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MEDICAL BOOZE.

Under above caption a daily newspaper recently came dangerously near classing druggists among bootleggers. F. W. E. Stedem protested and also the Editor of the JOURNAL, and, as a result, an editorial answer was printed in the paper referred to—denying the intent of "charging responsibility either upon the medical or pharmacal professions as a whole." The next paragraph of the editorial is printed in full:—

"Certainly the majority either of physicians or of pharmacists are not to be classed with the bootleggers. But the Volstead act has set up an anomalous condition, which invites citizens, chafing under prohibition, to scheme in deceit and to prevail upon their physicians and upon their druggists to supply them with contraband beverages. It has been the confession of many a reputable physician or druggist that it has been impossible to draw the line between the necessary and unnecessary prescriptions. And naturally the opportunity for illicit business is an incentive to the disreputable practitioners of either profession."

Liberty was also taken in directing the newspaper's attention to the editorials on pp. 293 and 481, Volume XII, JOURNAL A. PH. A. The editorial answer was headed—"Volstead and The Druggist."

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS, U.S.P.X.†

Chairman E. Fullerton Cook of the Committee of Revision of U. S. Pharmacopœia has submitted a further list of admissions and deletions, printed herewith. The comments heretofore received have been carefully considered by the Referee Committee on Scope. A number of titles have been rediscussed and some are still before the Committee for final action. Comments on the lists submitted should be sent to Chairman E. Fullerton Cook, 636 So. Franklin Square, Philadelphia, Pa.

ADMISSIONS.

Acetum Scillæ; Althæa; *Ammonii Salicylas; *Bismuthi Subsalicylas; *Caffeina Citrata; *Calcii Glycerophosphas; Carbon Tetrachloride; Ceratum; Ceratum Cantharidis; *Cimicifuga; *Diacetylmorphinae Hydrochloridum; Emplastrum Belladonnæ; Emplastrum Cantharidis; *Extractum Cimicifugæ; *Extractum Malti; Fluidextractum Belladonnæ Foliorum (new, not in U. S. P. IX. The Fluidextract of the Root is also official); *Fluidextractum Sarsaparillæ; Fluidextractum Scillæ; Fluidextractum Uvæ Ursi.

Ipomœa Orizabensis (to replace Scammony); Liquor Zinci Chloridi; *Maltum; Massa Ferri Carbonatis; Pilulæ Phosphori; Quinidinæ Sulphas; Quinine Ethyl-carbonate ("Euquinine"); *Sarsaparilla; Spiritus Aetheris Nitrosi; *Syrupus Sarsaparillæ Compositus; Terebenum; Tinctura Cantharidis; Tinctura Limonis Corticis; Tinctura Lobeliæ; Tinctura Tolutana; Tinctura Valerianæ Ammoniata; Tinctura Zingiberis; Unguentum Hydrargyri Nitratis.

The following general articles will be included: Aquae; Aquæ Aromaticæ; Decocta; Extracta; Fluidextracta; Infusa; Suppositoria; Tincturae; Triturationes.

"DELETIONS."

The following additional titles, official in the U. S. P. IX, have not been admitted to the Tenth Revision:—Acidum Oleicum; Col-

[†] See lists previously published.

^{*} These titles were announced as deletions but have since been admitted.

lodium Cantharidatum; Extractum Aconiti; Extractum Gentianæ; Extractum Opii; Fluidextractum Aconiti; Fluidextractum Gentianæ; Fluidextractum Lobeliæ; Fluidextractum Nucis Vomicæ; Fluidextractum Veratri Viridis; Linimentum Terebinthinæ; Liquor Sodii Glycerophosphatis.

Oleatum Hydrargyri; Oleoresina Cubebæ; Oleum Sesami; Opium Deodoratum; Pilulae Ferri Iodidi; Pilulæ Rhei Compositus; Pulvis Aromaticus; Scammoniæ Radix (Replaced by Ipomoea Orizabensis); Serum Antidiphthericum Siccum; Serum Antitetanicum Siccum; Spiritus Juniperi Compositus; Tinctura Cannabis; Tinctura Cinnamoni; Trochisci Cubebæ; Trochisci Potassii Chloratis.

PERSONAL AND NEWS ITEMS.

Dr. Frederick B. Kilmer has established a fellowship research in Pharmacognosy and Plant Chemistry in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. The annual income is about \$400, and the Scholarship applies to post graduate work.

F. B. Power, Chemist in Charge of Phytochemical Investigations, Bureau of Chemistry, U. S. Department of Agriculture, and V. K. Chesnut are making an investigation of the odorous principles of the cotton plant. This work is carried on in coöperation with the Bureau of Entomology.

Charles O. Lee, in a letter to American Druggist, November issue, reports the loss by fire of the main hospital building, of Wuhu General Hospital, China. Mr. Lee retains his membership in the A. Ph. A., and will be remembered for his work in the Sections.

Samuel W. Fairchild was chairman of a special chemical manufacturing group participating in the Red Cross Roll Call, New York City.

W. A. Hover, Denver, Col., is taking a wellearned rest for several months. Mr. Hover has been a member of the Association for many years. His interest in Denver meetings and in members who stopped over in going to conventions further west will be remembered by those to whom these hospitalities were extended.

Joseph L. Lemberger, veteran member of the American Pharmaceutical Association (1858), has not been very well recently; however, Mr. Gleim reports that he is gaining strength.

John H. Webster, President of the National Association of Retail Druggists, was the recipient of congratulations and of resolutions of appreciation at the recent meeting of Detroit Branch, A. Ph. A. See minutes in this issue.

A French pharmacist poet-laureate dedicated a poem to the memory of Pharmacist **Willot**, whose monument was recently unveiled at Lille, France.

• The father of protozoölogy and bacteriology, Antonius van Leeuwenhoek, was born August 26, 1723. The great microscopist is said to have had 247 microscopes with 419 lenses, most of which he himself ground. F. H. Garrison has summarized the former's accomplishments in his History of Medicine.

John Harrison, first successful manufacturer of sulphuric acid, was born in Philadelphia, December 17, 1773. The manufacturing establishment grew out of the drug business owned by Mr. Harrison and, later, the successors branched out into the manufacture of paints. It is of interest to note that the first platinum stills for this founder of an industry were manufactured by Eric Bollman, to replace glass concentration retorts.

"The Oldest Apothecary Shop in Boston" was written up and illustrated in the Boston Evening Transcript of September 22—the week before the National Association of Retail Druggists held its Silver Jubilce at the Massachusetts capital. The store was founded by Thomas Hollis in 1821, and still does business under the name of Thomas Hollis & Co., at 23 Union Street, where it has been since 1826. Thomas Hollis attended the earlier meetings of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

"The Compleat Chymical Dispensatory"written in Latin by Dr. John Schroder and Englished by William Rowland, printed by John Darby in 1669, bound in sheep by Clarke and Bedford, London-was presented, recently, to the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science by the widow of the late Prof. Joseph P. Remington. The book was originally owned by William Penn, as evidenced by his bookplate opposite the title page and his characteristically autographed initials on the title page "W. P. 92," evidently showing the date of its acquisition, and two other autographed initials, one on page 545 in the body of the text, and one on the final page.

Ex-President E. L. Patch has replied to the round robins from Asheville, the messages, etc., expressing his appreciation of these remembrances. He was the presiding officer at the former Asheville Convention.

Johnson & Johnson are sending out copies of the code of ethics, as adopted by the American Pharmaceutical Association, in booklet form. The foreword states:—"As you read these principles you will better understand the full significance of the pharmacy slogan, "Your Druggist Is More Than a Merchant."

Burroughs Wellcome & Co. have become settled in their new office building, 9 & 11 E. 41st Street, New York City.

McKesson & Robbins have discontinued the sale of the general line of "patent medicines" and sundries, and will devote their attention to the lines of their own production in drugs, chemicals, sundries, etc.; no change in location, offices, factories, etc., is contemplated.

An executive committee meeting of the

American Druggists' Fire Insurance Company was held November 19–20 in Cincinnati for making preliminary arrangements for the annual meeting. The Central Parkway Bond Issue was defeated at the November election along with other bond issues, however, the vote for the former was fully 17,000 ahead of the latter, and there is reasonable assurance of approval in April. The early erection of the Home Office Building depends upon the necessary bond issue to improve the Central Parkway.

Standard Remedies has recently purchased the *Proprietary Record*, formerly published by the Lightner Publishing Company of Chicago. The office of *Standard Remedies* is now in Washington, in Star Building.

OBITUARY.

LOUIS L. STAEHLE.

Louis L. Staehle, member of the American Pharmaceutical Association, one of the founders of the New Jersey College of Pharmacy and for many years its treasurer, died at his home in South Orange on the evening of November 14th. Mr. Staehle was born in Short Hills, New Jersey, November 19, 1858, and was the son of Louis L. Staehle and Mary Traumiller. He came to Newark with his parents at the age of 10, and was graduated from the New York College of Pharmacy in 1876. His first position was with Dr. Fridolin Ill, in Newark. Three years later he entered the drug business and at one time had three stores. At the time of his death he was still in business at 169 South Orange Avenue.

He was a member of the Board of Governors of the Women and Children's Hospital, an institution with which he was associated from the time of its foundation. He took care of the pharmaceutical dispensary at this institution up to the time of his last illness. He was a director of the Bethany Home for the Aged in Irvington and was vice president of the New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association.

Mr. Staehle is survived by his wife and two sons, Herman V. and Dr. Richard H. Staehle of Newark, as well as four brothers and three sisters. The funeral services were conducted at Christ Presbyterian Church. Saturday, November 17th.

Through the death of Mr. Staehle, the New Jersey College of Pharmacy lost one of its staunchest friends and the New Jersey State Pharmaceutical Association, likewise, suffers the loss of an ardent worker.—R. P. F.

John W. Parry, vice-president and secretary of Merck & Co., New York, died at his home in Mt. Vernon, N. Y., on October 29. He was 66 years old, having been born in Lancashire, England, in 1857. Mr. Parry entered the employ of the company 40 years ago.

C. M. Chism, father of our fellowmember, J. S. Chism of Wichita, Kas., died October 17, after a lingering illness, aged 79 years.

IN MEMORY OF JOHN FRANCIS HAN-COCK WHO JOINED THE AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION IN 1863 AND WAS ELECTED ITS PRESIDENT IN 1873.

H. V. ARNY.

The present president of the American Pharmaceutical Association desires to register this tribute of appreciation and of affection to the good man who last month was our oldest living ex-president. A span of fifty years stretched from the term of Dr. Hancock to the term of the present president; a period not often thus attained in association work.

And yet those of us who were honored by the friendship of Dr. Hancock could searcely realize that fifty years had slipped by since our dear friend had occupied the presidential chair, for even in his later years he was with us at most of our annual meetings and seemed as alert in his interest in our association as were his juniors.

A rarely choice man was our dear friend, a veritably gentle man. It was a blessed privilege to know so kindly, so good a person and we feel that a benign influence has been taken from us.