

Trade Notes

M. Steele, pharmacien, Tavistock, sold to G. A. Ross, succède.

H. Southcott, pharmacien, Niagara, sold to B. P. St. John, succède.

Kaslo drug Co., drugs and stationery, Kaslo, is closing out stationery.

H. Brenton has purchased the drug business of Mr. Richards at Innisfail, Alberta.

McDowell, Atkins, Watson Co., Ltd., drugs, Revelstoke branch, succeeded by George F. Curtis.

The McDowell, Atkins, Watson Co., Ltd., drugs, Kamloops branch, succeeded by George T. Mallory.

C. C. Godfrey, drugs, Dryden, has removed to Rat Portage and contemplates opening business at Norman.

Montreal Notes.

The drug business in Montreal is unprecedentedly flat this summer, owing to so many families being out of town rustiating. Even the customary diarrhoea amongst children has not yet made its appearance.

The Abbey Effervescent Salt Co. appears to have hit upon a very good plan to prevent their goods getting into the hands of departmental stores and groceries. They have showed a desire to give licensed pharmacists fair play, and they will have their reward.

It is astonishing that such cute men, as patent medicine proprietors pretend to be, should not have realized long ago that the goodwill of the retail pharmacist goes a long way towards popularizing their specialties.

The *Daily Star* of recent date states that a woman was found lying on the sidewalk in Maisonneuve, a suburb of this city, and being taken before the Recorder was fined one dollar or eight days. She was unable to pay the fine because, according to her own account, she had been drugged and robbed the night before by two young men, one of whom was a drug clerk. She visited the pharmacy with Chief O'Farrell and identified the clerk. He acknowledged having been with her, but denied robbing her. Some of the missing articles were found on the premises, and he was taken before the Recorder and remanded.

It has been agreed upon by the Pharmaceutical Association and the leading medical society that it will be advisable to defer the putting into force of the new B.P. in the province until Oct. 1. After that date the B.P. of 1898 will be the standard in dispensing physicians' prescriptions unless the old Pharmacopœia of 1885 is expressly mentioned.

At the meeting of the College of Physicians and Surgeons held in Montreal on the 13th inst. a certain doctor, who himself got a dressing down recently by the much-respected Dr. Elder, of McGill, complained of the prescribing chemist. If there is much prescribing going on in chemists' shops in Montreal, which I much doubt, it is quite evident it is not a very flourishing business, as pharmacy is anything but a lucrative occupation just now. It seems to me if the doctor would make a raid on quack medicines, especially those of an indecent character, the testimonials for which accompanied by portraits of terribly ugly women, which fill the advertising columns of our leading journals, he would have a fair subject for reform and would have much sympathy from chemists in his raid.

Mr. David Watson has been proposed as president of the Dominion Commercial Travellers' Association, and has accepted the candidacy. It is not thought that any opposition to him will be brought out, as he will be the right man in the right place. Mr. Watson served the association with great satisfaction to the members some years ago.

It is not thought that many Montreal chemists will attend the annual meeting of the American Pharmaceutical Association this year, to be held on August 29th to September 12th, at Baltimore. The distance is great, and, notwithstanding the reduction of fares, the expense will be heavy to members living in Montreal. The programme of the meeting is most beautifully got up, and contains all necessary information for those wishing to go.

Eventually, a Dominion Pharmaceutical Association will have to be organized in Canada. Such a body would give more weight to pharmacists and the annual meeting by bringing together the scattered members and would enable them to take notes and talk over the future of pharmacy in the Dominion. At the same time it would tend to mould

public opinion in the direction of more protection to pharmacists in the sale of drugs and medicines, as a slight return for the stringent regulations imposed upon them by the State.

Mr. Dowler, it is said, is working wonders with the McMillan Pharmacy, on St. Catherine street, which he lately bought out. As it is in all other professions and trades, perseverance and attention to business tells its tale in the long run.

Nova Scotia Notes.

Mr. Edmund F. L. Jenner, of Sherbrooke, N.S., has purchased the drug business formerly conducted by W. A. MacLaren & Co., of Digby, and will carry on a business there. Mr. Jenner's many friends will be pleased to see him succeed in his new venture.

Dr. A. D. MacGillvary, of Sydney, C.B. paid a flying visit to Halifax last week.

Mr. A. D. Thornton, of the Canadian Rubber Company, was in Halifax recently, and was warmly welcomed by his old friends, who are glad to note his promotion.

Mr. F. H. Rudderham, of Parrsboro, has removed to North Sydney, and opened a drug business there.

Mr. F. E. Pentz, the Hantsport druggist, made a short visit to the city during last week.

Messrs. Copeland & Co., druggists, of North Sydney, have opened a branch store at Sydney Mines, while still continuing their drug business at North Sydney.

Mr. L. Blackwood, formerly of Halifax, and for several years accountant for Simson Bros. & Co., is now located at Steveston, near Vancouver, B.C.

The meeting of the Maritime Medical Association was held in Halifax during the first week in July, and was largely attended, the country physicians particularly being well represented. An excursion to the Hotel Florence, at South Bedford, brought the proceedings to a close, and was much enjoyed. This hotel is in the vicinity of the Prince's Lodge, a beautiful spot, where the Duke of Kent, the father of Queen Victoria, made his home while commanding the forces in British North America, one hundred years ago, and a historic interest still clings to the surroundings, though the Prince's residence has long since disappeared before the ravages of time.

Dr. E. D. McLean, the genial physician of Musquodoboit, is in Halifax, and reports good fishing in his vicinity. This is readily taken advantage of by the ubiquitous American tourist, who is ever with us during the heated term in Uncle Sam's domain, and who enjoys to the full our cool sea breezes.

The Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition opens on September 22nd, and preparations are now being actively made among some of the manufacturing druggists to exhibit their products.

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