NEWS OF THE MONTH IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

ROBERT SUTHERLAND, proprietor of The Wallaceburg, Ont., Herald, has sold out to A. Appleford, of The Thamesville, Ont., Herald. Mr. Appleford has sold his Thamesville paper to A. H. Drummond.

A. E. Pennell, proprietor of The Markham, Ont., Sun, has sold out.

George Young, proprietor of The Trenton, Ont., Courier, is advertising his business for sale.

F. Longueville Snow has registered as proprietor of The Snow Law Publishing Co., Montreal.

D. McCuaig, proprietor of The Westville, N.S., Free Lance, has sold out to J. W. H. Sutherland.

R. Appleford & Son, proprietors of The Blenheim, Ont., Tribune, have been succeeded by L. M. Appleford.

W. F. Trayes has sold The Port Hope Times to W. Swaisland & Co. Mr. Swaisland was formerly secretary of The London Free Press Co.

The Greenwood Miner has passed under the management of W. S. Keith; the job office continuing in the hands of E. M. Grace.

R. W. Dillon, lately of The Stratford Beacon, is now editor and publisher of The St. Marys Argus, succeeding W. K. MacLeod, who purchased the paper in 1887.

PERSONAL MENTION

Cavil McQuesten, of Hamilton, has joined The Toronto News staff.

W. E. Sheppard, of The Merritton Advance, has joined The Hamilton Times staff.

R. B. Bennett, of The Whitewood Herald, has joined The Vancouver World staff.

F. I. Clarke has been succeeded in the editorship of the Nanaimo, B.C., Herald by Hugh Atkin.

E. H. Macklin, cashier of The Toronto Globe, has gone to Winnipeg to be business manager of The Free Press.

W. H. Hunt, of The Moosomin Spectator, has been appointed business manager of The Rat Portage News office.

Wm. Hill, of The Caxton Press, Toronto, died in Toronto last month after being 43 years in the printing business.

Allan S. McLean, the London, Eng., correspondent of The Toronto Globe, is in Canada on a visit to his relatives, and will spend some time with his father, M. Y. McLean, of The Seaforth Expositor.

THE LIBEL LAW.

In Mayor Macdonald's suit against The Mail and Empire the jury awarded \$100 damages.

The suit of J. P. Downey, of The Guelph Herald, against The Guelph Advocate for a letter in its columns resulted in a verdict for the defendant.

Recorde: Poirier complained of an article in Les Debats, a small paper issued on Sundays in Montreal by J E. Pelletier, and, summoning the editor before him, said: "You are young, very young, to direct a paper. But I recall my youth, and I am too sympathetically inclined to those following this career to be severe. I do not forget that I was at one time engaged in journalism. I could send you to prison, and compel you to furnish reasonable security to guarantee your future conduct. I will do neither the one nor the other, hoping that this lesson will prove profitable and salutary."

The grand jury returned no bill in the case against C. Wentworth Sarel, editor of The Kamloops Standard, for an alleged libel on the Lieutenant-Governor.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The Slocan Drill is a new weekly in the British Columbian mining district.

The daily edition of The Sydney, B.C., Advocate will appear May 1. Mr. MacKeen has been buying a new equipment in Toronto.

W. J. Thompson, of The Elkhorn Advocate, has purchased a complete and up-to-date newspaper and job plant to start a paper at Moosomin. It will be called The Moosomin World.

IMPROVEMENTS AND SPECIAL ISSUES.

The Orange Sentinel has been enlarged and improved. The New Glasgow, N.S., Chronicle is out in a new dress of type.

A new Monona press has been put in by The Vankleek Hill Review.

An addition is being built to The Yarmouth, N.S., Herald office, so as to give increased accommodation to the press and composing rooms. The proprietor has lately added a stereotyping plant to his complete equipment.

POLITICAL EDITORS ORGANIZE.

T the conclusion of the recent meeting in Winnipeg, A of the Western Canada Press Association, a number of the Liberal editors present thought it advisable to form a Liberal Editorial Association. The purpose of the organization was to secure harmonious and united action among Liberal editors in advocating the Liberal cause and spreading Liberal views among the electorate. The object was not uniformity, but unity. It was also thought that members who wished to use illustrations or secure special articles could, by cooperating, greatly reduce the expense. As the main purpose is to consult with one another and decide upon advisable lines of action, there will be no fees and no expenses connected with the association. There will be a meeting in Winnipeg, April 20, but the officers elected provisionally, are: President, Walter Scott, Regina; vice-president for Manitoba, Jno. Ridington, Carberry; vice-president for Territories, A. Stewart, Prince Albert; secretary, G. D. Wilson, Brandon.

Executive committee, N.W.T.—A. Stewart, Saskatchewan; Thos. Miller, West Assiniboia; John Nichol, Grenfel, East Assiniboia, J. H. McDonald, Alberta. Executive committee, Man.—Geo. Patterson, Brandon; H. C. Clay, Marquette; J. F. Galbraith, Lisgar; A. Dunlop, Macdonald; A. Stratton, Selkirk, A. J. Magurn, Winnipeg.