

p. 1251, on "A Plea for Sanity in Drug Regulation."

#### LETTER OF SECRETARY JOSEPHUS DANIELS.

The following letter will interest the members of the American Pharmaceutical Association:

"Your esteemed favor of November 6th arrived at a time when I was so completely occupied with contracts for a large number of vessels authorized at the last session of Congress, that I was unable to give attention to my personal mail, and, while I thought I had acknowledged the receipt of your letter and expressed my appreciation of the Association's action, it appears that I have overlooked doing so.

"I am gratified to receive the approval of the Association for my action in this matter. The Navy is very proud of its official corps of Hospital Stewards, and I was very glad to assist in bettering their opportunities.

Cordially yours,

(Signed) JOSEPHUS DANIELS."

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This letter was written in response to one from the American Pharmaceutical Association and in recognition of Secretary Daniel's interest in behalf of pharmacists in the Government service (see p. 884, August issue of the JOURNAL A. PH. A., and also p. 1038, October number).

#### BILL FOR RELIEF OF PHARMACISTS IN PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE.

Chairman S. L. Hilton advises that the following bill to fix the pay and allowance of pharmacists in the Public Health Service

has the approval of the Surgeon-General and is satisfactory to the men in the service. Encouragement should be given the measure and members should use their influence with Senators and Congressmen in its behalf. The measure is entitled:

#### A BILL.

To fix the pay and allowance for the pharmacists of the Public Health Service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the pay of the pharmacists of the Public Health Service shall hereafter be at the following annual rates: For pharmacists of the third class, \$1200; for pharmacists of the second class, \$1400; for pharmacists of the first class, \$1600; and pharmacists of the first and second classes shall receive an additional compensation of ten per centum of their annual pay for each five years of service; such additional compensation, however, shall in no case exceed forty per centum.

Section 2. That pharmacists, when on duty at marine hospitals and quarantine stations, shall be entitled to quarters with furniture, fuel, and lights; and when they are on duty at stations where quarters are not furnished them, they shall receive compensation therefor at the rate of \$25 a month; and the allowance of subsistence is hereby abolished.

Section 3. That pharmacists may be placed on waiting orders when they are incapacitated for active duty by reason of age or illness not caused by their own vicious habits. A pharmacist having been on waiting orders longer than two months shall thenceforth, as long as he shall be on waiting orders, receive three-fourths of the pay to which he was entitled at the time when he was placed on waiting orders.

#### OBITUARY.

##### FRANK H. SHURTLEFF.

Frank Hamilton Shurtleff, of Roslindale, Mass., passed away December 2, 1916, after only a few days' illness. Mr. Shurtleff had been in poor health for a year. He was born in Somerset, near Fall River, Mass., fifty years ago. After graduating from the schools in Somerset he came to Boston and his early training as a druggist was obtained with Folger & Co., Washington St. and Worcester Sq., Boston, which was then the best part of the

city. In his later years he went to California, and in 1909 J. G. Godding engaged him and he held the position as manager of the Dartmouth street store. He was a graduate of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association (1914), and a member of the Episcopal Church.

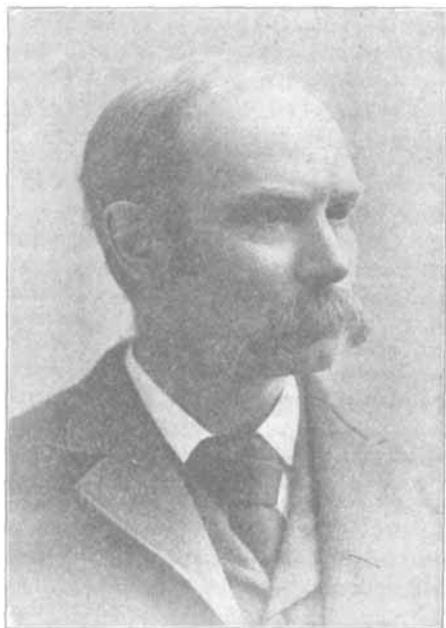
He leaves a widow, two daughters, and a son, a brother and sister.

A. C. WAGNER.

## N. GRAY BARTLETT.

Nicholas Gray Bartlett, one of the pioneer druggists of Chicago, died on Thursday, January 4, 1917, aged 77 years.

Nicholas Gray Bartlett came to Chicago in 1861 from Louisville, Kentucky, his native city. He had previously served an apprenticeship with J. L. Morris & Sons, of Louisville, and had been for a time a student in the Kentucky School of Medicine. Upon his arrival in Chicago, he entered the employ of E. H. Sargent and matriculated at the Chicago College of Pharmacy. The closing of the school on account of the Civil War prevented young Bartlett from completing the course.



N. GRAY BARTLETT

He left Chicago in 1866 and became associated with his brother in the drug business at Keokuk, Iowa. Upon his return to Chicago in 1870, he was chosen professor of chemistry in the Chicago Medical College and shortly afterward was elected professor of chemistry in the Chicago College of Pharmacy and Editor of the *Pharmacist*, a monthly journal published by the college. During his connection with the Chicago College of Pharmacy, extending from 1867 to 1895, he occupied at various times the chairs of chemistry and of pharmacy; served as trustee and three terms as president

of the institution and was one of the leading spirits of the management of its affairs. Professor Bartlett resigned from the faculty of the school in 1895, much to the regret of his colleagues.

When the Chicago College of Pharmacy was taken over by the University of Illinois in 1896, the University, upon the request of the faculty of the school, conferred upon Professor Bartlett the honorary degree of Master of Pharmacy.

Professor Bartlett established himself in the drug business at 22nd St. and Indiana Ave., Chicago, in 1872, and conducted a pharmacy at that location continuously for more than forty years.

He is survived by two sons, Allyn and John Bartlett.

Professor Bartlett joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1864 and afterward became a life member.

Professor Bartlett was a representative of the best type of old-time pharmacists—exceedingly careful and conscientious in his work. He enjoyed the confidence of some of the best-known physicians in Chicago and the patronage of the wealthy people who at one time resided on Michigan Avenue and Prairie Avenue in the neighborhood of his store. With changing conditions this neighborhood of fine homes gave way before the inroads of business and Professor Bartlett could not adapt himself in his later years to the changed surroundings. In fact, he had little taste for commercialism and preferred to add to his income by analytical work and in this he was very expert. He continued this work up to a few months before his death and during the past five years had given much of his time to the manufacture of a dental cement. As a teacher, Professor Bartlett showed the same interest and care that characterized his work as a pharmacist. While he never sought popularity among the students, his classes always had the greatest respect for him and appreciated his ability as a lecturer. His passing leaves another gap in the ranks of the old-time pharmacists who were engaged in the drug business in Chicago before the great fire and those who were so active in the founding and promoting of the old Chicago College of Pharmacy which afterward became the School of Pharmacy of the University of Illinois.

W. B. DAY.

## A. D. THOMPSON.

Albert Delano Thompson, president of the A. D. Thompson Drug Company, Minneapolis, and the Howard Chemical and Manufacturing Company, died recently from apoplectic paralysis. Mr. Thompson was born in St. Stephen, N. B., in 1861 and went to Minneapolis in 1866. He entered the drug business as an employe of the Gray & Hofflin Drug Company. Later the company was changed to the Hofflin-Thompson Drug Company and in 1899 to the A. D. Thompson Drug Company, which operated several retail stores. Mr. Thompson was twice president of the Minneapolis Retail Druggists' Association and once president of the Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association.

Mr. Thompson joined the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1895.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Minneapolis Retailers' Association:

"The Minneapolis Retailers' Association has long recognized and held in high regard the good citizenship of A. D. Thompson and the public spirited interest which he manifested in all matters pertaining to the welfare and progress of Minneapolis;

"He had long been one of the most honored members of this association and had taken an active and interested part in its achievements;

"In the breaking by death of the friendly ties that have long bound the members of this association to A. D. Thompson, the Minneapolis Retailers' Association has suffered a distinct loss that will be long felt and deeply deplored.

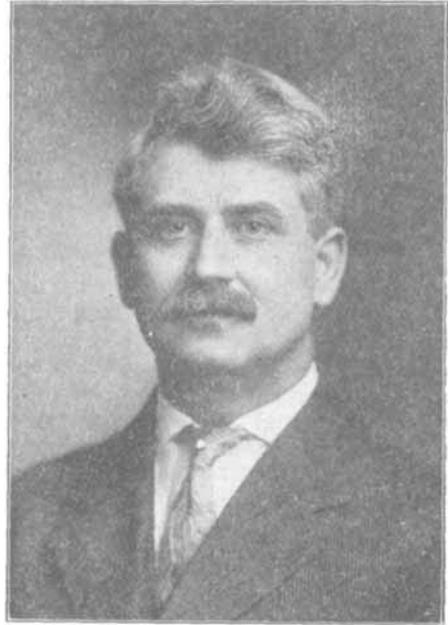
"The Minneapolis Retailers' Association extends its sincere sympathy to the family of A. D. Thompson in the sad bereavement, and to his many friends in their sorrow."

## B. S. COOBAN.

Benjamin Slater Cooban, a prominent druggist of Englewood, Chicago, died De-

ember 31, after a two months' illness of diabetes.

Mr. Cooban was born at Petroleum Center, Pa., in 1866 and after serving an apprenticeship with H. C. Sanderson of Bradford, Pa., came to Chicago in 1888 and enrolled in the Chicago College of Pharmacy, from which he was graduated in 1889. Since 1892, Mr. Cooban conducted a successful drug store at 459 W. 63rd Street.



B. S. COOBAN

He was a member of the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association, Chicago Retail Druggists' Association and of the American Pharmaceutical Association since 1902.

He leaves a father, widow and son; the latter, Frank G. Cooban, attended the University of Illinois College of Pharmacy last year and is a registered assistant pharmacist.

W. B. D.

## SOCIETIES AND COLLEGES.

MEETING OF THE NATIONAL DRUG TRADE CONFERENCE HELD AT THE NEW WILLARD HOTEL, WASHINGTON, D. C., JANUARY 16, 1917.

## FORENOON SESSION.

The President, John C. Wallace, called the meeting to order at 10.25 A.M.

The roll being called, disclosed the following delegates present. Representing the American Pharmaceutical Association:

John C. Wallace, of New Castle, Pa.; S. L. Hilton, Washington, D. C.; J. H. Beal, Urbana, Ill.

Representing the National Wholesale Druggists' Association: