

Trade Notes.

R. N. Knight, druggist, St. John, N. B., has made an assignment.

Fred Wort of Toronto, intends opening a new store in Parkhill, Ont.

A. D. Ferguson is opening a new drug store at Wolseley, N. W. T.

John Reed has again embarked in the drug business in Vancouver, B. C.

A drug store will shortly be opened in Port Milgrave, N. S., by T. Foster.

Ball & Co., Elkhorn, Man., have sold their drug business to Dr. Goodwin.

N. C. R. Allen has purchased the drug business of W. S. Barker, St. John, N. B.

W. P. Duncalfe, formerly at Morden, is opening a drug business at Cartwright, Man.

The drug store of Alex. Barnett, Hillsboro, Ont., was destroyed by fire April 16th.

The proposed amendments to the B. C. Pharmacy did not pass in the Local Legislature.

J. K. Sutherland has purchased the branch drug store of H. McDonald & Co., Vancouver, B. C.

Alex. D. Barnett, druggist, of Edgett's Landing, N. B., has been burned out. Insurance, \$600.

J. T. Pepper, of Brussels, has purchased the drug stock of the late J. J. Hall, Woodstock, Ont.

Dr. Olaf Stephenson, an Icelandic physician, is seeking license to practise in Winnipeg, Man.

Edward Evans, Jr., of Evans, Sons & Co., Liverpool, England, arrived in Montreal last month and left on his return May 4th.

Davis, Mack & Co., druggists, Fredericton, N. B., have dissolved partnership, Mr. Davis retiring. The firm is now R. T. Mack & Co.

C. McCallum, retail druggist, London, Ont., has made an assignment. Liabilities, \$30,000; assets, about \$7,000. The stock and fixtures, valued at \$6,012.91, are advertised to be sold by auction on Friday, May 18th.

C. Williams, O.C.P., medallist, 1892, intends opening a new drug store in Goderich, Ont., about the 15th inst. Mr. Williams is a native of that town and although this is the fifth store in town he will doubtless get his share of trade.

Fire and water caused damage to the amount of \$15,000 to the stock of Brayley, Sons & Co., wholesale druggists, 13 and 45 William st., Montreal, on the morning of April 18th. The Turkish Dye and Chemical Co., in the same premises, suffered to the extent of \$3,000.

A very destructive fire occurred at Huntsville, Ont., April 18th, by which 32 business places, besides other buildings, were destroyed. Two drug stores amongst others were burned, viz.: C. A. Watson,

loss, \$2,000, insurance \$1,000; A. Sievwright, loss \$3,000, insurance \$2,000.

The annual meeting of the British Columbia Pharmaceutical Association will be held in Victoria early in June. As some of the members of the old Council have declined re-election, it is probable that a majority of the in-coming Council will be "new blood." Nominations are now being received.

Acknowledgment.

Our thanks are due to Dr. H. M. Whelpley of the faculty of St. Louis College of Pharmacy for an invitation to the annual commencement of that institution held April 19th.

A Pleasant Re-union.

A very enjoyable evening was spent at the Club Rooms St. James street, Montreal on April 20th by the representatives and managing staff of Messrs. Evans & Sons of that city and Toronto, the occasion being the annual visit of Edward Evans Jr., of Liverpool by whom the supper was given. Time passed very pleasantly enlivened by songs, speeches, and recitations, Mr. Rogers, as usual with him, being the life of the party, the affair terminating at the very respectable hour of 10.30 p.m. Mr. Evans left for England on the 4th inst., where he expects to take an active part in the approaching elections.

A Handsome Store.

The new drug store of Messrs. Johnson & Johnson, corner of Queen and Richmond streets, Charlottetown, P.E.I., has been completed and was opened last month. From the *Guardian* of that city we take the following description of the store which it claims to be one of the handsomest in the Maritime Provinces. The fittings, which were put in by Messrs. Mark, Wright & Co., are solid ash with antique filling. Throughout, the designs are especially novel and pretty. Passing along Victoria Row the first glimpse of the new store makes one think it to be "all glass" below, the plate glass pane in the front being probably the largest in the city. Surmounting it is a panel of stained glass, which bears the legend "Johnson & Johnson, Drugs." Two superb hanging bottles in the window add a feature new in the city. Entering, to the left hand a counter extends along the southern side, set off by a show case on the eastern end which is a "thing of beauty" and whose contents might well be a "joy forever. On the right is a framework of shelves, with original ornamentation at the top, of pestle and mortar, and below four show-cases occupy the entire northern side furnished with unique sliding covers which are said to be the first seen here. In the rear of the store is the dispensing department, separated by a varnished screen, which has in front a large bevel plate mirror bearing on it in embossed

characters "Dispensing Department." But perhaps the most admirable feature in Messrs. Johnson & Johnson's new store is this Dispensing Room. A *Guardian* representative was shown in this department a locked case in which Poisons alone will be kept, thus avoiding any possibility of the mistakes which sometimes occur in the best regulated drug stores. A unique set of small drawers also in here, are a new and good idea. These will hold all the necessary small supplies of the dispensary. Altogether, the store exemplifies the most elegant finish, and best taste, and the most perfect apparatus with the greatest utility and comfort.

Captured a Prize.

Last summer, Merck & Co., the well-known pharmaceutical chemists and publishers of "Merck's Market Report and Pharmaceutical Journal," offered a prize of a free trip to Europe to the druggist and druggist's clerk writing the best essay on any subject allied to the drug business, the offer to be open to all Canada and the United States. About one hundred and thirty essays were handed in, and all were so good that the judges decided that "none of the papers submitted is of such distinguished character as to merit a prize of the value offered to the utter exclusion of all others." It was therefore decided to divide up the prize to be awarded according to merit to the best paper in each class. We are pleased to learn that Richard M. Johnson, of the firm of Johnson & Johnson, Charlottetown, P.E.I., was a successful competitor, taking third prize in the clerk's class and carrying off a cheque for \$30. Mr. Johnson took as his subject, "The Ideal Pharmacy," taking his points from the arrangements of Messrs. Johnson's up town store. The paper was deemed worthy of publication, and Mr. Johnson has been requested to forward an autobiographical sketch, as well as his photograph, to accompany the publication of his paper.

New Brunswick.

The drug business in St. John, N. B., during the month of April has been of the usual spring nature, good, indifferent and bad, according to the weather. Soda fountains are being cleaned up, and the decks cleared for the summer campaign, chest protectors and winter stock put away, stoves taken down, awnings put up, stores coming out in their summer attire, moth balls and insect powder to the fore. Individuals on being questioned as to the state of trade, are apt to growl about hard times and too much competition, this, however, is to be expected. The only time when the average druggist stops grumbling is when he is either dead or out of business. This reminds us of Punch's answer to the question, "Is life worth living?" -- "That altogether depends on the liver." And, considering the num-