facts from an unregistered manager's point of view. I have now been twenty.two years in the business, the last ten as manager. I have been married for upwards of fifteen years, and I can assure you, sir, that not only has my salary been exhausted, but my time has been fully taken up in trying to maintain my family in a respectable position, so it has been utterly impossible for me to qualify. Now, if the clause attached to the Bill is placed on the statute book I should like to ask you, sir, or any of your readers, what is to be our fate. I may state that I hold as good a certificate of proficiency as it is possible for any man to possess, and my present employer has such confidence in my ability that he intimated only the othor day that, if circumstances compelled him to part with my services, he should certainly sell the branch which I am now managing. Notwithstanding facts like these, notwithstanding my long experience, during which I have dispensed some thousands of prescriptions and never made the slightest approach to a mistake, despite all this, my living is to be taken away, my family cast upon the world, and I, an honest, though humble, citizen, pauperised by State action. I wish to ask, sit, if you consider this to be honest, just, or reasonahle. I also desire to ask if some middle course could not be adopted - say a proviso to be inserted in the Bill exempting all existing managers possessing bon $\hat{a}-f i d e$ certificates of proficiency from last and present employers. I feel assured an addition of this description would meet the case. It would not affect the principle of the Bill, it would not rob the public of that protection so desired by all, as the present managers would exercise the same due care in the future as they have in the past-in fact, it would injure none, but benefit many. So, trusting that you, who have ofttimes championed in the trade the cause of the weak against the strong, will not fail to let us have the benefit of your advice upon this subject in your next issuc, I am, yours, \&c.,

A Victim of Circumstances. ( $23 / 44$. )

Sir,-I hope " Unregistered Manager's" letter will initiate some steps to protect the interests of a considerable number of steady, trustworthy men threatened by the added clause to the Pharmacy Amendment Act. Unfortunately, managers are dotted over the country, and are at great disadvantage for anything like concerted action. There is nothing to be looked for from the Pharmaceutical Society, their sole aim being to get their pet scheme pushed through at any price; and it is clear unless our case be fairly represented in the House of Commons our legitimate claim to enfranchisement will be overlooked. I venture to suggest that exception be claimed "for all existing managers who have served a bon $\hat{\alpha}$ fide apprenticeship, and who can produce satisfactory restimony as to their ability as managers or assistants for a perod of ten or fourtceu years. This would meet the admitted evil of branch shops being left in charge of apprentices and youthful assistants, and would also be in the interests of public security. Middle-aged men who have been constantly engaged in dispensing and superintending for fifteen or twenty years are surely more trustworthy and less liable to err than the inexperienced youths who, after six or twelve months' cram, barely guess a sufficient number of the useless and haphazard "Square" conundrums.

In the absence of a better scheme, if all managers entitled to exemption will supply name, age, and length of service, I will undertake to collate them, and place them in the hands of a member of the Government who will do his best in our interest.

I am, sir, yours trulp,
127 Calvert Road, East Greenwich.
Alpina.

Sir,-I venture to assert fully 80 per cent. of the trade will endorse your remarks, also "Heder's" Ictter re Pharmacy Act Amendment Bill, in last week's issue. It must bring a glimmer of hope to many in the trade, despite the remarks of "Unregistered Manager." I would remind "Unregistered Manager" that "two wrongs do not make one right." We all howl and rave about the stores, but why not set our own house in order? And, pray, on whom (supposing the Bill passes) will the hardship fall? Look at the position of the Minor man now. After he has been duly apprenticed, and has gone through hard study, he has to practise many acts of
self-denial to obtain the much-coveted qualification, unless he belongs to the class of gilded youths-and they generally seek happier hunting-grounds. Having passed the examination, it ccrtainly is rather annoying to be pitted against the unqualified man, and thereby compelled to accept a much reduced salary. Many unqualified men have never served an apprenticeship to the trade, and not a few are only, or, rather, were only, oilmen's assistants. To my mind, the great hardship falls on the chemist in a small way, who has these bogus branch shops for opponents.

In conclusion, I beg to appeal to all members of the trade, especially younger members, who have the "rough road" of pharmacy to travel, to do their utmost by writing to their respective M.P.'s asking their support of the Bill; and, doubtless, right will be might in this case.

Justitia.
(24/58.)

## The Pharmaceutical Society.

Sir,-I regret that a gentleman known to me only through the columns of your paper, and respected in consequence of that acquaintance, "Heder," to wit, should construct the letter to which I last week saw his name appended. When he referred to the grumbler I am afraid that I found the cap fit me, but with my natural modesty, I consider that I can show your correspondent that much of the grumbling indulged in is unfortunately only too justifiable.
I am not acquainted with any men who "think that when they have passed its (the Society's) examinations they should be furnished with a good business, a high social status, and an assured income." Personally, I have never expected that triple grant, although, perhaps, if it were forced on me I should not turn and rend the donors.

When "Heder" states that "a diploma does not make a good business man," I agree with him, although lower down he is inconsequent when he infers that the Society has been instrumental in turning out good "professional men." Whether he is correct or not in inferring the latter it is not necessary for me to assert, but I would remind him that the Society's councillors do not agree with him. They are, and have been for some time, very zealous in putting forth that the chemist of to day is but a very imperfectly educated individual, and the object of the curriculum is to remedy that defect. "Things which one would rather have put differently" are to be found in "Heder's" letter, some societyworshippers will consider.
Another point it seems necessary to remind "Heder" of, viz, that young men do not apply to the Society for "a diploma as a recognition of their scientific attainments." I myself, and most other men, I think, have applied to the Society for a diploma, not so much in "recognition of scientific attainments" as to meet the legal requirements of the calling in which, fortunately or unfortunately, we find ourselves. If this is a depraved state of affairs, what a shocking amount of depravity is in the drug trade !
By "ITeder's" own words I would show a cause of complaint against the Society. He applauds the "qualified assistants" clause of the Pharmacy Bill-a simple enforcement of the 1868 Acts' object, as you, sir, have pointed outand I would ask, is it not a cause of complaint that the House of Lords should be left to a chance "Correspondent from Lancashire" for information respecting the working of the Pharmacy Acts. It would be manifestly unfair to statc that interested motives prevented the Council informing our legislators on this point, but in an "aside" it may be remarked that more than one councillor employs an unqualified manager for a branch.
The absolute ignorance which Lord Milltown displayed in replying to questions about the Bill does not reflect on the noble lord, but on the Pharmaceutical Council. Is this an " unfair grumble," Mr. "Heder "?
Is there any enthusiasm about the education question? I know there is not. What chemists want is not a curriculum scheme, the beneficence of which is to shine on the next century, but a just protection of the qualification for which he has expended time and money. "A just protection" and "a monopoly," it seems necessary to add, are not interchangeable terms. If one may infer anything from the recent discussion in the House of Lords, one would conclude that a "protection" might be forced on the pharmacist which the Council has over and over again refused to ask
for. It is very evident that the cmasculated conditi of the Pharmacy Acts, in consequence of the liberties en led bs corporate bodies, is actually unknown to the legislare. it takes a very abnormally-developed bump of vene ion to glorify a body which leaves so much undone whiel ought to have done, and does so much which it ought not do.
What would the united barons have thought when asking John to sign the Magna Charta, his majesty id proposed instead to lery a tax upon them for the p pose of instituting a research laboratory to attempt the sq ring of the circle? There is an analogy somewhere.

I shall not occupy your space by attempting to ju fy any other "grumbles," but will express a hope that " H er," in the exercise of his customary thoughtfulness, will ac it that after all the "grumbler" may have a "cause why."

Yours obediently,
W. G. Blaciam.

Sir,--"Heder" seems to look upon the Pharm eutical Society as quite a model one. The British public of thiresent day look upon chemists as simply tradesmen, and no is pro. fessional gentlemen, which is proved by the way i which they patronise the stores and grocers for such a vles as tr. opii, paregoric, sweet nitre, \&c. I have known em to take preseriptions to the grocer in preference to the emist. Within the last three months I have had custome bring their prescriptions and ask for each article separatel jaying they could mix them themselves. What does Mr. Her say to the public thinking themselves as competent to spense their prescriptions as qualified experienced men like l jself ?
No doubt it would be a great advantage if we col consider ourselves professional men (I for one woul like it immensely). But those dreams will never be realit, and the sooner we condescend to look upon ourselves a imply tradesmen the better, even though we are qualified a rding to the rules of the Pharmaceutical Societs. 1
The clause referring to qualificd assistants in the $P$ rmacy Bill, if it ever comes into force, will be a great inj jice to hundreds of competent men who manage branch bu lesses, $\& c$., and will be the means of adding to the rankuf the great unemployed. But considering that a man ma present manage a business in his employer's name, bu momediately on putting up his own he would be pounced on by the Pharmaceutical Society, it will only be one more ind to the chain which is gradually getting twisted rot 1 the liberties of the people under the false name proteron. I hope those whom the clause will strictly affect will ot be slow in pointing out its injustice to their local M.P.'s.

March 19. I remain, jours truly,
Justitia. (2i4.)

Sir,--Your correspondent "Heder" is surprised, the estimation in which the "Society" is held by the t le in general, and he also maintains that "the lharma atical Socicty has very honestly discharged the important uties with which Parliament has entrusted it."
Now, sir, I believe that the low esteem in wht the Society is held is due to an opinion very generall: ntertained by the druggists in England that the Coun have done their utmost to evade carrying out the most im tant part of the duty entrusted to them by Parliament.

If an unregistered tradesman (a grocer or an oilma deal in poisons, he can only be prosecuted by the Pharmac tical Society under the 15 th clause of the 1863 Act; a if a druggist report such illegal sale, and furnish pro the Council will not prosecutc. There are druggists in a parts of the kingdom to whom this is known.
"Heder" is also pleased at the additional clause i rted in the "Pharmacy Acts Amendment Bill"; but It k he has no cause for joy, as the penalties are to be recov d in the same way as in the 15th clause of the 1868 Act, $\pi$ ch is only another way of saying they will never be enfc d if the Council can help it.
To makc the penal portions of both Acts really ef tive, it should be in the power of a common informer to it tute a prosecution, and half the penalty inflicted should go the informer, except the latter be a policeman, in whic case the half penalty should go to the Policemen's Soperant tion Fund.

If ich a change could be made in tbe Bill in the House (amons, a real benefit would result; but unless it be so al d, I trust it will not pass.

Yours truly,
READER. (24/39.)
S. -To my mind the Pharmaceutical Society has only elto blame for the contemptuous way it is spoken of ti $y$ assistants and chemists. It has been too much an dating "instead of a " protecting" society. It would be of ted richly and voluntarily, if the requests of members d sociates for better protection had been respectfully ted to, and more endeavour bad been made to assist. is the diploma or belonging to this alma mater or ol $r$ which the general public require to know-the most efic, skilled, and well-read ehemist in Pirmingbam thit any diploma has his business in a side street o st the poorest of the poor, giving every satisfaetion a who know bim or do business witb him. The qualified ints clause recently passed in the House of Lords does t far enougb. No Bill will be complete whicb does not evt all unregistered persons trading as "chemists," or is partners in limited companies or stores.

Yours respeetfully,
J. S. Spencer.

## Botanical Curiosities.

8.     - It may interest Mr. Hill and other botanists to 0 that Phalaris canariensis has been growing on the olh-heap in Queensferry Road, Edinburgh, for at least fyears. I have in my eollection a speeimen from that ay dated 1881. At that time the heap in question was $1 l$ nown to Edinburgh botanieal students as a habitat e plant.
Fm its isolated position there can be little doubt that it gated from zome canary-seed whieh had got thrown out home of the rubbisb. It is also, I believe, found on 11. heaps in the neighbourhood of Leith, although I have vigathered it there myself.
I spasmodic appearance of this exotic is interesting, as pag another example of the difference in germinating $\pi$ of seeds from tbe same speeies.

I am, sir, yours faithfully,
field, March 21.
G. A. Grimrson.

## he Medical and Pharmaeeutieal Preliminary Examinations.

I have received tbe following letter in reference to the e ainary examination of the Aberdeen University :-

University of Aberdeen,
Marcb 15, 1888.
[IR Sir,-Your communication of the 4th ult. was laid a recent meeting of the medical faeulty, and I have to c) you that it was agreed to accept, pro tanto, the Preiry examination of the Pharmaceutieal Society in al knowledge.

Yours faithfully,
Matthew Hay,
Sec. Med. Fac.

## The Incorporated Society.

c,-May I trespass again upon your spaee to reply to e,tter in your last issue from Mr. Jones, of Birmingham? the personal part of the charge I need not again I have given a plain answer to a plain question, and atend that my conduct has been strietly legal and lirable. I would, bowever, go a step farther, and ask, f has prompted Mr. Jones to try to damage a soeiety 11 bas been formed to assist the trade to defend its s, after the failure of tbe old Trade Association to which scribed for many years?
thentleman does not deny tbat he has been actuated terested motives, and, moreover, admits that the associaersonal contro grief had the inestimable advantage of sersonal control. I eannot help thinking, however, that t ine taken up by your eorrespondent shows a spirit of hness and suspieion whieh is quite unealled for. ter reading Mr. Jones's letter some may think that the
"self-eleeted eouneillors," as he cbooses to call them, of the Incorporated Soeiety of Cbemists and Druggists must derive some speeial benefits, pecuniary or otherwise, from that position. Such, however, is not the case. On the contrary, I and my colleagues have given many days of our time (which, even in London, is valuable) to organise this soeiety and induce fellow-ehemists to join. We have been ably assisted by our solieitor, a gentleman who was appointed on account of his knowledge of the law affecting our trade, and who bas acted tbroughout in the most disinterested manner.

In tbe opinion of many of us, we have lost--through the spirit of jealousy and want of co-operation above referred to -most of the advantages whicb it was intended we should enjoy in return for the restrictions imposed upon us by the legislature. Moreover, the hope that the Pharmaceutical Society would bave done something to assist struggling pharmacy has been disappointed. Nevertheless, we believe that our society will piek up scme portion at least of the lost ground, despite the eold water that Birmingham is trying to throw upon an honest endeavour. To be in a worse condition would be well-nigh impossible; but by combination we bope not only to defend the rigbts but to improve the position of the trade, and if we can only partially grain this end we shall consider ourselves well repaid for all the trouble ineurred.

Yours truly,
818 Holloway Road, March 20.
J. II. Read.

## Vinum Ferri.

Sir,-Many years ago, more tban I now care to remember, I examined the precipitate formed in the making of vinum ferci by the old way. I found it to consist wholly of basic pertartrate. The best way of preparing this neglected but still useful artiele is to set up two Winchesters with a bundle of iron wire in eaeb, and wine to nearly fill them. Cork loosely, or they will be blown out by the liberated hydrogen. Use from tbe bottles alternatcly, filling up the empty one and placing it in tbe baekground to mature. Tbe wire need not be renewed for years, nor the precipitate removed.
T. B. G. (23/35.)

## Otto of Rose.

SIr,-The stearopten of the rose is a source of mueh loss of time to the pharmacist, who has to melt the otto every time that he uses ever so small a quantity; and, should it be mixed with a spirituous liquid, he bas, moreover, to filter tbe product. Would it not be worth the while of a first-elass house to prepare by filtration and expression a liquid otto devoid of these inconvenienees? To do this on a small scale would entail considerable loss, but witb care this might be avoided in the large way, though the price would, of course, be augmented by some 30 per cent. perhaps.
T. B. G. (23/35.)

## DISPENSING NOTED.

[The opinions of practical readers are invited on subjects dissussed under this heading.]

Hair Lotion.
SIr,-Whieh is tbe best way to make a presentable emulsion of tbe following :-

| Pulv. boracis | - | - | $\cdots$ |  | 3 iss . |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ol. olive .. | .. | - | - |  | ${ }_{3} \mathrm{j}$. |
| Liq. ammonire (B.P.) | - |  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  |
| Eau de Cologne .. |  |  | - |  |  |
| Aq. destill.al |  |  |  |  |  |

M. Ft. lotio.

Can it be done best with ol. amygd, nucis, or sesame, or ol. olive? I have tried several ways repeatedly, but witbout suceess. Yours very truly,
J. Clarke.
[We cannot appreciate the diffeulty whieh our eorrespondent speaks of, for we get an exeellent emulsion by shaking together tbe borax, oil, and 2 oz . of water. Mix tbe ammonia with the eau de Cologne and the rest of tbe water, and add this by portions to the emulsion. Probably our correspondent's "olive oil" is the American variety, whieh is expressed. from cotton seed.]

## An Explosive Mixture.

SIR,-Can you tell me the reason why the following mixture explodes, which it has done on two occasions after standing two or three days:-

[The ammonium bromide, in presence of free ammonia, mandergoes decomposition, a bromide of nitrogen being formed. We cannot with exactitude detail the stages of this decomposition, but, as in our correspondent's case, have observed that explosion takes place, and when vegetable colouring-matter is present that is destroyed. This suggests that the gas which is the immediate cause of the cxplosion is not carbonic acid gas from the carbonate of ammonia, but an oxide of nitrogen.]

## Apothecaries' or Avoirdupois?

22/19. Carlayo puts this question:-"If, in dispensing, we get, say, mag. sulph., 亏̄j., ordered, what weight should be used? Troy, or as in B.P. preparations ?"
[The only thing that the sign $\mathbb{J}$ means is the ounce of 480 grains. The avoirdupois ounce, $437 \frac{1}{2}$ grains, is signified by oz The Pharmacopœia does not recognise the apothecaries' ounce, but in the preface it is stated that " it will be optional with the physician in proscribing to use the symbols 5 and 5 , the former representing 20 , and the latter 60 , grains, if such should be found to conduce to accuracy or convenience." Although this establishes nothing as regards the ounce, nevertheless it does not interfere with the fact that the sign $\overline{5}$ represents 480 grains.]

Potas. Citras and Quinine Salts.
Sir,-Be good enough to state how the following may be dispensed:-

| Pot.citrat. | . | . | . |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Liq. arseric. | - | . | .. |  | Mx1. |
| Ferri et quin. cit. | . | . |  |  |  |
| Aq. ad .. | - | . |  |  |  |

We have dissolved salts separately and mixed the solutions; a dense precipitate is formed in a few hours, which sticks to the sides of the bottle. Yours,
T. J. Clarie.
[The precipitate in this case is partly due to the carbonate of potash in the arsenical solution, but mainly to the citrate of potash. The addition of a sufficiency of citric acid redissolves the precipitate. Liq. arsenici hydrochlor., flavoured as the alkaline preparation, should be used.]

## Essential Oil in Mixture.

Sir,-Should the following be dispensed as an emulsion or not?-

M. Cap. ${ }^{2} s s$. ter die p. c.

1I. (23/49.)

## LEGAL QUERIES.

22/37. Observer.-A question like yours.ywas answered to "Nemo" on March 10, page 333. Read, also article on Trade Marks in last Diary, page 257.

22/66. Subscriber.-It is impossible to lay down a definite rule about apprentices' holidays. An apprentice is entitled to reasonabie treatment, and the master is entitled to reasonable service. An apprentice to a chemist ought to know that the business is one which demands attention on bank holidays and the like, and he must be prepared to give his services at such times to a fair extent.

20/7. A. S.-Your corn paint would undoubtedly be able to medicine-stamp duty if labelled and announced as 5ou show. Most of the pills, too, seem to be liable, takin into consideration both labels and handbills; but to be ctain you had better inquire of the Board of Inland Rever), as we have frequently advised.

22;43. Zero.-A will duly attested is valid even tugh the witnesses are dead or not to be found. It is, ho ver, in some cases a convenience and sometimes a matter of reat importance to be able to get at the witnesses to a will.

23/27. Aspirant.-Your label is evidently based or hat of the other tirm, and you have copied their statement arost verbatim. This is a moral infringement on their right and it may not be a legal one. If they have registered their, ibel at Stationers' Hall they have a copyright in the literary mposition of it. But, apart from that, if you pat upour packets in style like them, the copying of the text woul go a long way in influencing a judge against you if they w? to apply for an injunction.

21/13. Sift.-There have been no additions to the Pions Schedule of the Pharmacy Act since 1882 , when nux viea and its preparations were added. Those poisons nam in the schedule are the only ones the sale of whieh is eolacd to registered chemists and druggists. For full details tibe restrictions refer to The Chemists' and Druggists' Diny, 1888, or, if you have not got it (and it is not now obtainle), to the Calendar of the Pharmaceutical Soeiety. Prese ing and supplying medicines after diagnosis is an infringem tof the Apothecaries Act. The manufacture and sa of medicinal tinctures is allowed to persons not lieensed ti, eal in spirits. The Pharmacy Act does not prevent unregi red persons using coloured carboys and calling their shops rug stores. You should really try to obtain a copy of thyast Chenists' and Druggis'ts' Diary, as your legal knowlge of the trade is evidently very crude; and we do not c to aiswer such very elementary questions.

22/49. Tart. puts this case:-A purchased certain ods of $B$, and paid by cheque drawn on a bank at $S$ in four of $B$ or his order, the cheque being crossed. The ods proved unsatisfactory, and A stopped payment of the el we. $B$ endorsed the cheque and presented it at a bank W (where neither he nor the drawer had an aecount) nd obtained payment in cash. Can the bank, as holders ow maintain an action against $A$, the drawer?
[There are several ways of crossing cheques, but we as me that A merely crossed his cheque with double lines o he words "\& Co." It is a common practice amongst co ry bankers to cash cheques for people they know, and the ict that the cheque is simply crossed makes no differenee. be bankers at $W$ are, therefore, innocent holders for value nd can certainly recover the amount of the cheque again $A$. Perhaps, however, if A shows fight they will make $B$ by, and then $A$ can set up against $B$, whatever defence heias about the goods.]

## MISCELLANEOUS INQUIRIES.

A large mumber of correspondents ask us for formula roch have already becn published in this journal. It in ot fair to more eareful rcaders that ne should fregnely repeat such information, and so long as the back nun. 78 containing the formula, or replics required, are in $1^{n t}$ ne must decline to do so. Back numbers of our $u$ ly issuc can be obtained from the publisher at 4d. cach.

Clay's Chian Turpentine Mixture.-The formula or this will be found in our issue of December 17, 1887, p. 8. (20/28. IV.J. A.)

Soluble Essence of Lemon.-All that can be said a ht this will be found on p. 233 of the current volume. (22. Cale. Chlor.)

Fire-grenade Solution.-A formula is given on r. 0 of our issue of July 30, 1887. (19/53. S. F.J.)

T taraline.-See reply to J. B., p. 270 of current volume 19. Zingari.)
B) Bitters.-Formula last given October 22, 1887, p. 529. 18. Aloes.)

B ing Powder.-See our issue of November 5 last, . 5 (20/42. Menthol.)
In iarubber Cement.-See p. 113 of current volume. 24. W. Q.)

N sery Hair Lotion.-See p. 94 of this volume.
(23/3.
IF. D.)
C surless Tincture of Iodine.-A formula for this will f ad on pp. 284 and 813 of last volume. (23/3. W. G. D.) R pini's Styptic.-See formula_in our issue of Dec. 24, 88\%). 823.

## Books.

213. West Indies.-See Reviews in last week's issue. or nning and other matters in reference to leather, see Vat "Art of Leather Manufacture" (Crosby Lockwood, 2s. \%).
2c. P. A.-Worshoven's Technological Dictionary, Eng h-German and German-English; two parts in one Wizker \& Co., 5s.).
214. Seidlitz.-For names of medical books suitable for her ts, see our issue of January 28, p. 142.

7/. (1). H. Cowan.-The oil which you send is not chaulaug oil, which is solid at ordinary temperatures and has pe liar odour. As far as we can judge from the characters f tl sample it closely resembles ben oil (Moringa sp.).
(2Lanoline Pomade:-

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\begin{array}{llllll}
\text { Lanoline (anlyydrous) } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & \text { a. } & \text {.. } 6 \mathrm{oz} . \\
\text { Vaseline .. } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } & \text {.. } \\
1 \mathrm{oz} .
\end{array}
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Me Stir until nearly cold, adding theц 6 drops of oil of ylang-ylang.
146. W. G. sends a sample of Foot-rot Paste, said to ev efficacious. We find in it a solid fat (lard apparently), inst oil, resin, turpentine, and acetate of copper. Try the olleing formula:-

| Lard | -. | . | - |  |  |  | oz. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Linseed oil | - | .. | .. | .. |  | 2 |  |
| Resin | .. | . | . | . | . | 1 |  |
| Turpentine | . | . | . | . |  | 1 |  |
| Acetate of co |  |  | W |  |  | 4 |  |

Nedle lard, linseed oil, and resin together. Rub the verdigris in a arrt with the turpentine, and mix with the fats. If too stiff, soften with qual urts of linseed oil and turpentine.

1]. F. G. G. sends some crystals which have been lepi ted from " a solution used for saturating petroleum lamp vicl to render them less combustible. It not only answers his urpose, but makes the flame whiter and almost smokeess. The solution contained (he believes) borax, alum, Prusin blue, and another substance." The crystals sent give 10 indication of what that substance may be. We find $\mathrm{nt]} n$ a mere trace of borax, but sulphate of alumina and ulp te of soda in abundance. These, with a little adherent Prusan blue, are what the crystals are composed of.
218. Pots.-The liquid is apparently a solution of aspl t in petroleum spirit, perfumed with nitro-benzol.
1.4. Rye Lane.-Brass Paste.-Oxalic acid, 2 oz . ; soft soal $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. ; sweet oil, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb.; turpentine, 1 oz .; rotten stone, $4 \frac{1}{2} 1$. ; boiling water, 16 oz . Dissolve the acid in the water, add ie rotten stone, and finally the other ingredients.
1.1. Menthol sends a large bottle containing a small qua ity of a proprietary preparation of which he wishes us to 'aake an analysis and give formula with quantities of
each ingredient." We have no guarantee whatever that the substance sent is what it is said to be, and sbould not think of publishing any report of a particular proprietary preparation which was not based on the examination of an original sealed package: this we can purchase if we think it necessary. (2) French perfumes should be diluted with $a^{2}$ mixture of rectified spt. ( 60 o.p.), 20 oz . and distilled water, 3 oz . Four parts of the perfume may be mixed with one part of this mixture without perceptibly altering the character of the perfume, but further dilution is not desirable.
T. L.-See reply to "Menthol." Macassar Oil is said to be made with oil of ben (Moringa sp.), each pint of which coloured with alkanet is perfumed with oils of rosemary and origanum (white), of each 3 j. ; oil of nutmeg, 15 drops ; otto of rose, 15 drops; oil of neroli, 6 drops ; essence of musk, 5 drops. The oil of the seeds of Schleichera trijuga is also known as Macassar oil.

13/2. Codeia.-Liq. Eucalypti Rostratm should mix perfectly with distilled water, as it is a watery liquid extract of the gum made without the addition of spirit. Alcohol dissolves the "kino red," \&c., contained in the gum, which is precipitated on the addition of water. This doubtless accounts for the results which you have obtained.

14/59. Aurantii.-Elixir Aurantii, U.S.P.-Pour $2 \frac{1}{2}$ fluid drachms of oil of orange on half an ounce of absorbent cotton, tease the cotton so as to distribute the oil, then pack it in a funnel and filter through it a sufficiency of a mixture of rectified spt. 22 oz . and water 48 oz ., until 65 oz . of filtrate are obtained. In this dissolve 25 oz . of sugar.

13/67. Ung. Simplex.-The following is an excellent ap plication for Dandruff:-Hydrarg. oxid. flav., gr. x.; hydrarg. ammoniat., gr. iv. ; ung. camphoræ, $\tilde{3}^{\text {ss. }}$; ung. simplicis, Ziss.; ol. neroli, gtt. iij.; otto rosæ, gtt. ij. Fiat unguentum. 'To be used as a pomade. Please observe that your other queries are not asked in accordance with the rules of our Correspondence columns, which are strictly observed.

14/8. Medicus.-Some years ago Cod-liver Oil Dragees were introduced by Dr. Vivian, a French physician. These are probably what are meant by the granular form. Inquire of Roberts \& Co. regarding them.

14/6. Zingib.-By "botanic stout" we presume that a dark-coloured herb-beer is meant. Numerous formula for essences for making this beverage have been published-in last volume, pp. 29 and 304, for example.

17/26. R. H. Cumine.-See page 333, under Miscellaneous Inquiries.

14/21. T. L. Augier.-The colour developed when tincture of perchloride of iron is mixed with tincture of nux vomica is due to the formation of igasurate of iron; tincture of digitalis contains tannin, therefore gives a blackish colour with ferric salts. The purple colour of mixtures of the perchloride of iron and carbolic acid is also due to combination of the iron with the acid. Observe reply to "Ung. Simplex."

20/26. Raithby.-Black Paint for Niggers' Faces.-A mixture of burnt cork and lard is generally used. The following is a more elegant formula :-

| Best lamp-black .. | .. | .. | .. 1 drachm |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cocoa butter | .. | .. | .. | .. 3 drachms |  |
| Olive oil .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 3 ". |
| Oil of neroli | .. | .. | .. | . | 2 drops |

Melt the oil and butter, add the lamp-black, anil stir constantly as the mixture cools, adding the perfume towards the cnd.

Red Colour for Sausages.-The red colour for sausages is obtained from cam wood. C. H. Southwell, Pi.C.

20/3. X. I. Z.-The substance is naphthalin. It has a preservative action, no doubt.

Tinct. Podophylli Sol.-This is made by using aromatic spirit of ammonia instead of the rectified spirit of the Pharmacopceia. Another method is as follows :-

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& \text { Podoplyyllum root, in coarse powder } \\
& \text { Light carbonate of magnesia } \\
& \text { Proof spirit .. } \\
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& \frac{1}{2}, \\
& \text {. . }
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Mix the magnesin and powdered root, and make into a paste with the proof spirit. Pack in a percolator, and after twenty-four hours' maceration percolate with proof spirit until 1 pint of the tincture is obtained.

11/56. Tenex.-Bird lime.-The factitious article is made by boiling linseed oil until it becomes viscous; then pour it into water and, if too thick, add a little Archangel tar. From the middle bark of the holly and young shoots of the elder it is made by boiling either of these in water for eight hours, or until soft and tender. Then it is placed under stones in a pit for a few weeks. During this time it becomes mucilaginous. Finally, it is pounded in a mortar until uniform, and preserved under water.

12/33. Dentist.-Platinum Amalgam.-This is an unusual tooth-stopping, as the amalgam is difficult to prepare. The best way to make it is to dissolve 30 grains of platinic chloride in as little water as possible, then pour into the solution 100 grains of sodium amalgam containing 1 per cent. of sodium. The platinum amalgam is formed on standing, and is to be carefully washed from the products of decomposition. To stop teeth with it, soften the amalgam in hot water, and, the cavity having been thoroughly cleaned out, press in the amalgam bit by bit with the stopping tool until the tooth is filled. It is not a satisfactory stopping; nor, indeed, is any amalgam. Gold-leaf is the best stopping.

18/73. Alncs.-(1) The material of which you send us an analysis appears to be very suitable for a cement or plaster, provided it is mixed with a proper proportion of lime. The value of the material can only, however, be determined by actual expcriment. (2) A mixture of hard paraffin, 4 parts, and yellow wax, 1 part, coloured with alkanet, is a good modelling material.

19/10. Cortcx. -See reply to "Spes" in last week's issue.

18/63. Snan.-The process of manufacturing Condensed Milk is briefly as follows:-When received at the factory the milk is first carefully strained, then heated by means of hot water to a temperature of $150^{\circ}$ to $175^{\circ}$ Fahr. and again strained. It is now gradually heated to the boiling point, sugar added in the proportion of $1 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{lb}$. to each gallon of milk, then the whole carefully condensed to about a fourtl of its bulk in a vacuum pan. At this point the milk is run into receiving cans, kept cool by means of cold water, and stirred constantly until a temperature of $70^{\circ} \mathrm{Fahr}$. is reached-then it is tinned.

21/35. Kingston.-Condy's Fluid is a solution of permanganate of soda.

19,47. Perplexed.-To clarify the Lime Juice try the following plan:-Soak $\frac{1}{2}$ oz. of Russian isinglass in a pint of the juice, stirring frequently until the isinglass ceases to swell. Then transfer the isinglass to three or four gallons of the juice, mix well, and set aside to settle. The addition of a certain proportion of alcobol is necessary to preserve the juice clear, and a little salicylic or boric acid is also beneficial.

19/52. F. G.-To become an L.S.A. the orainary idical curriculum of forty-five months' study must be gone tilugh, and the subjects to be passed are essentially the same shose of other examinations for a medical diploma. The Preliinary and Minor examination subjects are, as recently expined, accepted pro tanto in lieu of the corresponding sub ts of the medical Preliminary, but not the professional examilion. For full particulars regarding medical study see our laillducational number (Scptember 17, 1887).

Sussex sends a sample of Writing Ink made accorcig to the formula given in our issue of February 4, which is sted to be the formula of Duncan \& Flockhart's ink. The ink rites a pale green colour. That is the principal objection 1 this ink, but "Sussex" will have noticed that on exposi the writing becomes of a jet-black colour. The colour iy be madc into a more definite blue by adding to each pint the ink 60 to 90 grains of indigo carmine ; shake well oc ionally for a day, and allow to settle. This is the plan ink already made, but in making it afresh omit the indig aste and half of the sulphuric acid.

Black Eyes.-A Nencastle Correspondent $(20,25)$ irms us that Dr. Jeaffreson, at a recent lecture there on the "se," said the speedy treatment for a black eye was aln's at hand, namely, the application at the cold lamp-post.

20/49. March.-Cocaine for Tooth Extraction One grain of pure hydrochlorate of cocaine dissolved in 15 I ims of water is injected into the gum my means of a hypor mic syringe a few minutes before the operation. See rema by Mr. Stocken on page 364 of our last issue.

22/41. F. C.—Spt. 疋ther. Hoffmann.-You will tice ky referring to the Pharmacolœia that Hoffmann's ar yne is spt. æther. comp. The German Pharmacopoia, ho ver, gives the simple solution of ether in spirit.

20/33. J. R. G.-Gum Asphalt is ordinary asphalt, ; ked and purified by melting and straining.

21/18. F.D. (Budapest).-(1) Lavender Water.- 1 of lavender, 4 drachms; oil of bergamot, $\frac{1}{2}$ drachm; of lemon, $\frac{1}{2}$ drachm ; musk, 2 grains; light carbonate of agnesia, 2 drachms ; rose water, 2 oz .; rectified spirit, oz. Allow to stand for at least a fortnight, shaking occasio $\mathrm{Hy}_{1}$ and filter. (2) Javande Royale Ambrée:-Oil of lav ler, $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{oz}$. ; essence of ambergris, 1 oz ; tincture of musk, $12 . ;$ oil of neroli, 10 drops; rectified spirit to 30 oz . Dige for two weeks and filter.

22/66. Subscriber. -You cannot make a Graph Ink ith ordinary writing ink; aniline colours must be used $g$. aniline violet, Sj.; methylated spirit, $5 v j$. ; water, $\mathrm{Jij} . ;$ of lavender, 2 drops. Mix and dissolve.

22/2. Capsicum.-Instructions for the manufactu of lozenges and jujubes are given in "The Art of Phara. $\mathrm{y}^{\prime}$ (C. \& D. Diary, 1887), also in "Baily's Physician's Phe ta. copcia" (Churchill, 3s. 6d.). See also the paper bi Ir. W yatt, of Liverpool, which we published a few weeks a

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