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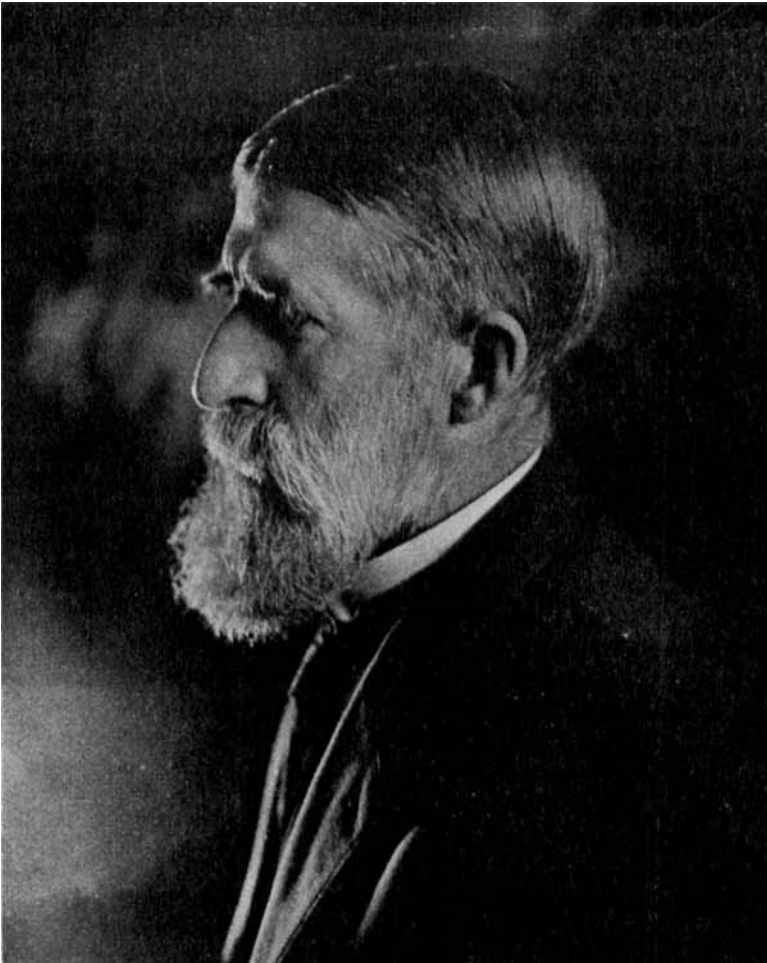
HONORARY PRESIDENT, A. PH. A., 1930-1931.

Elie H. La Pierre was born in Wolcottville, now Torrington, Connecticut, of Canadian-American parents. Soon after his birth the family moved to Burlington, Vermont, where they resided for some years. After the father's death the family removed to Cambridge, Massachusetts, where Professor La Pierre has since resided.

After serving his apprenticeship in pharmacy with J. Ward Hill, a druggist of Cambridge, the young La Pierre entered the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, from which he was graduated with the Class of 1880. After graduation he continued to work for the firm of Bayley and Richardson, successors to Mr. Hill, for about seven years, and then purchased the store from Mr. Bayley, who had bought out Mr. Richardson, and in 1893 moved it to 80 River Street where it has remained ever since. He has served the community as employee and owner of this store for about sixty years. In 1909 the La Pierre Drug Company was incorporated and at one time it owned five neighborhood stores in Cambridge and Boston, but two of these have been sold in recent years.

In 1882 Professor La Pierre became a member of the Corporation of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, and he has served the College devotedly since that time: as Trustee, 1888-1892; Instructor in *Materia Medica* and Botany, 1892-1896; and Professor of Pharmacy, 1896 to the present time. He has also served a term as president of the Alumni Association and has been auditor of that organization for many years.

He has been a member of the AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION since 1892 and he served on the Council and on the Committee on Finance for several years. He was president of the Massachusetts State Pharmaceutical Association, 1904-1905, and was vice-president of the American Conference of Pharmaceutical Faculties, 1909-1910, acting as President at the Richmond meeting in 1910 because of the death of the president, William H. Searby.



ELIE H. LA PIERRE.

Professor La Pierre has long been active in civic affairs in his home city, having served for many years on the Cambridge Board of Health, as a Trustee of the Cambridge Hospital, and in other ways.

Always a hard worker, with a genial and sympathetic nature, and a rare devotion to the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and its students, Professor La Pierre has the admiration and affection of his associates and students to an unusual degree. Mrs. La Pierre has been his constant companion and is well known to members of pharmaceutical organizations whose meetings they have attended together. They have two married daughters and several grandchildren.

With all his varied activities, Professor La Pierre has remained a professional pharmacist of the highest type, and has earned a prominent place in the long line of workers for the best interests of pharmacy in New England.—T. J. BRADLEY.

FLUECKIGERIANA.

BY EDWARD KREMBERS.

V. Flueckiger letters to Power, 1882-1890.*

Baden-Baden, Oct. 23, 1884.

MY DEAR FRIEND:

I have to thank you for your interesting papers on "hydrastine" (1) and the "Development of Chemistry" (2) which came duly to hand as well as, several months ago, your letter of the 20th May. In the letter you mentioned the possibility of an english, or more correctly american edition of my "Pharmaceutische Chemie" (3). I must apologize for not having yet replied, but may state now, that such a prospect would be very agreeable to me—provided you can save so much time. I am engaged in the work, but very slowly progressing, so that the new edition, in all probability, will be printed not before the year 1886. I am no longer able to work as fast as I would like to do and the book must be thoroughly and carefully revised. I shall inform you in due time when I shall be nearly ready to go to press.

As to your translation of the "Chinariden" I see that it is now appreciated in the leading english medical journals, as for instance in the *Lancet*. I am pleased also to see that your great analytical work which you published jointly with Dr. Hoffmann (4), is a splendid success.

I am here (5) using hot air baths and a medical treatment for hoping to get rid of severe rheumatic pains: I had a very sharp attack a fortnight ago. At the same time I am avoiding the noisy festivities at Strassburg where they are about to inaugurate the new University building (6), which are indeed most splendid.

Dr. Meyer is still my assistant, no better employment having made its appearance although he has already published several excellent pamphlets (7).

My wife joins in kindest regards, believe me to remain

Yours very truly,

F. A. FLUECKIGER.

(1) "Hydrastine." A paper read at the Milwaukee meeting of the A. Ph. A., August 28, 1884 and published in the *Proc. A. Ph. A.* (1884), page 448; also in the *Pharm. Rundschau*, 2, page 212.

(2) "The Development of Chemistry and Its Relation to Pharmacy." An address delivered before the second Madison meeting of the Wisconsin Pharmaceutical Association, August 6, 1884. *Proc. W. P. A.* (1884), page 49. Also published in *The Druggist*, vol. 6, page 199.

(3) Flueckiger's *Pharmaceutische Chemie* made its first appearance in 1879.

(4) A manual of chemical analysis by Fr. Hoffmann and F. B. Power. Published in 1883 by Henry C. Lea's Son & Co. of Philadelphia.

(5) Baden-Baden as becomes apparent from the date. This was at the beginning of the fall semester. Hence the indisposition must have been rather serious, otherwise Professor Flueckiger would not have left his institute and also missed the festivities referred to in the next sentence.

(6) In his *The Kaiser Wilhelm's University of Strassburg*, Dr. Power, in 1897, gave "A Brief Historical Sketch of Its Development and the Celebration of Its Twenty-Fifth Anniversary." *Pharm. Review*, 15, page 127. Dr. Power was at that time Director of the Wellcome Chemical Research Laboratory in London and had made the trip to Strassburg to attend the celebration.

(7) See footnotes 7 and 8 of the previous installment. *THIS JOURNAL*, page 1132.

* Continued from page 1132, October *JOURNAL A. Ph. A.*, 1930.