

TRADE NOTES.

G. S. Goulding, of Chesley, has purchased the Opera House Drug Store, Brantford, from Dr. Pentland, who will take the Chesley drug business.

We regret to hear of the death of R. Fothergill, Newcastle. We might say Mr. Fothergill had the reputation of keeping the most orderly drug store in Canada.

G. A. McCann has closed out his business, corner Yonge and College Ave., on account of having sold his lease to the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

R. H. Abbott, Comber, burnt out.

The drug stock of H. G. Eakins, Ayr, was sold at 33½ cents.

A Mr. McGee, of Winnipeg, who will open out in the drug business in Brandon, has rented the store lately occupied by W. Flummerfeldt.

F. W. James, formerly with Dr. Clark in Ridgetown, and for the last two months manager of F. W. Meek's store in Glencoe, has bought the business of M. T. Barclay in the latter place.

We sincerely regret to record the death of Mr. J. M. Mackid, druggist, Brantford, which took place at the Hospital on the 17th inst. He was taken with typhoid fever of a very dangerous type some two weeks ago, and, being naturally of a rather weak constitution, succumbed to its attacks. Mr. Mackid had been in business in Brantford for some eight or nine years, and was a young man who enjoyed very largely the respect and esteem of a wide circle of acquaintance. He was thirty-two years of age and a son of the late Rev. Alex. Mackid, of Goderich. He studied pharmacy under Prof. Jas. Stewart, lecturer on materia medica in Magill College, and was in business for a time in Clinton. Burned out there, he bought the drug store in 1881 or 1882, where he has continued in business since.

Mr. J. M. McIntosh, formerly of London, Ont., died on Friday in New York, aged 50. Deceased received his education in the Central school, and served his time under Mr. B. A. Mitchell, druggist. In 1859 he went to New York, and three years afterward bought out the drug business which he owned at the time of his death.

W. Boothe has purchased the business of Dr. J. Yourex, Tamworth.

R. S. Johnston, of Charlottetown, P. E. I., has moved into his new and handsome drug store, corner of Prince and Kent Sts.

T. S. Smellie has bought out the drug store until recently owned by O'Connor & Co., in Port Arthur.

A trustee has been appointed to look after the creditors' interests in G. W. McLaren's drug business in Morden, Mr. McLaren having been compelled to ask a second extension of time.

The stock of the W. A. Telfer estate, of Collingwood, was sold on the 27th Oct.

Mr. J. M. McKid, druggist, of Brantford, died on Oct. 22nd, following just a week after John Dale, the well-known Thorold bookseller.

A fire in Comber the last week in October burned down three stores, one of which was kept by Dr. R. H. Abbot, the only druggist of the town.

Rutledge & Co., of Whitewood, Man., have sold their stock of drugs and medicines, etc., to Hill & Raw, who intend to increase the business, if they have to work all night to do it.

The Ontario Leather Goods Company had their factory damaged by smoke and water, resulting from a small fire that started under their stairs. Plush and water are not affinities, the result being a cheque from the London & Lancashire Insurance Co.

The fire fiend has been hard at work lately, especially in Ontario. Four stores in Huntsville were burned down on the 2nd instant, one of them, Sieveright's, being filled with drugs, fancy goods, stationery, etc. We have not learned the particulars of the insurance.

Dawson, Bole & Co., of Regina, N. W. T., will in future confine their efforts to the wholesale trade, having sold their retail branch to R. Martin, of that city.

Blanchard & Co., the Victoria, B. C., druggists have also sold out their business, a Mr. Hanson being the purchaser.

John Bannon has bought John Tidy's drug stock in Norwich, Ont.

The Hemming Bros. Co. (Ltd.), the plush goods manufacturers and drug sundry wholesalers, are intending to move next January into a handsome warehouse on York St., Toronto, near to Wellington St. We wish them success in their new quarters, which appear to us to be double the size of the premises they now occupy.

Paisley has our sympathy in her great loss by fire on the 27th Oct. The volunteer fire brigade did its best, but nevertheless was compelled to witness the destruction of property amounting to nearly \$40,000, covering a whole block and damaging no less than eight large stores, among whom the stationer, Jas. Anderson, alone lost \$3,000. The insurance does not appear to have amounted to more than half the loss, and one storekeeper was not insured at all.

How an honest man who owes money on his stock can sleep at night when he knows that fire may ruin him and cause a loss to his creditors is more than we can understand.

C. M. Callum, of London, has sold out his wholesale drug business, and will in future confine his energies to the retail trade, for which he has a profitable stand.

Ten days settled the whole matter. On Oct. 18 H. G. Eakins, of Ayr, assigned to Frank Holman, of London, and on the 28th his stock was sold for 33½ cents on the \$. It was valued at \$612.92. Wholesalers are showing in very decided fashion that compromises are not desirable, preferring not to encourage unsuccessful men in staying in business.

Mrs. J. C. Jackson, dealer in fancy goods, Belleville, has left for parts unknown, taking with her her husband and children and all the Queen's coin she could gather together. As is usual in such cases, the bailiffs acted the part of vultures to perfection, devouring the remains of the shipwreck with the greatest possible speed and relish.

The career of Thos. Cole, of Ridgetown, has not been of a kind to be set up as an example to the youthful Canadian storekeeper about to start up for himself. Coming from Chatham a year ago with \$200 or \$300 in his pocket, he launched out in Ridgetown in a style that would frighten most men with \$2,000 capital, buying from every traveller that presented his card. dry goods, fancy goods, druggists' sundries, household utensils, tins, etc., etc., in endless profusion. Instead of trying to make a profit, his first aim seems to have been to cut out his opposition by cutting prices, the result being that he bought and sold large quantities of goods, and travellers thought him a regular "hustler." But the first dull season that came was too much for him, and he had to sue for leniency from his creditors, who were astonished to find that his liabilities footed up to the handsome sum of \$4,316.63. It was also discovered that Mr. Cole did not pretend to keep any books excepting a memorandum book, in which he jotted down promiscuously any item he considered of more than average importance. Both Cole and his wife worked hard, but so handicapped were their efforts by unbusinesslike ways that the wholesale houses had no confidence in his chances of success, and in less than five minutes' deliberation decided to take the stock out of his hands and order it to be sold, which was done in London on the 1st inst., the price being 61½ cents on the \$. We will leave moral for our readers to think out.