V. SUMMARY.

- 1.—Prerequisite legislation has had a fair test. It has been in operation in New York for twenty-three years and in other states for shorter periods. No serious efforts have been made to repeal these laws or regulations. The results have been satisfactory to the public and the pharmacists of those states. There has been no shortage of clerks nor have clerks' wages been unduly advanced. Entrance requirements to the colleges have been increased with the result that a better educated class of young men are entering pharmacy.
- 2.—Public welfare demands that the pharmacist be well trained. This training is not unduly expensive. Ambitious and energetic young men may be partly self-supporting while attending the schools of pharmacy. Quiz courses and courses by mail do not give the right training. Self-trained men are unlikely to be well trained.
- 3.—The present and future welfare of pharmacy demand better preparation both preliminary and professional on the part of the young men entering its ranks. The underlying sciences and the related medical branches are developing rapidly. Pharmacy must keep up or lose caste altogether.
- 4.—Prerequisite legislation has come in most states. It is better that pharmacists should direct it and adjust it to their conditions rather than to have it framed by outsiders. Properly drawn "Prerequisite Laws" will work no hardship on anyone.



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Home of Joseph Priestley and grave at Northumberland, Pa.

Joseph Priestley died at Northumberland February 6, 1804. The American Chemical Society was organized after a visit to Priestley's grave; a large number of those in attendance were pharmacists, members of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

DRUGGISTS' RESEARCH BUREAU.

Bulletin No. 6 of the Druggists' Research Bureau presents the results of the first nation-wide census ever made of toilet stocks carried by retail druggists. Tables show the typical or usual number of brands of toilet goods carried, the varied assortments in the lines listed, the sizes and styles. Other tabulations are based on the ratio and proportions of the items carried in stores doing a varying amount of business, and in cities of different populations.

The Druggists' Research Bureau has established a direct mailing list for its research publications; retail druggists may have their names placed upon this list by the payment of \$2.00—the office is 51 Maiden Lane, New York City.