

To The Trade.

The Antikamnia Chemical Company has just unearthed and broken up a nest of counterfeiters of the Antikamnia Preparations, in Atlanta, Ga., and seized all machinery, dies, punches, stock, etc., used in making the fraudulent goods. The parties engaged in this scheme to defraud were D. B. Comer, J. E. King, Chas. E. Bostwick, J. F. Gibbs. The Milam Medicine Company, The Gibbs Drug Company, and the King Drug Company. These medicine and drug companies are reported as simply creations of the counterfeiters for the furtherance of their schemes.

The Antikamnia Chemical Company first obtained word that its goods were being counterfeited through a person who was at one time connected with the gang, but who quarrelled with the rest over the division of the prospective spoils. The secretary of our company, Mr. J. W. Cox immediately went to Atlanta, and within two days after his arrival he had the plant located, and the machinery and supplies confiscated.

The Chief of Police of Atlanta secured a full confession from J. E. King, implicating certain druggists in Southern cities. The counterfeit goods in the possession of all these parties are now being confiscated, and the guilty parties will all be prosecuted.

D. B. Comer has been connected with several crooked transactions, notably in the manufacture and disposal of Carter's, Morse's, and Tutt's Liver Pills. He held a very good position with a leading Southern jobbing house, which, however, immediately discharged him upon receiving advice of his connection with these operations, recognizing that it would be a serious mistake to allow its interests to be represented by so distinctly tattooed a subject.

Mr. Cox a short time ago was called to California to investigate the sale of counterfeit goods, and there, as in this case, he was enabled within a week to gather up all the machinery, dies, stock, literature, etc., etc., used by the counterfeiters. Four persons were implicated in this case as manufacturers, and some fifty druggists who had purchased the fraudulent goods were fined from \$100.00 to \$300.00, and received sentences ranging from three months to a year. The ring-leaders in the operation are out under bonds, and will be tried at the next term of court.

Considering the great risks attached to counterfeiting, and the small profits made before the scheme is exposed, it is surprising that any one should undertake such dangerous operations. The druggists who purchase the counterfeit are always discovered, their reputations are ruined, the fraudulent goods are confiscated, and in many cases, they are, as stated, heavily fined, and even sentenced to gaol.

When it is remembered that for every dishonest druggist the counterfeiters approach, a large number of honest ones are also approached, it will be seen that the manufacturer cannot long be kept in ignorance, and that the whole scheme will be exposed. The exposure invariably connects the buyer of the fraudulent goods with the maker thereof, and, as one is as guilty as the other, all receive the same treatment at the hands of the law, and by the exposure are placed in their proper light before their competitors, patrons and friends.

The Antikamnia Chemical Company will be pleased to correspond with all reliable persons or firms regarding the offer and sale of fraudulent Antikamnia Preparations, and will, as well, amply reward any one assisting them in running down frauds.

In conclusion, we wish to state that we are determined to protect our rights, and shall in future leave no measure untried to bring about the conviction of any person or persons detected in the manufacture of fraudulent Antikamnia Preparations.

Sincerely yours,

THE ANTIKAMNIA CHEMICAL CO.,
1725 Olive Street.

Cigars for Druggists.

We take pleasure in calling the attention of the trade to the advertisement which appears in this issue, of the National Cigar Co., of Toronto, Limited. This company has lately been reorganized into a limited liability company with which are connected two prominent western druggists. Well knowing the requirements of the drug trade they are sparing no pains to give them goods that are really superior. Evidently, too, they propose to do business in an up-to-date way for we notice they undertake to accept return of their goods from anyone who finds them unsatisfactory after a fair trial. There ought to be an advantage in buying from a firm such as this who prove their confidence in their goods in such a way.

Books.

"The Extra Pharmacopœia." Ninth edition, by Martindale and Westcott. Price, 10s. 6d. This work, which is now indispensable to every pharmacist, has been revised to correspond with the British Pharmacopœia of 1898. The volume begins with a summary of the imperial and metric systems of weights and measures, together with a table of the approximate equivalent doses in terms of both systems. Then we have an analysis of 25,500 prescriptions which have been dispensed in Great Britain, Ireland and the colonies, giving the number of times that the 121 specified articles were dispensed. There is also given a synopsis of the principal changes in the new Pharmacopœia, especially those preparations which are used in practical dispensing. In the body of the work will be found a number of changes, noting a number of new remedies and giving formulæ of practical use to the dispenser. The work, on the whole, is by far the most complete and most useful edition yet published, and no practical pharmacist should be without one continually within his reach.

"Pharmaceutical Formulas," a book of useful recipes for the drug trade, by Peter MacEwan, F.C.S. This admirable work contains over 2,000 valuable formulæ for all kinds of preparations relative to pharmacy. They have been reprinted chiefly from the columns of the *Chemist and Druggist*, of which paper the compiler is one of the editorial staff.

The book is certainly well adapted for the use of the manufacturing pharmacist and the trade generally. Published at the office of the *Chemist and Druggist*, 42 Camden street, London, E.C.; England.

Mrs. Leslie in Business Again.

An interesting news item to the publishing world is the reorganization and incorporation, on July 1st, of the Frank Leslie Publishing House, founded in 1855 by Frank Leslie and since 1880 the exclusive property of Mrs. Frank Leslie. The president of the new company is Mrs. Frank Leslie, while Mr. Frederic L. Colver, who has managed the property for the past three years, is secretary and treasurer. Extensive improvements will be made in the printing plant and in all departments of Frank Leslie's popular monthly this fall.