

New York Board of Health at once started an educational campaign, and one of the main mediums utilized for conveying this information is the public school system. Pamphlets, book-marks, etc., are given to the children, who carry them to their homes. The literature presents old thoughts with new admonitions and deductions; for examples:

"Cover up each cough or sneeze,
If you don't you'll spread disease."

"Walk a mile in the open air twice a day. It will add ten years to your life; if you don't believe it, try it and see."

"You can't overdose yourself with fresh air, and disease germs can't endure it."

Drug-store windows evidence that we have with us again the Russian product with a French appellation.

ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY.

The completion of one hundred years in business is announced by Adam Pfromm and Co., wholesale druggists of Philadelphia. The firm was founded in 1815 by Thomas Wiltberger.

HERMANN HAGER-ABEND.

The New York Deutsche Apotheker Verein devoted its last monthly meeting on January 6 to a celebration of the centenary of Dr. Hermann Hager's birth. The program of addresses included the following: The Life of Hager, by Emil Roller; Hager as a Pharmaceutical Writer, by Otto Raubenhaimer; Hager as a Chemist, by Dr. Friedrich Klein; Reminiscences of Hager, by Dr. Gustav Drobegg.

OBITUARY

HENRY M. BILLINGS. 1832-1915.

Henry M. Billings, a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association for forty-six years (joined 1869), died on October 13, 1915.

HENRY MERRY BILLINGS,

the son of Ebenezer and Mary D. Billings, was born in Boston, Mass., July 21, 1832, and educated in the Brimmer School of that city.

He entered the drug business with his brother, Samuel Janes Billings, who was then conducting a drug store at Great Falls, N. H., and completed his pharmaceutical education with Joseph T. Brown, whose store was located at Washington and Bedford Streets, Boston.

In 1858, when twenty-six years of age, he connected himself with John A. Tarrant & Co., at Greenwich and Warren Streets, New York, in which firm his brother, Samuel J. Billings, had become a partner, but only remained a short time before accepting a position with Thomas Daniels in Toledo, Ohio.

In 1862 he re-entered the employ of the Tarrant concern in New York City, which had meanwhile been incorporated (1861) under the name of Tarrant & Co. Mr. Billings was made superintendent of the company in 1863 and elected to its presidency in 1867, continuing to act as president and superintendent until his resignation in 1879.

He retained an interest in the company, however, until 1892, when he finally retired from active business.

Mr. Billings, while never in robust health, was an energetic worker along conservative lines. Under his able administration the Tarrant business expanded in all directions; when he assumed its management in 1863 it was a comparatively small retail concern, with a limited sale for the Tarrant specialties, which had been originated by James Tarrant, the founder of the business in 1844; when he resigned from active service in 1879 Tarrant & Co. was recognized as one of the leading jobbing drug houses on the west side of New York City, while the Tarrant specialties, under the system of advertising originated by him, had grown until Tarrant's Seltzer-Aperient, the leading specialty, had become one of the largest selling household remedies in the United States and had been successfully introduced into many foreign countries.

Mr. Billings, while a strict business man, had a kind and genial disposition; he was a just and considerate employer, a good neighbor and citizen, a devoted husband, a faithful friend, and was highly esteemed by all those who came in contact with him in business or family life, in church or social circles.



In 1860 he married Miss Ellen F. Andrews, of Hingham, Mass., who survives him.

Shortly after taking up his residence in New York, he became a member of the Church of the Messiah, and was thereafter closely identified with its charitable and educational work until his decease.

Mr. Billings was a great lover of Nature; the open country, the trees, the birds, the flowers appealed to him. For many years he left his New York residence early in June for South Poland, Maine, which he made his summer home, and here, amid the scenes he loved so well and surrounded by appreciative friends, he died on October 13, 1915. The interment was in the family lot at Hingham, Mass.

T. F. M.

HENRY HEIM.

Henry Heim died at his home in Saginaw, Mich., on December 19, 1915. He was born in Saginaw in 1857, in a log house which stood on the site of the building where he and his brother William conducted a drug store for over twenty years, at the corner of Janes Avenue and Third Street. He was a member of the Board of Education for several terms, and gave valuable service to the public school system, especially kindergarten work. He was twice appointed a member of the Michigan State Board of Pharmacy. He became a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1900. He was a member of the Germania Lodge, F. and A. M., and East Side Arbeiter societies. He is survived by his wife, Hannah Hutzel Heim, two daughters, and two sons.

J. W. E.

ANTON VORISEK.

Anton Vorisek died on December 2, 1915, after a brief illness, from pneumonia. He was born in 1872, in Bohemia. He received his pharmaceutical education in the New York College of Pharmacy, graduating in 1898, with the degree of Ph.G., and winning the bronze medal. In 1902 he received the degree of Ph.D.

Mr. Vorisek served throughout the Spanish-American War as pharmacist in the navy. Later he was made an instructor in pharmacy in the New York College of Pharmacy, and became professor of analytical chemistry in 1907.

Mr. Vorisek was the author of "Vorisek's Analytical Chemistry," and was co-author, with Prof. Virgil Coblenz, of a work on volumetrical analysis.

He became a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1915.

He was married and leaves a wife and two children.

J. W. E.

STEPHEN H. BLACK.

Stephen Henley Black, vice-president of Bauer & Black, of Chicago and New York, died at his home in Chicago on January 4, in his fifty-fourth year.

Mr. Black was born in Clinton, Iowa, in 1861, and since 1875 has been actively connected with the drug trade; first in a retail store in Clinton, afterward in the sales departments of wholesale drug houses in the middle West.

Later Mr. Black became associated with manufacturers of plasters and surgical dress-



ings, and was identified with this industry practically from its beginning in this country.

In 1893 the firm of Bauer & Black was organized in Chicago, Mr. Black becoming secretary and sales manager; and from that time until his last illness he devoted his energies to developing the sales organization of that firm.