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EXHIBITS OF

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AT THE

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A. Exhibit in Chemical Industries Section-

B. Exhibit in Science Section-

THESE Exhibits are designed to be illustrative of the work accomplished in the Wellcome Chemical Research Laboratories, and in connection therewith it has been deemed of interest to present a concise description of them, in order to indicate the purpose and extent of the scientific researches upon which they are based.

The investigations conducted in these laboratories founded by Mr. Henry S. Wellcome, in 1896, and since then under the direction of Dr. Frederick B. Power —have been of a most varied character and wide range, representing many branches of chemical science. They have comprised, amongst other subjects, the complete chemical examination of a large number of plants or plant products, which, on account of their reputed medicinal value or other properties, have been considered of special interest. The material thus employed, often specially collected for the purpose, includes not only many well-known

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drugs which are indigenous to Europe and North America, but also products from distant lands, such as Africa, India, Australia and the Fiji Islands. This material has yielded a great variety of chemical compounds of considerable interest, while from such products as the essential and fatty oils several new substances have likewise been isolated. In connection with the isolation and characterisation of the more important of these organic compounds, considerable time has been devoted to a study of their constitution. In the domain of synthetic chemistry a number of new organic compounds have been produced, and, amongst the inorganic salts, several have been brought into new forms of combination, whereby through greater uniformity of composition, permanency, or solubility, they have been rendered more suitable for medicinal use.

The detailed results of these investigations have been published for the most part in various scientific periodicals and transactions, such as the *Journal of the Chemical Society* (London); the *Journal of the American Chemical Society*; the *Journal of the Society of Chemical Industry*; the *Pharmaceutical Journal* (London); the *American Journal of Pharmacy*; the *Archiv der Pharmacie*; the *Year-Book of Pharmacy*; and the *Proceedings of the American Pharmaceutical Association*. These published papers, of which a list is appended, are distributed from time to time to those who are thought to be interested in the subjects of which they treat, and to such institutions or libraries as desire to preserve a record of them.

In the following pages an attempt has been made to outline briefly the more important results of the work thus far accomplished. It may be noted, however, that in these Exhibits it has not been possible, from considerations of space, to include all the products of the various investigations, and the specimens have therefore been restricted to a selected number.

I. CHEMICAL INVESTIGATIONS

THE ALKALOIDS OF JABORANDI LEAVES

An extended and exhaustive research was undertaken for the purpose of elucidating the nature of the alkaloids of Jaborandi leaves, with special reference to the chemical constitution of pilocarpine and *iso*pilocarpine. This investigation, which occupied several years, and required the use of large quantities of very valuable material, was finally brought to a successful issue by establishing. for the first time, the true constitution of these alkaloids (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1900, 77, pp. 473-498; 851-860; 1901, 79, pp. 580-602; 1331-1346; 1903, 83, pp. 438-464; 1905, 87, pp. 794-798; also Year-Book of Pharmacy, 1899, pp. 435-441, and British Medical Journal, 1900, pp. 1074-1077).

GLYOXALINE AND PYRAZOLE DERIVATIVES

In connection with the preceding researches on pilocarpine, some new substances, glyoxaline and pyrazole derivatives, were synthetically prepared, and their properties carefully determined (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1903, 83, pp. 464-470).

RESEARCHES ON MORPHINE

In order to ascertain the relationship existing between the physiological action and the chemical constitution of morphine, a number of new derivatives of this alkaloid

were prepared and physiologically tested, and some new products having a chemical structure analogous to that of morphine were also prepared by electro-synthesis. The latter compounds gave rise to considerations involving some interesting points in chemical dynamics (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1900, 77, pp. 1024-1039; 1901, 79, pp. 563-580; 1903, 83, pp. 750-763).

THE CONSTITUTION OF EPINEPHRINE AND

THE SYNTHESIS OF SUBSTANCES ALLIED TO EPINEPHRINE

The active principle of the supra-renal gland has been variously designated as "epinephrin," "adrenalin," and "suprarenin." An investigation of this important medicinal substance was undertaken for the purpose of determining its constitution, and subsequently some compounds allied to epinephrine were prepared by synthetical methods and subjected to physiological tests (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1904, 85, pp. 192-197; 1905, 87, pp. 967-974).

The results of a further research on this subject, entitled : "Syntheses in the Epinephrine Series," are recorded in the Journ. Chem. Soc., 1909, 95, pp. 2113-2126.

SYNTHETIC TROPEINES

The preparation of a number of new tropeines was undertaken in order to determine some points of interest relating to the connection between chemical constitution and physiological action. It had been observed, for example, in the case of pilocarpine, that in contact with aqueous alkalies its characteristic physiological action became very much diminished, and this appeared to be due to a change from the lactone structure to that of the corresponding hydroxy-acid. For the further investigation of this change several new tropeines were prepared and physiologically tested. The general results of the enquiry led to the following conclusions : (1) That the peculiar difference in physiological action between a lactone and its corresponding hydroxy-acid, as exemplified

by pilocarpine and pilocarpic acid, also occurs in the case of a tropeine having a haptophore group similar to that in pilocarpine, namely, terebyltropeine, and also in the case of phthalide-carboxylic tropeine. (2) That Ladenburg's generalisation, so far as it refers to the necessity for a mydriatic tropeine to contain a benzene nucleus, does not strictly hold, since terebyltropeine possesses a distinct mydriatic action. It would appear, however, that the conditions most favourable for the development of the mydriatic action in a tropeine are those stated by Ladenburg, namely, that the acyl group should contain a benzene nucleus and an aliphatic hydroxyl in the side chain having the carboxyl group (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1906, **80**, pp. 357-365).

The Configuration of Tropine and ψ -Tropine and The resolution of Atropine

With the object of definitely establishing the configuration of tropine and ψ -tropine, experiments were conducted on the resolution of these bases, and some of their derivatives, by fractionally crystallising their salts with certain optically active acids. The results of these experiments led to the conclusion that the bases in question are internally compensated compounds. Further and conclusive proof of this conclusion was obtained by a study of the resolution of atropine. By submitting atropine d-camphorsulphonate to fractional crystallisation its resolution was readily affected, and only two salts were obtained, namely, d- and l-hyoscyamine d-camphorsulphonates. Atropine must, therefore, contain only one racemic asymmetric carbon atom, namely, that contained in the tropic acid complex (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1909, 95, pp. 1966-1977).

COMPOSITION OF BERBERINE PHOSPHATE

As considerable discrepancy had existed in chemical literature respecting the formula for berberine phosphate,

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in the course of some more extended work on berberine salts the true composition of the phosphate was determined (*Year-Book of Pharmacy*, 1900, pp. 507-513, and *Pharm. Journ.*, 1900, 65, p. 89).

QUININE SALTS

The official tests for the purity of quinine salts, especially with regard to the limitations they impose upon the presence of other cinchona alkaloids, have been made the subject of a very complete and critical study. It has thus been shown that there are sources of error involved in the application of the so-called "ammonia test" which had not hitherto been observed, and certain discrepancies in some of the recorded optical rotations of quinine salts were likewise noted (*Pharm. Journ.*, 1909, 83, pp. 600-603).

THE SYNTHESIS OF SUBSTANCES ALLIED TO COTARNINE

In this research a number of substances allied to cotarnine were prepared and characterised. The investigation, furthermore, resulted in some interesting observations respecting "the action of nitric acid on the ethers of aromatic hydroxyaldehydes," and this was therefore made the subject of an independent study (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1909, 95, pp. 1155-1165 and pp. 1204-1220).

SOME NEW GOLD SALTS

Some observations made during the course of an analysis led to the discovery of some new gold salts of the alkaloids, those of atropine, hyoscyamine and hyoscine, having been prepared and characterised (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1897, 71, pp. 679-682).

ESSENTIAL OIL FROM THE FRUIT OF

PITTOSPORUM UNDULATUM, Vent.

The tree, from the fruit of which the essential oil of *Pittosporum* was distilled, is indigenous to South-Eastern

Australia, where it is known by the popular names of "Native Laurel" and "Mock Orange." The oil, which possesses a pleasant orange-like odour, was found to contain a large proportion of limonene, besides smaller amounts of pinene and various esters, but its most interesting constituent is a new, optically-inactive sesquiterpene (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1906, 89, pp. 1083-1092).

ESSENTIAL OIL FROM THE LEAVES OF UMBELLULARIA CALIFORNICA, Nutt.

The tree, from the leaves of which this essential oil is distilled, is indigenous to California. It is an evergreen, and is known by various popular names, such as "California Laurel," "Mountain Laurel," "California Bay-tree," "Spice-tree," "Pepper-wood," etc. The essential oil is an aromatic liquid, possessing a peculiar pungency. The latter property is due to the presence of a ketone, C₁₀H₁₄O, which was first isolated and characterised in these laboratories, and has been designated umbellulone. A number of derivatives of umbellulone have been prepared, and special study has been devoted to its constitution, which has also been definitely established (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1904, 85, pp. 629-646; 1906, 89, pp. 1104-1119; 1907, 91, pp. 271-274; 1908, 93, pp. 252-260).

ESSENTIAL OIL FROM THE RHIZOME OF ASARUM CANADENSE, Linné

The plant, from the rhizome of which this essential oil is distilled, is indigenous to North America, where it is known by the popular names of "Wild Ginger" or "Canada Snake-root." The essential oil is a very aromatic liquid, and is largely used in perfumery. The constituents of the oil have been thoroughly investigated, and amongst these may be noted the alcohols linalool, borneol, terpineol and geraniol, to which, or their esters, the peculiar fragrance of the oil is due (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1902, 81, pp. 59-73).

ESSENTIAL OIL OF ALGERIAN RUE

The constituents of this oil were thoroughly investi gated. The larger proportion of the oil was found to consist of methyl *n*-heptyl ketone and methyl *n*-nonyl ketone, which were present in about equal amounts, and these were accompanied by relatively small amounts of the corresponding carbinols. In connection with this investigation, a new, synthetic ketone, methyl β -methylhexyl ketone, was prepared and characterised (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1902, **81**, pp. 1585-1595).

ESSENTIAL OIL OF HEDEOMA PULEGIOIDES, Persoon

The plant yielding this essential oil is indigenous to North America, where it is commonly known as "American Pennyroyal." The oil, which possesses a highly aromatic, mint-like odour, is used medicinally. It contains a considerable proportion of pulegone, and the investigation conducted in these laboratories has led to the identification, among other compounds, of *l*-menthone, *d*-isomenthone, and methylcyclohexanone as constituents of the oil. The two last-mentioned ketones are of particular interest, inasmuch as it appears to have been the first instance in which their occurrence in nature has been observed (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1907, 91, pp. 875-887).

ESSENTIAL OIL OF NUTMEG

This essential oil has been thoroughly investigated, and has been shown to be of very complex composition. Although consisting largely of the terpenes pinene, camphene, and dipentene, it also contains, among other substances, the alcohols linalool, borneol, terpineol and geraniol, or their esters, together with eugenol, *iso*eugenol, safrole, and myristicin. It was shown that the portion of the oil which had hitherto been designated "myristicol" is a mixture of alcohols, consisting chiefly of terpineol (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1907, **91**, pp. 2037-2058).

EXPRESSED OIL OF NUTMEG

In connection with a complete study of the constituents of nutmeg, the expressed oil, commonly known as "Nutmeg Butter," has also been subjected to a careful examination. In order to be assured of the genuineness of the material employed, the oil was specially expressed for the purpose. Although it was previously known that this product contained varying amounts of essential oil, and that the fatty portion consists to a considerable extent of trimyristin, the nature of the other constituents had not been definitely ascertained. In the course of the investigation there were isolated from the unsaponifiable constituents of the oil a phytosterol, $C_{20}H_{34}O$, and a new compound, which appears to possess the formula $C_{18}H_{22}O_5$ (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1908, **93**, pp. 1653-1659).

From the material (" press-cake ") remaining after the expression of the fatty oil there was obtained, amongst other substances, a small amount of the dihydric alcohol ipuranol, $C_{23}H_{33}O_2(OH)_2$ (Amer. Journ. Pharm., 1908, 80, pp. 563-580).

THE SEEDS OF TARAKTOGENOS KURZII, King (Chaulmoogra Seeds)

The plant from which these seeds are obtained is a native of Burma. The seeds, on expression, yield a fatty oil, commonly known as "Chaulmoogra Oil," which is largely used, both internally and externally, in the treatment of leprosy, as also in various other skin diseases. The investigation of this oil has afforded results of exceptional interest, inasmuch as it has been found to consist, to a large extent, of the glyceryl esters of optically active acids of an entirely new type. These acids are represented by the general formula $C_nH_{2n-4}O_2$, and have a cyclic structure. The acid present in the largest proportion possesses the formula $C_{18}H_{32}O_2$ (m.p. 68°), and has been designated *chaulmoogric acid*, whilst a lower homologue, $C_{16}H_{28}O_2$ (m.p. 60°), has been termed *hydnocarpic acid*, on account of having first been isolated

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from a *Hydnocarpus* oil. Both of these acids are beautifully crystalline substances, from which a number of derivatives have been prepared, and their constitution has also been definitely established (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1904, 85, pp. 838-861; 1907, 91, pp. 557-578).

THE SEEDS OF HYDNOCARPUS WIGHTIANA, Blume AND OF HYDNOCARPUS ANTHELMINTICA, Pierre

(" LUKRABO " SEEDS)

Hydnocarpus Wightiana, Blume, is a tree indigenous to the Western Peninsula of India, whereas Hydnocarpus anthelmintica, Pierre, is a native of Siam. The seeds of the last-named species are exported to China under the name of "Lukrabo," and are there known as "Ta-fung-tsze." The fatty oils obtained from the seeds of these two plants have long been used in Western India and in China, respectively, for the same medicinal purposes for which chaulmoogra oil is employed. Both of these oils have been subjected to a complete investigation, the results of which have shown them to resemble chaulmoogra oil very closely, both in their physical characters and their chemical composition. Like the true chaulmoogra oil, they consist to a large extent of the glyceryl esters of chaulmoogric and hydnocarpic acids (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1905, 87, pp. 884-896).

THE SEEDS OF GYNOCARDIA ODORATA, R. Br.

Gynocardia odorata, R.Br., is a native of Sikkim, Assam, and Chittagong in Bengal. The seeds of this plant were, until a few years since, supposed to be the source of chaulmoogra oil, and the latter was therefore frequently designated "Gynocardia Oil." It was shown, however, by botanical investigations, that the true chaulmoogra oil, as indicated on *page* 15, is obtained from the seeds of a quite distinct plant, namely *Taraktogenos Kurzii*, King. Complete confirmation of this fact has been afforded by

an examination of the expressed oil from genuine *Gyno*cardia seeds. Chaulmoogra oil at the ordinary temperatures is a solid, whereas gynocardia oil is a liquid. The latter oil is, moreover, optically inactive, and contains none of the members of the chaulmoogric acid series. *Gynocardia* seeds were found to contain, besides the fatty oil, a new, crystalline, cyanogenetic glucoside, C₁₃H₁₉O₉N, which has been designated gynocardin, and an enzyme, termed gynocardase (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1905, 87, pp. 349-357 and 896-900).

OLIVE LEAVES AND OLIVE BARK

The leaves of the olive tree (Olea Europæa, Linné) were employed many years ago as a remedy in intermittent fever, and quite recently attention has again been directed to their therapeutic value as a tonic and febrifuge. Both the leaves and the bark of the olive tree have, therefore, been subjected to a complete chemical examination, which has resulted in the isolation of a large number of new and interesting substances (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1908, 93, pp. 891-904; 904-917. Compare also Pharm. Journ., 1908, 81, p. 714).

ERIODICTYON CALIFORNICUM (Hooker et Arnott)

Greene

("Yerba Santa")

This plant, as its name indicates, is a native of California. The leaves are used medicinally, and are recognised by the Pharmacopœia of the United States. A recent chemical examination of the leaves, conducted in these laboratories, has shown them to contain several new and interesting substances. Among these there are two crystalline compounds of a phenolic nature which may specially be noted, namely, *eriodictyol*, $C_{15}H_{12}O_{6}$, and *homo-eriodictyol*, $C_{16}H_{14}O_{6}$ (*Proc. Amer. Pharm. Assoc.*, 1906, 54, pp. 352-369). Homo-eriodictyol has been made the subject of a special investigation with reference to its constitution, which has definitely been established (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1907, 91, pp. 887-896; *Proc. Chem. Soc.*, 1907, p. 243).

A further examination of the constituents of *Eriodic*tyon, with the use of a portion of the same lot of extract as had been employed for the previous investigation, resulted in the isolation of two new compounds, which have been designated, respectively, *xanthoeridol*, $C_{18}H_{11}O_4(OH)_3$, and *eriodonol*, $C_{19}H_{14}O_3(OH)_4$. A substance of the composition $C_{16}H_{12}O_6$, which was previously isolated, but to which no name was assigned, has also been further characterised, and designated as *chrysoeriol*, $C_{16}H_9O_3$ (OH)₃ (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1909, **95**, pp. 81-87).

MORINDA LONGIFLORA, G. Don (" Ojuologbo ")

Morinda longiflora, G. Don, is a West African plant, which is stated to be used as a medicine by nearly all the tribes of that region. Both the root and the leaves of the plant have been chemically examined, and from them, amongst other substances, a hydroxymethoxymethylanthraquinone, $C_{16}H_{12}O_4$, was isolated, whilst from the root a monomethyl ether of alizarin, $C_{15}H_{10}O_4$, was also obtained. The most interesting constituent of the leaves was found to be a new crystalline alcohol, $C_{38}H_{61}O_3 OH, H_2O$, which has been termed morindanol (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1907, 91, pp. 1907-1918).

AETHUSA CYNAPIUM, Linné ("Fool's Parsley ")

Although many cases of poisoning have been attributed to this plant, which is a common garden weed, the observations regarding its properties were very conflicting. In order to ascertain the nature of its constituents a complete investigation was undertaken, and this was conducted with material which had been carefully identified botanically and was known to be free from any admixture. Amongst other substances, a relatively small amount of *d*-mannitol was isolated, but the most interesting constituent of the plant was found to be a volatile alkaloid which resembled coniine in its physical and chemical characters (*Journ. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1905, 27, pp. 1461-1476).

GRINDELIA CAMPORUM, Greene

This species of *Grindelia* is a native of California, where it is known as the common "gum-plant." *Grindelia* is used medicinally, and is recognised by the Pharmacopœia of the United States, although defined by this authority as "the dried leaves and flowering tops of *Grindelia robusta*, Nuttall, or of *G. squarrosa* (Pursh), Dunal."

A very complete chemical examination has been made of the plant which was botanically identified as *Grindelia camporum*, Greene. This resulted in the isolation of a number of crystalline substances, but the chief constituents of the plant are amorphous resins, together with a complex mixture of liquid acids and esters, the latter being presumably glycerides. The acids are, for the most part, optically active, unsaturated, cyclic compounds (*Proc. Amer. Pharm. Assoc.*, 1905, 53, pp. 192-200, and 1907, 55, pp. 337-344).

GYMNEMA SYLVESTRE, R. Br.

This plant, which belongs to the family of Asclepiadaceæ, is indigenous to Banda and the Deccan Peninsula. Its leaves, when chewed, possess the peculiar property of rendering imperceptible the sweet taste of sugar or other saccharine substances, and also, but in a less marked degree, the taste of many bitter substances. This property is due to a substance, or mixture of substances, which has been designated "gymnemic acid." In the course of an investigation of these leaves a *lævorotatory stereoisomeride of quercitol* was isolated (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1904, 85, pp. 624-629; Year-Book of Pharmacy, 1904, pp. 526-541, and Pharm. Journ., 1904, 73, pp. 234-239).

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IPOMŒA PURPUREA, Roth (" Common Morning Glory ")

Ipomæa purpurea, Roth, a plant belonging to the family of Convolvulaceæ, is indigenous to the tropical regions of both hemispheres, and is largely cultivated in temperate climates. The material employed for investigation consisted, for the most part, of the aerial stems of the plant, and was obtained from South Africa. In the latter country the stems and roots are used by the natives as an aperient medicine, and are believed to be as valuable for this purpose as Jalap. The active constituent of the drug is a resin, which has been thoroughly investigated, and shown to be a very complex mixture. Among the numerous substances obtained from the crude resin there may specially be noted a new, crystalline, dihydroxymonocarboxylic acid C13H25(OH)2·CO2H (m.p. 100-101°), which has been designated *ipurolic acid*, and a new dihydric alcohol C₂₃H₃₈O₂(OH)₂ (m.p. 285-290°), designated ipuranol (Amer. Journ. Pharm., 1908, 80, pp. 251-286).

THE FRUITS OF BRUCEA SUMATRANA, Roxb. ("Kô-sam") AND OF

BRUCEA ANTIDYSENTERICA, Lam.

The fruits of Brucea Sumatrana, Roxb., popularly known as "Kô-sam Seeds," were obtained from the East Indies, where they are reputed to be a valuable remedy in the treatment of tropical dysentery. The fruits and other parts of the plant of Brucea antidysenterica, Lam., are similarly employed in Abyssinia. Both the fruit and the bark of these two species of Brucea have been carefully examined. They contain, amongst other constituents, bitter principles, which could only be obtained in an amorphous form, and it was shown that certain statements by previous investigators, regarding the character of the active principles, were erroneous (Year-Book of Pharmacy, 1903, pp. 503-522; 1907, pp. 477-492, and Pharm. Journ., 1903, 71, pp. 183-189; 1907, 79, pp. 126-130).

CASCARA SAGRADA

Cascara Sagrada is the popular Spanish name of a bark which is recognised by the British, United States, and other Pharmacopœias as the dried bark of *Rhamnus Purshianus*, DC. The tree which affords it is indigenous to the north-western parts of North America. A very complete chemical examination has been made of this bark, which was specially collected for the purpose under the supervision of a competent botanist. In the course of the investigation numerous discrepancies of statement in the literature of the subject were critically considered, with the endeavour to afford a correct presentation of the facts respecting the constituents of this valuable medicinal agent (*Proc. Amer. Pharm. Assoc.*, 1904, 52, pp. 288-313).

MICROMERIA CHAMISSONIS (Benth.), Greene

("Yerba Buena")

This labiate plant is a perennial, trailing or creeping, sweet-scented herb, which is indigenous to the Pacific coast of the United States, and is used to some extent medicinally. Its complete chemical investigation has disclosed the presence, amongst other constituents, of three new, crystalline compounds, namely, *xanthomicrol*, $C_{15}H_{10}O_4$ (OH)₂ (m.p. 225°), *micromerol*, $C_{33}H_{51}O_3$ ·OH, 2H₂O (m.p. 277°), and *micromeritol*, $C_{30}H_{44}O_2$ ·(OH)₂, 2H₂O (m.p. 294-296°). The first of these compounds is phenolic in character, whereas the latter two represent monohydric and dihydric alcohols respectively (*Journ. Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1908, **30**, pp. 251-265).

LIPPIA SCABERRIMA, Sonder

(" Beukess Boss ")

This is an aromatic, South African plant, belonging to the family of *Verbenaceæ*, and is reputed to possess remarkable hæmostatic properties. The odour of the plant is due to an aromatic essential oil. The material employed for a chemical investigation consisted of the air-dried stems and leaves. Amongst the substances isolated, there may be mentioned a new, crystalline alcohol, $C_{25}H_{35}O_3$ ·OH (m.p. 300-308°), which has been designated *lippianol* (Archiv der Pharm. 1907, 245, pp. 337-350, and Amer. Journ. Pharm., 1907, 79, pp. 449-462).

DERRIS ULIGINOSA, Benth.

The stem of this species of *Derris* is used in the Far East as a fish poison. The material employed for its investigation was obtained from the Fiji Islands. It was ascertained that the poisonous property resides in a resin, which, together with other constituents of the drug, was chemically examined (*Proc. Amer. Pharm. Assoc.*, 1902, 50, pp. 296-321).

ROBINIA PSEUD-ACACIA, Linné

(" Common Locust " or " False Acacia ")

The bark of this well-known tree possesses highly poisonous properties. These are due to the presence of a protein, which is soluble in water, and has been designated *robin*. Its characters have been quite completely described (*Pharm. Rundschau*, N.Y., 1890, 8, pp. 29-38; *Year-Book of Pharmacy*, 1901, pp. 349-372, and *Pharm. Journ.*, 1901, 67, pp. 258-261; 275-279).

. CHAILLETIA TOXICARIA, Don

This plant is a native of Sierra Leone, and, as indicated by its name, possesses poisonous properties. The fruit is largely used in West Africa for the destruction of rats and other animals, and also for criminal purposes. It has been examined both with regard to the chemical character of its constituents and their physiological action (Journ. Amer. Chem. Soc., 1906, 28, pp. 1170-1183).

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COMPARATIVE EXAMINATION OF WILLOW AND POPLAR BARKS

The examination of a specimen of willow bark which was known in commerce as "Black Willow" led to the discovery of a new glucoside, $C_{13}H_{16}O_7$ (m.p. 195°), which, with reference to its origin, was designated salinigrin. This was shown to be the glucoside of metahydroxybenzaldehyde (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1900, 77, pp. 707-712).

By the subsequent examination of a large number of different species of American and British willows from authentic sources, it was ascertained that the particular species yielding salinigrin is *Salix discolor*, Muhl. At the same time, some very interesting variations were observed respecting the amount of salicin contained in these barks at different seasons of the year, and in trees of different sex (*Year-Book of Pharmacy*, 1902, pp. 483-490, and *Pharm. Journ.*, 1902, 69, pp. 157-159).

PRUNUS SEROTINA, Ehrhart

("Wild Black Cherry ")

Prunus serotina, Ehrhart, is a tree which is indigenous to North America. The bark of this tree has long been used medicinally, and is recognised by both the United States and British Pharmacopœias. In contact with water, it develops benzaldehyde and hydrocyanic acid, and it has been shown that the formation of these products is due to the action of an enzyme on *l*-mandelonitrile glucoside, $C_{14}H_{17}O_6N$ (m.p. 145-147°; $[a]_D$ —29.6°). In addition to the latter compound, a number of other interesting substances have been isolated from the bark, among which may be mentioned a fluorescent principle, β -methylæsculetin, $C_{10}H_8O_4$ (m.p. 204°), which was evidently present in the form of its glucoside, methylæsculin (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1909, **95**, pp. 243-261).

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APOCYNUM ANDROSÆMIFOLIUM, Linné (" Spreading Dogbane ")

Apocynum androsæmifolium, Linné, is indigenous to the United States. The rhizome of this plant, as well as that of some other closely-allied species of Apocynum, is used to some extent medicinally. A very complete chemical study has been made of the rhizome, and this has resulted in the isolation of its chief active constituent, which has been designated apocynamarin, $C_{28}H_{36}O_{6}$, $2H_2O$ (m.p. 170-175°). This substance possesses an intensely bitter taste, and is highly toxic. The rhizome has furthermore been shown to contain, amongst other substances, a considerable proportion of acetovanillone, $C_9H_{10}O_3$ (previously known as "crystalline apocynin") (m.p. 115°), the glucoside of which, $CH_3 \cdot CO \cdot C_6H_3(O \cdot CH_3) \cdot O \cdot C_6H_{11}O_5$ (m.p. 218-220°), has also been isolated, and designated androsin (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1909, **95**, pp. 734-751).

CHEMICAL EXAMINATION OF ELATERIUM AND

THE CHARACTERS OF ELATERIN

Elaterium is defined by the British Pharmacopœia as "a sediment from the juice of the fruit of Ecballium Elaterium, A. Richard." An investigation of this product led to the observation that the principal crystalline constituent, known and officially recognised as "elaterin," is not homogeneous, but that it contains from 60-80 per cent. of a substance which is completely devoid of purgative action. This substance, which is lævorotatory, is accompanied in the crude elaterin by a substance of apparently the same percentage composition, but which possesses strongly purgative properties and is dextrorotatory. The constituents of the entire fresh fruit of Echallium Elaterium were subsequently examined, and it was then proposed to designate the predominating constituent of crude elaterin, which is lævorotatory, as a-elaterin, and the physiologically active, dextrorotatory constituent as β -elaterin. The latter investigation also

served to establish the fact that elaterin exists in the fruit in a free state, and not in the form of a glucoside, as a previous investigator had affirmed. Various products heretofore regarded as definite constituents of the fruit were likewise shown to have consisted of more or less complex mixtures (*Pharm. Journ.*, 1909, **83**, pp. 501-504; *Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1909, **95**, pp. 1985-1993).

CHEMICAL EXAMINATION OF JALAP

The only constituent of jalap which is of chemical interest is the resin, and this has previously been the subject of several investigations. With consideration, however, of the recorded statements respecting the composition and characters of this resin, it was deemed desirable to subject it to a more complete examination. It has thus been shown that jalap resin is of much more complex composition than had hitherto been assumed, and that the various amorphous products previously obtained from it to which specific names and formulæ have been assigned, such as "convolvulin," "convolvulic acid," "purgic acid," etc., were mixtures of a very indefinite nature. On the other hand, in the course of the recent investigation a number of substances were obtained which permitted of definite identification or characterisation. Among these, there may be noted the isolation of a new, dihydric alcohol, $C_{21}H_{32}O_2(OH)_2$, (m.p. 222-225°; $[a]_D - 44.9^\circ$), which has been designated ipurganol (Journ. Amer. Chem. Soc., 1910, 32, pp. 80-113).

RUMEX ECKLONIANUS, Meisner

Rumex Ecklonianus, Meisner, a plant belonging to the family of Polygonaceæ, is indigenous to South Africa, where it is reputed to possess medicinal properties. A complete chemical examination has been made of the entire overground portion of the plant, which resulted in the isolation, amongst other substances, of several anthraquinone derivatives. In the course of this investigation the dimethyl ether of chrysophanic acid, C₁₇H₁₄O₄, was prepared. The latter compound crystallises in yellow prisms, melting at 190° (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1910, 97, pp. 1-11).

THE CONSTITUENTS OF COLOCYNTH

Colocynth, or the so-called "Bitter Apple," as it occurs in commerce, represents either the dried, peeled fruit, or the pulp of the fruit, of Citrullus Colocynthis, Schrader. Although colocynth has been the subject of several investigations, chiefly with the object of ascertaining the nature of its active constituents, no complete examination has heretofore been made of it. A recent research has shown that its activity is due to at least two principles. one of which is alkaloidal, although amorphous and a very weak base, whilst the other source of activity is represented by the ether and chloroform extracts of the resin. The colocynth contains, furthermore, a considerable proportion of a-elaterin, but apparently none of the physiologically active β -elaterin. Among other definite substances, the isolation of a new, dihydric alcohol, citrullol, C22H36O2(OH)2 (m.p. 285-290°), may specially be noted. It has, moreover, been shown that the products obtained from colocynth by previous investigators, which were designated "colocynthin," "colocynthitin," etc., do not represent pure substances, but were mixtures of a very indefinite nature, and that the amount of glucosidic substance in the fruit is extremely small.

In connection with the preceding investigation, colocynth seeds were likewise examined, the chief constituent of the latter, however, being a fatty oil (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1910, 97, pp. 99-110).

THE CONSTITUENTS OF RED CLOVER FLOWERS

The flowering tops of the common red clover (*Trifolium* pratense, Linné) have been used to some extent medicinally on account of their assumed alterative properties, but

nothing of a definite nature has heretofore been known of their constituents. A recent, very complete examination of these flowers has resulted in the isolation of an exceptionally large number of definite compounds, such as salicylic and p-coumaric acids, myricyl alcohol, heptacosane, hentriacontane, sitosterol, a new, dihydric alcohol, *trifolianol*, C₂₁H₃₄O₂ (OH)₂, and *isor*hamnetin, C₁₆H₁₂O₇, together with several new phenolic substances and glucosides. The flowers contain, furthermore, a little essential oil, a mixture of fatty acids, and a considerable quantity of sugar (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1910, **97**, pp. 231-254).

The flowers of the so-called "carnation clover" (*Trifolium incarnatum*, Linné) have also been subjected to a complete chemical examination, and some very interesting differences have thus been disclosed between the constituents of these flowers and those of the common red clover.

CHEMICAL EXAMINATION OF PUMPKIN SEED

The seeds of the common pumpkin (Cucurbita Pepo, Linné) have long been recognised by the United States Pharmacopœia under the title of Pepo. They have been regarded as an efficient tænifuge, and, although usually administered in the form of the bruised kernels, this property has been attributed by various investigators to both the fatty oil and the resin which they contain. A complete examination of fresh pumpkin seeds has, however, failed to reveal the presence of any substance possessing marked physiological activity, and the statements regarding the efficacy of either the fatty oil or the resin, as a tænifuge, could not be confirmed. The proportion of resin is, in fact, very small. The constants and constituents of the fatty oil were determined, and from the resin a new monocarboxylic acid (m.p. 99°) was isolated, which agrees in composition with a hydroxycerotic acid, C25H51O.CO2H, and yields an ethyl ester, melting at 61° (Journ. Amer. Chem. Soc., 1910, 32, pp. 346-360).

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CHEMICAL EXAMINATION OF WATERMELON SEED

The seeds of the watermelon (*Cucurbita Citrullus*, Linné) appear hitherto never to have been chemically examined. The chief constituent of the seeds is a fatty oil, which has been found to agree very closely in composition with that obtained from pumpkin seed. From the resin there was isolated a new crystalline alcohol, $C_{24}H_{40}O_4$ (m.p. 260°), which has been designated *cucurbitol*. The latter compound, together with grindelol, $C_{23}H_{38}O_4$ (from *Grindelia camporum*, Greene), and *ipurganol*, $C_{21}H_{34}O_4$ (from Jalap resin), appears to belong to an homologous series of new, dihydric alcohols, which are represented by the general formula $C_nH_{2n-8}O_4$ (*Journ*. *Amer. Chem. Soc.*, 1910, 32, pp. 360-374).

ORNITHOGALUM THYRSOIDES, Jacq. (" Chinkerinchee ")

Ornithogalum thyrsoides, Jacq., is a bulbous, liliaceous plant, which is common in Cape Colony. It is reputed to be poisonous, and many deaths among horses have been attributed to it when mixed with the forage. A complete chemical examination has been made of the entire flowering. plant, including the underground, bulbous portion, and the results thus obtained, in conjunction with physiological tests, have established its poisonous properties. The toxic principle appears to be chiefly contained in the resin, but, as all the extracts of the latter, with the exception of the portion removed by means of light petroleum, were physiologically active, there are probably several poisonous substances present. The attempts to obtain a definite active principle from these products were, however, unsuccessful (Pharm. Journ., 1910, 84, pp. 326-328).

*iso*Amygdalin

AND

THE RESOLUTION OF ITS HEPTA-ACETY_ DERIVATIVE

isoAmygdalin is the name given to an optical isomeride of amygdalin, and it is obtained from the latter by treatment with dilute, aqueous alkalies. In this investigation *iso*amygdalin was acetylated, and, from the resulting product, hepta-acetylamygdalin and the hepta-acetyl derivative of the unknown isomeride were obtained, the latter isomeride having been designated *neo*amygdalin. Hepta-acetyl*neo*amygdalin (m.p. 174° ; $[a]_{\rm D}$ — $65^{\circ}6^{\circ}$), on hydrolysis with concentrated hydrochloric acid, yields *d*-mandelic acid, and it has thus been shown that all three varieties of mandelic acid may be obtained from amygdalin (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1909, **95**, pp. 663-668).

ANTHRAQUINONE DERIVATIVES

The investigation of certain anthraquinone derivatives occurring in nature has included an examination of commercial chrysarobin, which, for many years, was supposed to be chrysophanic acid. In this connection the constitution of chrysophanic acid and emodin, and that of barbaloin, have been made the subjects of special study (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1902, **81**, pp. 1575-1585; 1903, **83**, pp. 1327-1334; 1905, **87**, pp. 878-884).

BENZOXY-OLEFINES

The investigation of the constituents of an essential oil of Algerian Rue, which has already been noticed, led to a special study of the interaction of ketones and aldehydes with acid chlorides. This was shown to result in the formation of a class of substances known as benzoxy-olefines, and one of the particularly interesting products obtained was the benzoate of the enolic modification of camphor (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1903, 83, pp. 145-154).

So-called Iodo-tannin Compounds

Some New Derivatives of Gallic Acid

For many years a class of preparations has been used . medicinally which have been regarded as actual chemical

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compounds of iodine and tannin, and somewhat extended observations have been recorded, especially in pharmaceutical literature, which were supposed to confirm this view. The subject was, therefore, fully investigated in these laboratories, and it was proved that the action of iodine upon tannic acid does not result in the formation of any compound of the latter substance containing this element (Year-Book of Pharmacy, 1901, pp. 466-476, and Pharm. Journ. 1901, 67, pp. 147-150). The subsequent endeavour to prepare a definite compound of iodine and gallic acid, although unsuccessful, led to the production of a number of new derivatives of the latter substance (Journ. Chem. Soc., 1902, 81, pp. 43-48).

PHENYLIC SALTS OF CAMPHORIC ACID

A general method for the preparation of acid phenylic salts of dibasic acids has been developed, and a number of such new compounds adapted for medicinal use were prepared, amongst which may be mentioned guaiacol camphorate and creosote camphorate (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1899, 75, pp. 661-669).

In direct connection with this investigation a method was devised for the assay of commercial phenols (*Journ. Soc. Chem. Ind.*, 1899, 18, pp. 553-556).

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The chemical characters of these salts were clearly defined, and a reliable method devised for the determination of their purity (Year-Book of Pharmacy, 1898, pp. 409-423, and Pharm. Journ., 1898, 61, pp. 171-176).

SALTS OF NATURAL AND SYNTHETICAL GLYCERYLPHOSPHORIC ACIDS

An investigation was undertaken for the purpose of determining the character and composition of some of the more important salts of glycerylphosphoric acid,

when prepared by definite methods. In the course of this work it was found desirable to consider the relationship existing between the natural and synthetical glycerylphosphoric acids, and the determination of their constitution was therefore made the subject of special study (*Journ. Chem. Soc.*, 1905, 87, pp. 249-257; 1906, 89, pp. 1749-1758).

COMPOSITION AND DETERMINATION OF CERIUM OXALATE

The unsatisfactory description and tests of Cerium Oxalate, as recorded in the British Pharmacopœia, suggested an investigation of the character of this medicinal chemical. The methods for the separation of cerium from its associate elements were critically compared, and on the basis of these experiments a plan was devised for the quantitative determination of the amount of pure cerium oxalate in the commercial products. The formula of pure cerium oxalate, with reference to the amount of combined water, was also definitely established as $Ce_2(C_2O_4)_{3,1OH_2O}$ (Journ. Soc. Chem. Ind., 1900, 19, pp. 636-642).

NEW PREPARATIONS OF MANGANESE, IRON AND BISMUTH

The desirability of rendering manganese available for medicinal use in a soluble and easily assimilable form led to some experiments resulting in the production of a *Soluble Manganese Citrate* and a compound of the latter with iron, as also a *Soluble Iron and Manganese Phosphate*. These were all obtained in the form of brilliant scales (*Year-Book of Pharmacy*, 1901, pp. 458-465, and *Pharm*. *Journ.*, 1901, **67**, pp. 135-137).

Iron Arsenate, in the form recognised by the British and some other national Pharmacopœias, being a compound insoluble in water, and of extremely variable
composition, it was deemed desirable to present this important medicinal agent in a more satisfactory form. A Soluble Iron Arsenate has therefore been produced, which is in the form of handsome scales, and contains a definite amount of arsenic (Year-Book of Pharmacy, 1908, pp. 507-513, and Pharm. Journ., 1908, **81**, pp. 342-344).

Some new preparations of Bismuth have also been formed which are specially adapted for medicinal use. These comprise : (1) Soluble Bismuth Citrate, which differs from the ordinary bismuth and ammonium citrate by its greater stability and the property of dissolving readily and completely in water, yielding a bright solution; (2) Bismuth and Lithium Citrate, a handsome scaled salt, readily soluble in water; and (3) Bismuth and Iron Citrate, which contains the respective elements in definite proportions, and in a readily soluble form.

II. BOTANICAL AND PHARMACOGNOSTICAL INVESTIGATIONS

In the department of botany and pharmacognosy several very complete investigations have been conducted, some of which were supplementary to the previously mentioned chemical examination of the respective plants. Thus the anatomical characters of strophanthus seeds, robinia bark, and derris have been carefully studied, and the descriptive details of this work were elucidated by a number of original drawings (Year-Book of Pharmacy, 1900, pp. 366-393; Pharm. Journ., 1901, 66, pp. 518-521; Year-Book of Pharmacy, 1901, pp. 372-382; Proc. Amer. Pharm. Assoc., 1902, 50, pp. 321-331). An extended research on the comparative anatomy of the barks of the Salicacea has also been undertaken, and the first part of this work, treating of the poplars, has been published (Year-Book of Pharmacy, 1903, pp. 442-479, and Pharm. Journ., 1903, 71, pp. 171-182).

In connection with the previously mentioned chemical examination of *Grindelia*, a question arose respecting

the botanical identification of the particular species employed. This led to a thorough study of the characters of some Californian species of *Grindelia*, whereby it was conclusively proved that the material employed for that chemical investigation consisted, as had been indicated, of *Grindelia camporum*, Greene. It was also shown that the *Grindelia* at present found in commerce is, for the most part, derived from this botanical source (*Proc. Amer. Pharm. Assoc.*, 1906, **54**, pp. 370-374).

A contribution from this department which merits particular notice is a monograph entitled :—

LONDON BOTANIC GARDENS

This first appeared as a serial publication in the American Journal of Pharmacy, beginning in October, 1905, and continuing through successive numbers of this journal until its completion in August, 1906. The collected papers were subsequen⁺¹v issued, in a pamphlet of 100 pages, as No. 62 of the publications of these laboratories. In the description of the London Botanic Gardens special pains were taken to ensure historical accuracy, while their more prominent features and equipment were depicted by a considerable number of handsome illustrations, the latter having been reproduced from photographs taken expressly for the purpose. The illustrations comprise not only views of the various buildings located in the gardens, but also several representations of such growing plants as are used medicinally, and which are of further interest on account of the chemical principles they contain.

The detailed and precise information contained in this publication renders it of more than ephemeral value, and the favour with which it has been received by botanists, and others interested in botanical science throughout the world, has been manifested by many expressions of appreciation.

SPECIMENS EXHIBITED IN CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES SECTION

I. CHEMICAL PREPARATIONS

SALTS OF THE ALKALOIDS OF JABORANDI LEAVES

Pilocarpine	Hydrochloride	iso	Pilocarpine	Nitrate
Pilocarpine			Pilocarpine	

SUBSTANCES RELATING TO THE CONSTITUTION OF PILOCARPINE

Pilocarpine Ethiodide iso Pilocarpine Methiodide 1:4 (or 1:5)-Dimethylglyoxaline 1:4 (or 1:5)-Dimethylglyoxaline Picrate

Dibromo*iso*pilocarpine 1:3-Dimethylpyrazole

4:5-Dimethylglyoxaline Nitrate 1:4:5-Trimethylglyoxaline Ethyl *a*-Ethyl- β -cyanotricarballylate

SUBSTANCES OBTAINED IN RESEARCHES ON MORPHINE

iso Morphine iso Morphine Hydrobromide iso Morphine Hydrochloride Bromomorphide Bromomorphide Hydrobromide Bromomorphide Hydrochloride Chloromorphide Chloromorphide Hydrobromide Chloromorphide Hydrochloride Acetylchloromorphide Deoxymorphine Hydrochloride Bromocodeide

MORPHOLONES, AND DERIVATIVES PRODUCED BY ELECTRO-SYNTHESIS

B-Naphthomorpholone N-Methyl- β -naphthomorpholone N-Methylphenmorpholine Hydrochloride N-Acetylmethylorthoaminophenol N-Methylethylorthoaminophenol Hydrochloride a-Nitro- β -naphthoxyacetic Acid N-Methylethyl-a-amino- β -naphthol sulphocamphylate

SYNTHETIC TROPEINES

Tropine Platinichloride Glyoxyltropeine Nitrate Methylparaconyltropeine Hydrobromide Protocatechyltropeine Hydrochloride Terebyltropeine Hydrobromide Phthalid-carboxylic acid tropeine Hydrobromide

DERIVATIVES OF TROPINE AND ψ -TROPINE

Tropine d-Camphorsulphonate Benzoyltropeine d-Camphorsulphonate Benzoyltropeine Picrate ψ -Tropine d-Bromocamphorsulphonate Benzoyl- ψ -tropeine d-Camphorsulphonate Benzoyl- ψ -tropeine d-Bromocamphorsulphonate Benzoyl- ψ -tropeine Picrate Tropinone d-Camphorsulphonate

SALTS OF THE STEREOISOMERIC HYOSCYAMINES

d-Hyoscyamine	d-Camphor-
	sulphonate
d-Hyoscyamine	Aurichloride
d-Hyoscyamine	Auribromide

 l-Hyoscyamine d-Camphorsulphonate
l-Hyoscyamine Aurichloride
l-Hyoscyamine Auribromide

PURE SALTS OF QUININE AND HYDROQUININE

Quinine Sulphate (chemically pure) Quinine d-Camphorsulphonate Quinine d-Bromocamphorsulphonate Hydroquinine Sulphate Hydroquinine d-Camphorsulphonate Hydroquinine d-Bromocamphorsulphonate

BERBERINE PHOSPHATE

ESSENTIAL OIL FROM THE FRUIT OF PITTOSPORUM UNDULATUM, Vent. Constituents of the Oil

Limonene

Pinene

Sesquiterpene

ESSENTIAL OIL FROM THE LEAVES OF UMBELLULARIA CALIFORNICA, Nutt. ("California Laurel") Constituents of the Oil

> Eugenol Eugenol Methyl Ether Pinene

Cineole Safrole Umbellulone

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SUBSTANCES RELATING TO THE CONSTITUTION OF UMBELLULONE

Bromodihydroumbellulone Dibromodihydroumbellulone Umbellulonic Acid Lactone of Umbellulonic Acid Umbellularic Acid Dibenzoylaminotetrahydroumbellulylamine Lactone of δ -hydroxy-*a*-isopropylhexoic Acid

ESSENTIAL OIL OF NUTMEG

Constituents of the Oil, and Derivatives

Pinene Camphene Dipentene Linalool Borneol Terpineol Geraniol Safrole Eugenol *iso*Eugenol Myristicin Monocarboxylic Acid, C₁₂H₁₇O·CO₂H

Dioxime of a Diketone, C₈H₁₄O₂ Dibromomyristicin Dibromide

ESSENTIAL OIL OF HEDEOMA PULEGIOIDES, Persoon

("American Pennyroyal")

Constituents of the Oil

Pinene Limonene Pulegone Methyl*cyclo*hexanone /-Menthone d-isoMenthone Salicylic Acid

ESSENTIAL OIL OF ALGERIAN RUE

Constituents of the Oil

Pinene Limonene Cineole Blue Oil Methyl Salicylate Methyl *n*-Heptyl Ketone Methyl *n*-Nonyl Ketone Methyl-*n*-heptylcarbinol Methyl-*n*-nonylcarbinol

A SYNTHETIC KETONE Methyl β -Methylhexyl Ketone

CONSTITUENTS OF THE SEEDS OF

TARAKTOGENOS KURZH, King

("Chaulmoogra Seeds")

Chaulmoogra Oil A hydrolytic Enzyme Chaulmoogric Acid Hydnocarpic Acid

DERIVATIVES OF CHAULMOOGRIC ACID

Ammonium Chaulmoograte Lithium Chaulmoograte Potassium Chaulmoograte Zinc Chaulmoograte Iron Chaulmoograte Copper Chaulmoograte Monobromodihydrochaulmoogric Acid

Lead Chaulmoograte Chaulmoogric Amide Ethyl Chaulmoograte Methyl Chaulmoograte Dihydrochaulmoogric Acid Methyl Dihydrochaulmoograte

CONSTITUENTS OF THE SEEDS OF HYDNOCARPUS WIGHTIANA,

Blume, AND OF HYDNOCARPUS ANTHELMINTICA,

Pierre (" Lukrabo " Seeds)

Expressed Oil of Hydnocarpus Wightiana Expressed Oil of Hydnocarpus anthelmintica Chaulmoogric Acid Hydnocarpic Acid

DERIVATIVES OF HYDNOCARPIC ACID

Hydnocarpamide Methyl Hydnocarpate n-Tridecane-aá-y-tricarboxylic Acid Trimethyl n-tridecane-aáy-tricarboxylate n-Decanedicarboxylic Acid

CONSTITUENTS OF THE SEEDS OF

GYNOCARDIA ODORATA, R. Br.

Gynocardia Oil Palmitic Acid Phytosterol

Gynocardin Gynocardase

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM OLIVE LEAVES,

AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

Oleanol Diacetyloleanol Methylacetyloleanol Hentriacontane

Oleasterol Olestranol Homo-olestranol Pentatriacontane

d-Mannitol

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM OLIVE BARK,

AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

Acid, C24H45.CO2H Acid, C29H57.CO2H Acid, C₃₄H₆₉.CO₂H Phytosterol

Ipuranol Diacetylipuranol Olenitol Acetylolenitol

d-Mannitol

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM RUMEX ECKLONIANUS, Meisner ("Smaller Dock"), AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

Cervl Alcohol Rhamnol Ipuranol Emodin Diacetylipuranol Saturated Fatty Acids Unsaturated Fatty Acids Kaempferol Chrysophanic Acid

Diacetylchrysophanic Acid

Chrysophanic Acid Dimethyl Ether Emodin Monomethyl Ether Diacetylemodin Monomethyl Ether Triacetylemodin Tetra-acetylkaempferol Glucose (Osazone)

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM THE LEAVES OF ERIODICTYON

CALIFORNICUM (Hooker et Arnott), Greene ("Yerba Santa")

AND THEIR DERIVATIVES.

Essential Oil Phloroglucinol Triacontane Ferulic Acid Pentatriacontane Eriodictyol Cerotic Acid Acetyleriodictyol Glucose (Osazone) Homo-eriodictyol Monosodium-homo-eriodictyol Tetra-acetyl-homo-eriodictyol

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM MORINDA LONGIFLORA, G. Don

(" Ojuologbo "), AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

Hydroxymethoxymethylanthraquinone 1: 3-Dihydroxy-2-methylanthraquinone 1: 3-Dimethoxy-2-methylanthraquinone Hydroxymethoxymethylanthraquinone Acetate 1: 3-Dihydroxy-2-methylanthraquinone Diacetate Dihydroxymethylanthranol Morindanol Palmitic Acid

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM THE FLOWERS OF TRIFOLIUM INCARNATUM, Linné ("Carnation Clover"),

AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

Essential Oil Incarnatrin Glucose (Osazone) from Incarnatrin Hentriacontane Phytosterol Quercetin from Incarnatrin Phytosteryl Acetate Penta-acetylquercetin Incarnatyl Alcohol Acetylpratol Incarnatyl Benzoate Trifolianol Benzoic Acid Diacetyltrifolianol Glucose (Osazone)

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM AETHUSA CYNAPIUM, Linné ("Fool's Parsley")

Essential Oil Volatile Alkaloid *d*-Mannitol Phytosterol Pentatriacontane Glucose (Osazone)

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM GRINDELIA CAMPORUM,

Greene

Essential Oil Hentriacontane Cerotic Acid Grindelol, C₂₃H₃₈O₄

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM THE LEAVES OF

GYMNEMA SYLVESTRE, R. Br., AND DERIVATIVES

l-Quercitol Penta-acetyl-l-quercitol Penta-benzoyl-l-quercitol Gymnemic Acid Hentriacontane

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM IPOMCEA PURPUREA, Roth

("Common Morning Glory"), AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

Essential Oil Crude Resin Purified Resin Pentatriacontane Phytosterol Ipurolic Acid Sodium Ipurolate Copper Ipurolate Methyl Ipurolate Diacetylipuranol

d-Methylethylacetic Acid

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM THE FRUITS OF BRUCEA ANTIDYSENTERICA, Lam.

Fatty Oil Palmitic Acid Oleic Acid Stearic Acid Glucose (Osazone)

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM THE FRUITS OF BRUCEA SUMATRANA, Roxb. ("Kô-sam")

Fatty Oil Oleic Acid Palmitic Acid Stearic Acid Hentriacontane Rhamnol Bitter Principle Enzyme

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM ONITHOGALUM THYRSOIDES Jacq. (" Chinkerinchee ")

> Ipuranol Diacetylipuranol Glucose (Osazone)

Pentatriacontane Phytosterol Palmitic Acid

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM

MICROMERIA CHAMISSONIS (Benth.), Greene ("Yerba Buena")

AND THEIR DERIVATIVES

Essential Oil Xanthomicrol Micromerol Methylmicromerol Micromeritol Diacetylmicromeritol

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM LIPPIA SCABERRIMA, Sonder ("Beukess Boss")

> Essential Oil S Heptacosane A Hentriacontane I

Sitosterol Arachidic Acid Lippianol

SUBSTANCES ISOLATED FROM THE STEMS OF DERRIS ULIGINOSA, Benth.

Active Resin Inactive Resin Ceryl Alcohol Phytosterol Arachidic Acid Stearic Acid

SUBSTANCES OBTAINED FROM *iso*AMYGDALIN Hepta-acetylamygdalin Hepta-acetyl*neo*amygdalin *d*-Mandelic Acid

SALINIGRIN, A GLUCOSIDE FROM THE BARK OF SALIX DISCOLOR, Muhl., AND ITS HYDROLYTIC PRODUCTS Salinigrin metaHydroxybenzaldehyde Glucose

A POISONOUS PROTEIN FROM THE BARK OF ROBINIA PSEUD-ACACIA, *Linné* ("Common Locust") Robin

THE CONSTITUENTS OF COMMERCIAL CHRYSAROBIN, AND SUBSTANCES RELATING TO THE CONSTITUTION OF

CHRYSOPHANIC ACID AND EMODIN

Chrysarobin, commercial Chrysarobin Triacetylchrysarobin Dichrysarobin Methyldichrysarobin Acetylmethyldichrysarobin Chrysophanic Acid, from Chrysarobin Emodin Monomethyl Ether 1 : 5-Dihydroxydimethylanthraquinone 3 : 5-Dihydroxydimethylanthraquinone Diacetyldihydroxydimethylanthraquinone

LIST OF SPECIMENS EXHIBITED

DERIVATIVES OF GALLIC ACID

Ethyl Triacetylgallate Ethyl Dinitrogallate Ethyl Sodiumdinitrogallate Ethyl Dinitrodiacetylgallate Ethyl Dinitrotriacetylgallate Ethyl Diazogallate Ethyl Monaminogallate Hydrochloride

BENZOXY-OLEFINES

β-Benzoxyhexylene B-Benzoxynonylene B-Benzoxyundecylene B-Valeroxyundecylene

a-Benzoxyheptylene a-Benzoxy-a-phenylethylene β -Benzoxy- γ -methylheptylene Benzoxycamphene

PHENYLIC SALTS OF CAMPHORIC ACID

Guaiacyl Camphorate Eugenyl Hydrogen Camphorate Guaiacyl Zinc Camphorate Thymyl Hydrogen Camphorate Guaiacyl Hydrogen Camphorate

also

Menthyl Hydrogen Camphorate Santalyl Hydrogen Camphorate

SALTS OF NATURAL AND SYNTHETICAL

GLYCERYLPHOSPHORIC ACIDS

Lithium Glycerylphosphate Barium Glycerylphosphate Calcium Glycerylphosphate Strontium Glycerylphosphate

Zinc Glycerylphosphate Manganese Glycerylphosphate Iron Glycerylphosphate Copper Glycerylphosphate Brucine Salt of Glycerylphosphoric Acid from Lecithin Brucine Salt of Synthetical Glycerylphosphoric Acid Brucine Salt of a-Glycerylphosphoric Acid Brucine Salt of β -Glycerylphosphoric Acid Calcium β -Diglycerylphosphate

NEW PREPARATIONS OF MANGANESE, IRON AND BISMUTH

Manganese Citrate (Soluble) Manganese and Iron Citrate Manganese and Iron Phosphate Bismuth and Lithium Citrate Ferric Hypophosphite (Soluble)

Bismuth Citrate (Soluble) **Bismuth and Iron Citrate** Ferric Arsenate (Soluble)

II. BOTANICAL AND MATERIA MEDICA SPECIMENS

Aleppo Galls (Quercus infectoria, Olivier + Cynips gallæ tinctoria, Olivier) "Beukess Boss" (Lippia scaberrima, Sonder) Brucea fruits (Brucea antidysenterica, Lam.) Californian Laurel leaves (Umbellularia Californica, Nutt.) Carnation Clover flowers (Trifolium incarnatum, Linné) Cascara Sagrada (Rhamnus Purshianus, DC.) Chaulmoogra seeds (Taraktogenos Kurzii, King) "Chinkerinchee" (Ornithogalum thyrsoides, Jacq.) Derris stems (Derris uliginosa, Benth.) Golden Seal rhizome (Hydrastis Canadensis, Linné) Grindelia (Grindelia camporum, Greene) Gymnema leaves (Gymnema sylvestre, R. Br.) Gynocardia seeds (Gynocardia odorata, R. Br.) Henbane leaves (Hyoscyamus niger, Linné) Hydnocarpus seeds (Hydnocarpus Wightiana, Blume) Jaborandi leaflet (Pilocarpus Jaborandi, Holmes) Jaborandi leaflets (Pilocarpus microphyllus, Stapf.) "Kô-sam" fruits (Brucea Sumatrana, Roxb.) Locust bark (Robinia Pseud-acacia, Linné) "Lukrabo" seeds (Hydnocarpus anthelmintica, Pierre) "Morning Glory," common (Ipomea purpurea, Roth) Nutmegs, Ceylon (Myristica fragrans, Houtt.) "Ojuologbo" leaf (Morinda longiflora, G. Don) "Ojuologbo" root (Morinda longiflora, G. Don) Olive bark (Olea Europæa, Linné) Olive leaves (Olea Europæa, Linné) Rhubarb rhizome (*Rheum officinale*, Baill. [?]) Smaller Dock (Rumex Ecklonianus, Meisner) Strophanthus pods (Strophanthus Kombe, Olivier) Strophanthus seed (Strophanthus Kombe, Olivier) Strophanthus seed (Strophanthus hispidus, DC.) Willow bark (Salix discolor, Muhl.) "Yerba Buena" (Micromeria Chamisonis [Benth.], Greene) "Yerba Santa" (Erodictyon Californicum [Hooker et Arnott], Greene)

SPECIMENS EXHIBITED IN SCIENCE SECTION

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Pilocarpine Nitrate Pilocarpine Picrate
isoPilocarpine Nitrate isoPilocarpine Picrate
Pilocarpidine Nitrate
Bromomorphide Hydrobromide Bromocodeide
1-Hyoscyamine Aurichloride 1-Hyoscyamine Auribromide
1-Hyoscyamine d-Camphorsulphonate
d-Hyoscyamine d-Camphorsulphonate
d-Hyoscyamine Aurichloride d-Hyoscyamine Auribromide
Atropine Picrate Hydrobromide
Protocatechyltropeine Hydrochloride
Terebyltropeine Hydrobromide
Berberine Phosphate Umbellulone
Umbellularic Acid Dibromodihydroumbellulone
Myristicin isoMyristicin
Dibromomyristicindibromide Myristicinic Acid
5-Nitro-1-methoxy-2: 3-methylenedioxybenzene
Oleanol Diacetyloleanol Methylacetyloleanol
Triacontane Hentriacontane Pentatriacontane
Eriodictyol Homo-eriodictyol Lippianol
Elaterium <i>a</i> -Elaterin Phytosterol
Micromerol Mono-acetylmicromeritol Xanthomicrol
Hydroxymethoxymethylanthraquinone
Hydroxymethoxymethylanthraquinone Acetate
1: 3-Dimethoxy-2-methylanthraquinone
Morindanol Salinigrin Hepta-acetylneoamygdalin
Chaulmoogra Oil Chaulmoogric Acid
Ammonium Chaulmoograte Dihydrochaulmoogric Acid
Methyl Dihydrochaulmoograte
Trimethyl n-Pentadecane-aáy-tricarboxylate
Dimethyl β -Methyl- γ -keto- <i>n</i> -pentadecane- <i>aá</i> -dicarboxylate
Dimethyl 7-Keto-n-pentadecane-aá-dicarboxylate
n-Undecanedicarboxylic Acid
Gynocardia Oil Gynocardin Gynocardase
Emodin Emodin Monomethyl Ether
Chrysophanic Acid Acetylbarbaloin
Tribromobarbaloin Acetyltribromobarbaloin
Benzoxycamphene <i>l</i> -Quercitol Ipurolic Acid
Manganese Citrate (Soluble)
Ferric Arsenate (Soluble) Bismuth and Lithium Citrate

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ORGANISATION, EQUIPMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

Those who have observed the progress of events in Great Britain during the last decade cannot fail to have been impressed with the remarkable developments and achievements by which it has been attended, especially in the domains of the chemical, physical and biological sciences. The discovery within the past few years of several new elements in the atmosphere, the liquefaction, and even solidification, of gases that were hitherto regarded as permanent, the synthesis of several important organic compounds, the isolation of new substances, and the more precise characterisation of those previously known, together with the perfection of chemical processes and the applications of electricity in chemical and metallurgical operations, are but a few examples of the contributions to knowledge and the industrial progress which have signalised the closing years of the past and the beginning of the new century.

The spirit of research has, in fact, now become so diffused as to have penetrated into almost every department of human knowledge and activity. With a broader recognition of its usefulness, and even of its necessity as an element of progress, research is no longer confined to institutions of learning, but has proved to be a quite indispensable factor in its relation to industrial pursuits, as well as for the study of those important problems in medical science which are so intimately associated with the health and happiness of mankind. It has indeed been truly said that "without a knowledge of the constitution or structure of the molecules which go to make up the substances employed as remedies, therapeutics, or the administration of these remedies, can never be an exact science. Thus the research chemist may contribute, though indirectly, his share towards placing medicine upon a real and scientific basis."



ORGANISATION, EQUIPMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

It is worthy of note that the year 1896 was marked by the establishment in Great Britain of at least three laboratories devoted exclusively to scientific research namely, the Davy-Faraday Research Laboratory connected with the Royal Institution, which was formally inaugurated in December, 1896; the new Research Laboratory of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, which was formally opened in November, 1896; and the Wellcome Chemical Research LABORATORIES, which were established in the summer of 1896.

The scope of these laboratories and the directions in which research is conducted in them, naturally differ. The first-mentioned, for example, is more especially of an academic character, and is therefore devoted to somewhat abstract investigations in chemistry and physics; the second is stated to have for its primary object the examination of morbid specimens and material, the study of zymotic diseases, and, in general, bacteriological, physiological and pathological work; while the third, the Wellcome Chemical Research LABORATORIES, are designed for investigations in both pure and applied chemistry, and, in the latter instance, with special reference to the study of that large class of both organic and inorganic compounds which are employed as medicinal agents in the treatment of disease.

The importance of the work which it is the purpose to accomplish in these different, but more or less closely related, departments of science is apparent, and is duly appreciated by those who recognise the deficiencies of existing knowledge.

In response to numerous requests, it has been considered that a brief sketch of the WELLCOME CHEMICAL RESEARCH LABORATORIES, descriptive of their organisation, equipment and development, would prove of interest to a considerable number who have not the opportunity of inspecting them.

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THE LABORATORIES, FIRST FLOOR



THE LABORATORIES, SECOND FLOOR

ORGANISATION, EQUIPMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

The first announcement of Mr. Henry S. Wellcome's plan to establish the Chemical Research Laboratories which bear his name was made on the occasion of a dinner given by him to the present Director, Dr. Frederick B. Power, at the Holborn Restaurant, London, on the evening of July 21, 1896. The occasion was a memorable one in many respects, for the gathering included a large number of distinguished representatives of the various sections of the scientific world. It was then explained by Mr. Wellcome that the work which he proposed to inaugurate was one which he personally had very much at heart, that it would be carried out on no selfish lines, but would be controlled and dictated with the highest regard for science. It was also made clear that the new Chemical Research Laboratories were to be entirely distinct from those of the Works of his firm, in which, as heretofore, research would also continue to be conducted. The expressions of appreciation of the high purpose and the scientific spirit which had actuated Mr. Wellcome in the development of such extended plans for chemical research, as manifested by various distinguished speakers on the occasion referred to, were indeed most auspicious, and fittingly commemorated the inauguration of the work that was to be undertaken.

The first home of the laboratories was in a building located at No. 42, Snow Hill, but it was soon found desirable to make considerable extensions. In order to accomplish this, it was decided that the laboratories should be transferred to a building of their own, of which they should have complete use and possession. Such premises were secured at No. 6, King Street, Snow Hill, where, in a very central part of London, and amid surroundings replete with many of its most interesting historical associations, the laboratories are now located.

The building is a handsome, modern one of Venetian style of architecture, and comprises four stories and a basement. A view of it is represented on *page* 50.

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THE LABORATORIES, THIRD FLOOR



THE COMBUSTION ROOM

ORGANISATION, EQUIPMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

On the ground floor of the building are the office of the Director, and the library, the latter being quite complete for the special requirements. It contains not only a considerable number of recent chemical and pharmacological works, but also complete sets of many journals, such as the Journal of the Chemical Society, Berichte der deutschen chemischen Gesellschaft, Journal of the Society of Chemical Industry, etc. Files of many of the more important chemical, pharmaceutical and medical periodicals of England, America and Germany are also kept. As several very large and complete scientific and technical libraries are also at all times accessible to members of the staff, it is evident that the requirements in this direction are most abundantly supplied. In the library there is also a cabinet containing specimens of the various substances obtained in the course of laboratory investigations, which already form a collection of considerable interest.

The laboratories proper are located on the first, second and third floors of the building, and are represented on pages 52 and 54. They are similar in their arrangement, are provided with gas and electricity for both illuminating and heating purposes, and completely equipped with all the necessary apparatus and appliances for conducting chemical investigations. There are pumps on each table for filtration under pressure, and special adaptations for vacuum distillations. A separate connection with the electric mains supplies the current for heating water-baths used for the distillation of ether and other similar liquids. Each laboratory is provided with fine analytical and ordinary balances, which are carefully protected from dust and moisture by tightlyfitting glass cases. There are also telephones on each floor, so that communication between the different laboratories or with the Director's office can be quickly effected.

The basement of the building, which is well-lighted by electricity, contains a combustion furnace and all the

appliances for conducting ultimate analyses, whilst two other furnaces of the most approved construction are available in the laboratories; it also contains a large electric motor for working the shaking and stirring apparatus, the drug mill, etc., and a dark room adapted for polarimetric or photographic work. A view of a portion of the combustion room is shown on *page* 54. In direct communication with the basement are dry and commodious vaults, which afford ample room for the storage of the heavier chemicals and the reserve stock of glass-ware, etc. By means of a small lift, articles may be conveniently transported from the basement to any floor of the building.

From this brief description, and the accompanying photographic illustrations, it will be seen that the WELLCOME CHEMICAL RESEARCH LABORATORIES are unique in their appointments and in the purpose they are designed to accomplish.

It is, perhaps, hardly necessary to explain that some of the problems which engage the time and attention of members of the staff—which comprises a number of highly-skilled and experienced chemists — are of technical application, having reference to the perfection of the chemical products of Burroughs Wellcome & Co. These naturally do not always afford material for publication, and many other difficult researches extend over considerable periods of time. Nevertheless, more than one hundred publications, embodying the results of original work contributed to various scientific societies, which are now consecutively numbered, have already been issued. Other investigations in progress will, from time to time, form the subjects of future communications.

Although too short a period has elapsed since the establishment of these laboratories to afford much material for a historical retrospect, their present measure of success may be considered to have justified the expectations of their founder and of those who are in sympathy with the work which they aim to accomplish.

AWARDS CONFERRED UPON THE

WELLCOME CHEMICAL RESEARCH LABORATORIES

EXPOSITION ST. LOUIS, 1904 ONE GRAND PRIZE AND THREE GOLD MEDALS

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INTERNATIONAL Exhibition Liége, 1905 ONE GRAND PRIZE ONE DIPLOMA OF HONOUR AND TWO GOLD MEDALS

Exhibition Milan, 1906

ONE GRAND PRIZE

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