NOTES OF TRADE INTEREST.

V. & F. MCKIBBON, fancy goods dealers, Simcoc, Ont., have given up business.

Rockwell Co., stationers, Wolfville, N.S., have sold out.

Thomas Wheatley has opened a stationery store in Sarnia, Ont.

F. W. Nye & Co., stationers, Toronto, have been sold out by bailiff.

The Briggs Ledger System Co., Limited, Ottawa, has obtained a charter.

Wm. Helson, fancy goods dealer, Stratford, Ont., has gone out of business.

David McMaster, bookseller and stationer, Sarnia, Ont., has sold out to D. J. Symes.

The stock of Wm. V. Dawson, wholesale stationer, Montreal, has been damaged by water; insured.

The stock, etc., of Timmis, Noble & Co., stationers, Montrcal, has been damaged by smoke; insured.

The barrington street store of H. B. Bigney, fancy goods dealer, Halifax, N.S., is advertised for sale under a warrant of distraint. J. Irvine has opened up a store in Orangeville, Ont., for the sale of wall paper, mould ings, curtains, etc.

E. R. Highet, fancy goods dealer and confectioner, Port Colborne, Unt., has sold out to O. C. N. Kanold.

The Grand Forks Stationery and News Co., Grand Forks, B.C., has been dissolved. R. F. Petrie continues alone.

A. H. Stratton & Co., whose building, "The Peterboro' Bookstore," Peterboro', Ont., was gutted by fire, are now in running order again. They announce that, until everything is straightened up, orders may be placed at 411 George street.

P. Kelly's book and music store, Montreal, was badly damaged by fire on April 2. A quantity of shavings blown from a store ignited a number of articles, and, before the flames were extinguished, a good deal of damage had been done by fire, water and smoke.

Jonhn O'Brien, bookseller and stationer, of Truro, N.S., has opened up a branch store called "The Queen Bookstore," in Halifax. The place has been thoroughly renovated, and a stock of first class stationery and the latest books, as well as English and American magazines, has been placed in the store. The following tenders were accepted for the Toronto Public Schools' supplies : Text books and business forms divided between the Copp, Clark Co., and W. J. Gage & Co., whose tenders were equal, writing and exercise books, blank books, teachers' inkstands. files and mucilage bottles, W. J. Gage & Co.; drawing paper, 4he Canada Paper Co.; pens and penholders, slates, rulers, etc., the Copp, Clark Co.; lead pencils, slate pencils, colored pencils, etc. Warwick Bros. & Rutter; crayons, blackboard brushes and wooden pointers, Steinberger-Hendry Co.

Some complaints have been made about the books in use in the schools of Halifax, and the school commissioners passed the following resolution at a recent meeting: "Whereas, it has been brought to the attention of the board that many of the books now in use in the schools are unsuitable and the readers to a great extent obsolete and have been discarded by every Province in the Dominion;

"Therefore, resolved, that the teachers' committee be instructed to investigate the matter and report to this board at their next meeting." It was also decided to provide books for a number of pupils whose parents were unable to purchase them.

