



A. R. L. DOHME

ALFRED ROBERT LOUIS DOHME.

Dr. A. R. L. Dohme succeeded to the office of First Vice-President of the American Pharmaceutical Association at the close of the Indianapolis meeting; by the passing away of our lamented President, Charles Holzhauer, the duty of presiding over the Association comes to the subject of this brief sketch.

He, this year, passed the fiftieth mile post of life and is the son of the late Charles E. Dohme (President of the A. Ph. A., 1898-1899). His birthplace is marked by the present site of Sharp & Dohme, which in 1867 was occupied by the retail pharmacy, conducted and owned by Alpheus P. Sharp, Charles E. and Louis Dohme, all of whom have left valuable records of their pharmaceutical qualifications and accomplishments in the American Pharmaceutical Association and for the benefit of American pharmacy.

Until 1883, A. R. L. Dohme attended the Friends School of Baltimore, when he graduated, and thereupon entered Johns Hopkins University as a student of chemistry and physics in the undergraduate department. In 1886 he received the degree of A.B. and in 1889 the Ph.D. degree at the latter institution. Following these years he went abroad and studied at the University of Berlin, Strassburg, Paris, and at the Analytical Laboratories of Wiesbaden, under Fresenius, giving continuous attention to pharmaceutical assaying, though his special research work was concerned with chemistry, botany and pharmacognosy. In 1890, he returned to Baltimore and established the pharmaceutical assay laboratory of the corporation of which he is now the president. In these activities, he did not at once accept of the higher responsibilities but advanced step by step, serving in every department of the business.

In the revision of the U. S. Pharmacopoeia VIII, Dr. Dohme presided over the Committee on Proximate Assays, was secretary of the Revision Committee and is also a member of the present one, of U. S. P. IX. It is impossible at this time to summarize his work justly and therefore the readers are referred to the Proceedings of the Association. He joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1891, was chairman of the Scientific Section in 1894-1895; he is president of the Baltimore Drug Exchange, a member of the executive committee of the American Drug Manufacturers Association and of the National Drug Trade Conference, and an ex-president of the Maryland Pharmaceutical Association.

Dr. Dohme has been president for more than five years of the City-wide Congress, the leading organization of Baltimore that looks after improving the government, beauty and general civic affairs. He is vice-president of the Baltimore Museum of Art, chairman of the Grand Opera Committee of Baltimore, and a member of many leading literary and social clubs and societies of his home city.

Dr. and Mrs. Dohme enjoy the comforts of a large estate and a beautiful residence, "Chestnutwood," near Baltimore, the scene of a garden party during the convention of the National Wholesale Druggists' Association in Baltimore, October 1916.

Six daughters and one son grace the Dohme family circle.

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