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when one of these containers is opened the whole of the contents must be used at once. The preparation and control of tinctures and other preparations of digitalis will be subject to the conditions prescribed in the Codex for other preparations. The question of digitalis preparations for veterinary use is under consideration.—*Quarterly Journal of Pharmacy and Pharmacology*.

**THE ANTIQUITY OF THE DRUG STORE LOAFER.**

In digging out an apothecary's shop in Pompeii the workmen brought to light a notice that confronted visitors to the place two thousand years ago: "Otiosis non est locus; discede, morator." "This is no place for idlers. Loafer, get out!"