

News, Notes and Queries

The eight Academical 'Orationes' of Herman Boerhaave will be edited in an English translation by Prof. Dr. A. G. H. Bachrach (Leiden) in the series Publications from the Sir Thomas Browne Institute in Leiden.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF THE HISTORY OF PHARMACY

The Edward Kremers Award for 1968 will be awarded to Dr. Martin Levey. This award was established by the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy to recognize distinguished writing in pharmaceutical history by an American scholar. It was established in honour of the late Edward Kremers, a distinguished figure in American Pharmaceutical Education who encouraged the study of pharmaceutical history and was active in the establishment of the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy. Selection of the recipient for the Kremers Award is made by the Awards Committee of the Institute.

Dr. Martin Levey is professor of the history of science at State University of New York at Albany. He has been a member of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton and a member of the faculty of Yale University. He is a chemist, historian of science, and a student of ancient languages. His many publications include *Chemistry and Chemical Technology in Ancient Mesopotamia* (1959) and *Medieval Arabic Book Making and Its Relation to Early Chemistry and Pharmacology* (1962). The Awards Committee of the Institute made special reference to his *The Medical Formulary of Al-Kindi* (1966) and *The Medical Formulary of Al-Samargandi* (1967).

JOURNAL OF THE HISTORY OF BIOLOGY

The first issue of this new journal has just appeared (spring, 1968) from Harvard University Press, and is to be published twice a year. The Editor is Professor Everett Mendelsohn (Holyoke Center 838, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138) and he is assisted by a distinguished Editorial Board. The well-produced octavo of 161 pages contains a number of articles of great interest to medical historians, including a study of 'Sherrington's concept of integrative action' by Judith P. Swazey, and 'First steps in Claude Bernard's discovery of the glycogenic function of the liver' by M. D. Grmek, the latter being the text of a lecture which Professor Grmek gave recently at Harvard University.