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## Cditorial.

The debtruotive conflagration last month at Port Perry, Ont., affords andher and a very conolusive argument if any rere needed in favor of adequate protection against the ravages of fire. Afor weeks ago Port Perry ras one of the bugest and most substantial towns in Cangda, to-day the entire business porliog of it lieg in ashes, and it has sustain. od a lose that will take it many years to fally recorer from. İike nearly all other Caniadian towns, Port Porry mas lergely composed of wooden buildings, and the erents of the past decade have fully. Wrisen that when once firegets a tiold on Thed a place a clean, sweep is almost cerfin to be made. Very fem of our
 aggines and a pleñtifal water supply and the concequence is that most of them, and ripocially in dey summer weather, are If the mercy of any tramp who has boough of the devil in hion to pat a match To the oatbailding of some one who has parhapi reinsed him shelter. The case d. Port Perry merchants is donbly hard, wfor a long time they havo been agitating to hapo tho town bay them a atoam engioe and recare them againet sach a Glanity as has just overtaken thom.

This it appears tho majority of tho ratopayers have porsistently rofused, alleging that as it mor'l benofit the moroliants more than any one clec, they should pay for it thomeolves. As thage have tarned out, it would havo beon wiser for the merchants to have stood the wholo oxpense, but as they could not see into faturity thoy did not do so. Now, however, that the ontire business portion of the town has been swopt away, the kiokers have come to the conclusion that they were going agamst thsir own interests, when they refused to $g o$ in for adequate fire protection. Too lato they have found that thoir prosperity depended almost ontircly upon the merchants whose energes made it a trade contre. For the merchnats who lost therr all by thes desastrous fire, we have nothing but the heartiest sympathy, and trust that they may very soon recover the financial ground they have lost ; for those, howover, who selishly opposed tire proteotion.when it could bave been of benefit, and who now feel the offect of the disaster, we can only say, "served thom right." Through the energy of ats merohants, Port Perry will soon phonis. like nese from 'its ashes; "s finer and"a more complete town than the one destroyed; when it does so we are certain the lesson of the late fire will never be forgotten, but that by water supply and fire engines, it will be put as for as hamanly possible beyond the resch of a similar catastrophe.
the lesson op the fire.
The individual lesson of the Port Perry fire is not far to seek. "Bo sure you hare your stock and buildinys fully insured, and then even if. you be unfortunate enowgh to be Burned out you are in a position to start afresh without compliment to anybody."
We have writteu up the subject of adequate fire insarance in The Trader several thmes, lat at so jast as important now as it was the first time we touched npon it. Wie mould earnostly ajvist every one of our reanders to attend to this matter at once, ani. duu't delay it a siogle day. If yun ha e uut gut julur st cck and bailding fully inanred, du su befure you go to bed: We don't unde stanal how a merchant can sleep soundly at nighi. when he goes to bol wit' the knomiodge thet shopld a Ére uccar cariag the night, he mould rise a beg.ar i.a i.i. murniag.

## WARNING.

If wo wero tó toll our friond Mr. Blank, tho joweler in Jonosvillo, that wo had cortain information that his store was going to bo burglarizen to morrow night, wo are cortain he would not rest until he had exhausted evory precantion in mak. ing hie property seoure. If our informa. tion wore correct and ho did not, ho would bs an ass of the first water.
Now while we are not in a position to telegraph to any of our raders the preoise day or hour that an at'empt is to be made upon their safes, we wish to draw their attention to the fuct that such a thing may ovortako them any day. Burglarieshave beon so common lately thatone can hardly pick up a paper without reading of them. Why is this? Wo think that many if not most of the burglaries that ocour are, though not oceasioned, made poscible by the carelossness of the person robbed. Probably no rlass of merchants suffer more from the $d y$ predations of those miduight prowlera than do jewelers, because their stocks are valuable, small in bulk and easily disposed of, and yet we think we are safe in saying that no olass of merchants are more oriminally careless in their proteo tion We have written ap this subject at length in The Tradsr on two ocensions, and we know for a fact that in spite of our warnings in soveral instances lately. the ordinary precautions suggested by us were totally neglected. Why this is we cannot tell. In viers of the recent burglaries in Aurora, Usbridge, Peterjoro, and Cornwall, we think this an opportune time to sound a few words of warning to somo of our roaders who may heretofore have negI lected this very important matter. In I the first place we think that very many of the jewelers in. Canada are unaware of the fact that
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, No safe we thinh is absolutely hurglar , proof, rhat the :agenaity of one man has construct 1 , the ingeraits of some , other mancan destroy, if be has the time and opportanity. A so called barglar proof safe therefore is one that although it can be openei, will ts. : : the oparat ns uf the barglar $\varepsilon$, lon , that he will not dare to tackle it for fear of actection befure le can sccure the colt, uts. Thed again
apon tho position of a enfo and the opportunity tho burglar has of oraoking it. A safo may bo burglar proof in ono position, and entiroly worthless in anothor position, tho differenco being simply that in ono position the burglar can work his own sweet will on it without fear of interrup. tion, while in somo exposod position ho would not daro to touch it for fear that some one should seo him beforo ho lad tho job half done. Any ordinary fire-proof safo in Canada would afford as good protection as the best burglar.proof vault over built, woroit undor tho watchful eyo of the "Sontry go" of the regular army, or had a wide-anvalso Toronto policoman sitting upon it all tho timo. In its ordianry position howoverin a nercolant's store or oflice suol a anfo of this description

IS UTTERLY WORTILLESS FOR PROTECTION against a burglar who really wants to got into it. $\Lambda$ ferv minutos' drilling, a smart clip with a hammor on a small steel panch, a turn of the handle, and ho is in quiot possession of the contents. Although these safee aro first-olass as against loss by fire, they are useless to stop oven a novico in the art of burglary, and tho sooner that tho jewolers of Canada realizo this tho bettor. We think this is a fect that has nuver been brought home to the trado befnre. Most peoplo whon thoy invest iu a safo, think thoy havo purchased security, but such is not the ense; they have simply parchased a mass of old iron which is no betteg protection against barglary than a wooden safo. For our past we think
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in this matter, and while it is probably truo that they don't misrepresent the goode, nud soll a fre-proof safo only as a fire-proof safe, still thoy do not state the wholo truth about it. We think they should state plainly to overy oustomer buying a fire-proof safe that it was not burglar proof in any way and could bo oponed by an expert in filtoen minates, and that they took no risk in the matter. As tre said before very form jemelers aro akare of this faot, and we aro oertain that had it beea properly represented to them at the time they would noper linve dared to trast thoir all to tho proteotion of such a sham. In duing this mo think the safo makors would have consulted their own interests, for while it would not have doterred any person from buy: ing a safo at all, many if not the most of thoir castomers would lavo willingly
paid a higher price in order to get something on whioh thoy could depend. As tho mattor now stands there aro
thoubands of thebe wortmleses sapzs in oamada,
and to their tendor seoarity millions of dollars are ontrusted every night in tho full oonfidence that thoy can bo really dopended upon to hoop it in safety. Whon a victim of this misplacod confidenoo comes down to his store some morning and finds that he has been oloancd.complotely out during the night, ho foels like induding safe makors ns well as princos in the old scriptural injunction rogarding whom to trust. This is a very important matter and the sooner our safo makers awako to the gravity of the situation the better for the future of thoir business. In the meantime in reference to these fireproof safes that the country is flooded. with we thiuk that the safe manufacturers should devise some means of rendering them secure, and the sooner thoy provide
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the better. This we think they conld do very easily in two ways, each of whioh would add very mnoh to their seonrity at a very moderate cost. Wo think that a plate of ohilled steel hard onough to resist a drill, should be fastened on the inside of the door so as to protect the look, and that the part of the look that is now brokan off by the barglar's punch and which is mado only of cast iron, should be replaced by one of wrought iron or steel. Both of these things could be easily and cheaply done, and although they winid not make an ordinary fireproof sa. .ato a burglar proof one, they would make it very much stronger and more trustworthy. We don't think there is a merchant in Canada who would refuse to have such an improvement made upon his safe, were it offered to him at a roasonable price, and we think that it would pay erery safe manufacturer to offer to fix safes of his own manufacture at as near cost as possible. So much for this part of our subject. There is an old adage and a very true one which 5ays that
an ounce of prevention is better than

> A POUND OP CORE,
and in nu case is this more trae than in the prevention of burglarics. As we said at the outset of this article we have Fritten this matter of prevention up fully in Tae Tandsr on two difforent occasions sc wa shall not do more here
than sumply draw the attention of our readors to some of the safeguards wo hare before pointed out, The first is position Every merokant should havo his ecfa in an oxposed part of his shop, facing the winiow and as near to it as possible. (2) Plenty of light. There is nothing a burglar dreads so muoh as daylight or plenty of artificial light, thereforo kecp a good olear light closo onough to your aafo to show it up plainly. A safo mell lit up and in auch a prominont position that ovaryone passing the -atoro is aum to see it, is pretty safo from any attompt at burglary. (8) A good live clog. Everg joweler's safe should have a watchman of some kind or other. If you cannot gets man to watch it, a good dog is the next best thing, especially if addod to a good voice he have the grit to pat his teeth into an intruder.
These things are all simple and inerpenaive, and better than all, although not absolute proteation, thay add very materially to tha safety of any merchant's stock. There is

## still anotmer yrbcaution

that we think every joweler in Canada should adopt regarding thair stock, and althongh it may not do anything tomards keoping out a burglar it may add muterially in his deteotion and in recoovering the goods. And that is, let erery jerceler keep an accurats list of every uatci movement and case ho buys or sells, so that if at any time be should be robbed he can give the police a clue whereby the goods can be at once recognized if offered for sale anywhore. As things yow are, the police often get goods into thers possession without any ides of who the owner is, but had they such a list of numbers of watohes and cases and such like axtioles they could at once identify them. In conolasion we can only sas that the danger of barglary is more real than apparent. A barglar never gires any premonitory warning. He lays his plans, strikes and vanishes, and itis only by acoident that the old hands are erer caught. If any of our friends are ove unfortunate enough to have their safes burglarized, remember that the first thing to do, after notifying yoar local police, is to telegraph to the ohiefs of police in all the neigiboring towns and along the border, so that their escespe may, if possible, ba out off. Prompt action in this way is often productive of good regalts.

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## PERIPATETIO SWINDLERS.

There is acarcoly any lino of legitimato trado that offors so many opportunitios to unprincipled adventurers and swindlers to oxcroiso thoir talonts in as tho jowolry business. Speculators and swindlors ase constantly devising ways and menns for deluding the unwary under oloak of boing donilers in jowolry us kindied goole, and tho legitimato trado not only auffers great loss of custom from their "tricks and thear manners," bnt have to bear the stigna of being ongaged in dishoncst practices. Not ouly is the trade injured in repatation by theeo advoułurers, but retail dealers frequontly find thoir market for goods seriously demoralized by reason of its having beon flooded with spurious and worthless goods, made exprossly to decoivo tho ignorant and the ansupecting. Among the worst of these unprincipled adventurers is the travelling auotioneer, who goes about the country with a stock of spurious goods whoh he sells to the lowest biddor as genuino. Their plan is to visit a city or village, hire a. vacant atore, and therein exhibit their choap and worthless stock. The residents of the place and the farmers in the cicinity are thon notified by handbills and circulars, that thero is to bo a "bankrupt salo of a stock of choice jewelry, plated Faro, catlory, cto." Assurances are freely given that these goode constituted the stook of some large dealer in a distant city who has just failed, and a peremptory eale of the goods has been ordered. Occasionally theso auctioneers claim to represent somo manufaoturer who has been obliged to take this mixed stook to seouro an amount due him, and a quick sale is necessary. The auctionoer swindle bas been quite extensively worked, and the nuclioncers, strangers of unlenown reputations, bavo induced people to buy their oheap and valueless goods who would scarcely think of ependiug a dollar mith the resident dealer, well known in the commonity, for fear of "boing swindled." In many instances thoso auctioneers are backed by some eastern manufacturcrs of bogns goods, made expressly for this business; or by some restern jobber in guol goods, who keop the auctionoers stocked up with whaterer they requirs. Their gold goods, so-called, hare no right to bo so rould charge them two and a hali ur thave the desired effect. 'We have knome
dosignated, for the renson that so little gold entors into thoir composition that it would bo a yerfeot surpriso to it if it we. ever detcoted by the process of assaying. Their plated goods aro made of ohenp, trashy sluff, having tho thinnost possiblo film of silver plating that can bo doposited thoroon by tho electro plato process. Their oller goods aro all of tho "skin" kind, having no intrindio value whatover, for when a fow days' wear takes awny the gloss, what somains is useless. Yot these nuctiuncers work aff largo quantities of this stuff every yoar, the profit on which is very large. The American people, as Barnum says, dolight in being humbugged; wo may add that thoy also delight in being swindled, otherwiso they wauld not be cauglat timo after time, and year after year, by the same old dodge and the same artful dodgers. A safo rule to follow is to havo nothing whatover to do with auclioneers who sell jowelry unless you know that the stock thoy offor was iho lepitimate atock of a logitimato dealer. Occasion ally a jeweler is obliged to sell his stook at auction, but when ho does 80 he is very careful to give the publio an honest dosoription of his goods. It is the peri. patetio, anknown, irresponsible anction earing ad venturers that aro to y e avoided. It is safe to regard all suoh as strinulers and thoir goods as bogus, made, like Hodge's razors, to sell, and whoever bays is sure to bo badly bitten.

Anotho: class of peripatotio sdventurers who are to be aroided are the vendors of eyeglasses and speotacles. Thess chays usnally advertise them. selves as "celebrated opticiaus," whose knowledge of the human eye and its many defects, is, like Captain Cuttle's watol, which being set ahead a quarter of an hour in the morning and, fifteen minates in the afternoon, was "excelled by nono and equalled by fow." They adsertise liberally in the lucal papers, aud so gain the faror of thu editor, and freqnently announce free leotures on "discases of the oyo." Getting an rudi. ence, they recito a lot of well known facts regarding tho oye, to be found in any text-book on optics, and conclude by offering for sale eye-glasses and spec. tacles for which they clalm especial virtues. A feature usually dwalt upon is the exceeding cheapness of their goods, offering spectacles for ono dollnr which, they assert, tho local dea'
threo lollars for. Thoy find persons generally thoso past middle age, and frighten tharn by assuming to find de. fects in thoir cyes which bid fair to render them blind at an early day. " Madam," said one of theso peripatetio quacks to a lady winoso oyes ho Fa oxamining, " the condition of your eges s nlarming ; thoy are not equal in their powers of visiou, cousequently one $i_{1}$ doing the most of the work; the resalt will-bo that ono will bo destroyed from lack of uoo nud tho uther from urernori; this must be remedied; the lazs ese must be brought to pull its share of the load, hore is a pair of glasses espectals designed to remedy such defects, one glage being intended to hold one eje in check nnd to dovelop the full workiug capacity of the olluer; ouly two dollars for this pair that a jeweler mould change you five for." If the ola lady had thought to ask him how many persons have oyes preciscly alike, the quack rould not have told her that there rere very form, but rould labyo invented more hes for Ler benefit. Bat these feions, by their varied and ingenious dences manago to sell many glasses at good prices that are in fact worse than rorib Jess, for they are so inferior that they are positively injurious to the sight of whoover uses them. Sroh glasses as they sell uan be bought for a ferm cents each from the manufncturers, and are 80 poos in quality that the lucal dealer mould be ashamed to have them in stock. Yet people will pay these swindling quacks one, two or threo dollars a pair for them, When the regular dealer would be glad to ordor them for them at trpenty-five cente. But great is hambug and immense is quackery. All such itinerant scamps should be proseculed for obtaining money under false pretences. Tho law ought to bo brond enongh woover their arrest and imprisonment on the proma jacie eridence of their advertised canms and bogus endorsomunts. I'hey are unpnncipled swindlers, who aro robbing the public at esery opportunity.

A good way to oircumvent these srind. ling auctionears and optical tramps is for the local dealers in the places where they advertise to appear, to get ont circulan and scalter tham broadcast through the community, reciting the faots wh ress forth. If the names of two or thres dealers and well-known citizens avoat. tached to such rirculara, they are sare to

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instances whoro this has boon done with the offect of driving tho poripatotio sivinddlors out of town beforo thoy oponed up their spurions goods. Extracts from artioles that havo appoarod in The Circular on this subjeot have boen insortod in tho local papors, side by sido with tho ndvertisomonte of the quaoke with good offect on soveral occasions. When tho publio is plaoed on its guard in this mannor, it is usually slarp onough to avoid being swindled.-Jecrelers' Circular.

## the burglar's bane.

It was a small baok parlor, ovorlooking the solitary gardon, boyond which whs the open country, and the aurious invontions in which ho manifested such pardonablo prido wore contained in a largo glazed caso against the wail. At a coursory glance thoy did not prosent a very formidablo appoaranco. Most conspiouons among thou was a pair of stout, solid, but otherwise ondinary looking boots, two or threo door-mats, a couplo of high. orowned hard felt caps, and sojeral walk. ing stioks with nothing pesaliar in their appearance, excepting tho knots and forrales.
time most odd-Lookena article of the colloction, however, was an imple. ment that boro some resemblence to a dog's collar, except that it was sot round with short ourved steol toeth, and that, and at what seomed to bo the back of it, there was a short tabe like a pistol barrel. In an adjoining aase were another collection of curious implements designed to frustrato burglary in all its various branoles, but I had not come on purpose to investigato the merits of tho "Straugler's Bane," nad, thorefore, begged of hins, as the timo at my disposal was limited, to favour me wilh an inspection of that nrticlo in the first place at all events. "If you will accompany mo for a ferr minutes into the garden," remarked the ngenious gentloman, "I will practically demonstrate to you its atility. It is my latest invention, and I think you will sasy not inappropriatoly designat. ed it." Wo proceeded to the grounds behind the house, and, learing me alone for a short time ho returrod equipped as though going for a country walk. He had clanged his light shoos for a pair of heary boots, his embroidered silk skull cap had been abandoned for a black hard folt hat, a mafilor handkerchief was tiod about his throat, and he carried. in his hands a substantial-looking Falk-
ing stiok. $\Delta t$ first glanco I did not recognizo tho arliolos onumorated, but closor ingpoction convinced me that they wore among thoso I bad soon in tho glass caso. "As I now appoar," baid ho, srailingly confident, and pacing ap and down in ordor that I might viory him in sill points, "I flattor mysolf that I am a match and considerably
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that ovor attaoked an unsuspecting travoller, though I think I may ventario to say that you havo no moro idea of the seorot of my streugth than tho enemios of Sazpeson had of his before he was betrayed into rovealing it." I knem, at all events, that tho socret was not concoalod in his hair, as was the oase with tho slaughterer of tho Philistines, sinco, as alroady statol. I had soen him with his cap offand hisscanty looks had beensomehow scorched off his cranium. I made a guess and suggested that ho no doubt reliod onhis stiok for immanity from danger in tho ovent of any unsuspectea attack boing mado on him. "It is an improverient on the ordinary sword-stick I presume," said I. It seemed to gratify him immensely that I should be so wide of tho mark. "Well tho faot.is," he replied, "I could really do withoat the stick altogether. It is usefal but by no means indispensable. Its purpose is to summon assistanca to the spot where I happened to be attacked, though, unless more than a couple of fellows set on mo, I could easily taokle them without any holp. Yon shall see how the whole machinery worke." He called out "Joo," and a man mado his appearance. "This is my gardener," said the inventor, "and he is accustomed to assist me in my experiments. You of course are amare that the plan adopted by the villsins who lark in darls aud unfequented places to altack the unwary is to spring on their viotim and grasp him round tho nock from bohind, and so hold him half-throttled whilst the second robber. assists in front and dispossesses him of all ho may happon to have in his pockets. Joo, here, will

## act tifl part op a garboter.

You have got your thick leather gloyes on, Joor That's right You may as mell bob down when you grasp me. There is no ballet in the barriel, of course, but the flash of the nowder might huriyour oyes." Joo, with a perfeotly sorions countonanoe, touchod his cap, and-retired a few paces to the shade of a large
bush of holly near the path, and his mas. tor, buttoning his cont aud tuckng his stick under his arms proceodod to enact the part of a porson welking briskly along tho Queon's highway. Ho took a couple of turns to and fro on tho gravol path, and thon, as ho passed tho lurking gar. denor, ho gave him a nod to indicato that now was his time. Aoting on the hint, the lattor promptly sprang out of hiding, and soized his master from behind, gripping his throat with both hands. What immediphly onsuod caused me to hold my breath in nmazement. Whipp. ing the ehort.stiok from boneath his arm, the ingonious inventor of tho Stranglot's Bane struck tho knob of it smartly on the ground, then raisol it with an uprard jork, and
instantly followed a treabbidous bana, and at the same moment, with a sounding whiz, there mounted into the air some. thing like a rooket, only instead of bursting whon it had accomplished its skyward fight it romained in the shapo of a blue star floating as high up as the Lonsetop. Nor was this all. It was well for Joe that his hands wore protected by the thick leather gloves, and that ho bobbed domn as he had beon directed. No sooner had he spanned his waster's throat than a row of crooked steol teeth penotrated the mufllor and partially pierced the tough buckskin, whilo, as thongh operated by one and the same agonoy, a crack as of a pistol shot mas heard, accompanied by a flash, both proceding from the region of the nape of the .itacked ono's neok. Even this was not all. Ho stamped his heel in quick suc. cession on the hard graval and straightway there sprang out of the toe part of the heavy donble-soled boots a bayonet shaped spike, about three inches in length and evidently sharp as a needle. Tro similar though not more than half the length of the others, appeared likewise at the heels. With muoh more coolness and determination than an actual garot tar rould lave displayed on such, berwilder. ing conditions, Joe sianok to his man antil the lattor kicked out backwards, and then had to skip baok with considerable live liness to esoapa the spar. Instantly the victim faced round on his assailant and made a stab at bim with the dagger that by this time appasrod at tho ferule extremity of the ralking stick, nnd Joe, instantly succambing, foll on his knees and was at his victorions master's mercy. -Exchange.

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## ROLLED PLATE GOODS.

Wo havo reocived numorous inquirios of lato from dealors fluroughout the country who aro dosirous of knowing whers it is thant thoy do not got as good a quality of rollod-plate goods as formorly. Sosernl onuses combined linvo lad a tondonoy of late years to anduco manufne. turors to make na inforior quality of rollod-plnto goods. Tho principni one i. tho largoly incroased domand for chasy goods ooming from outsido doal. ors. Dry gools morohants have adderf to thoir stocks hnos of chenp jowelry, consisting of sloovo buttous, scarf pms, ladiez' bracolote, pius, cte., whilo gonts' furniahing.goods dealors novz oarry full lines of goutlomon's jowelry of the choapor sort. This is mostly rollodplate goods, and theso outsido doalors havo boen caastantly clamorous for cheaper goods. Quality pussessos lo morit in thoir oyes cthog want cheap guols that are attractivo aud will soll zeadily. Not being reguiarly in tho trado, thoy do not fear aftor-consequences for no ono over thinks of rotarniug cheap goods bought at a oheap placo because thoy are cheap. A regular dealer, howevor, must face the consequences if he sells guods that do not givo satisfactivn. To moot the outsido domand for oleap goods, manufac-1 turers have beon obliged to roduce the quality, and, as a consequonco, much of tho rolled-plate goods to be found in the markot aro far inforior to thoso mado $n$ fow years ago. The plato put uyon tho Laso metal is not so thick as formorly, whilo the gold embraced in it is not of so fine a quality. Egght and ton karat plate has taken the placo of fourtoon and sixteon karat, whilo the plate has lost its thickness and is but tho somblanes of what it formorly was. These goods look woll whon new and fresh, but they will net woar with any aatisfaction. Rolled-plate goods of the old sort wore good for ten or 'twelvo years' woar, but the modern plato will scarcely wear a year, and, beside, 18 olumsily made. Thoro are some manufacturers of rolled plate wino still maintain the old standard, and whose goods are as meritorious to.dny as over, but there aro many others who have so debased thoir products that thoy scarcely possoea a symptom of gold.

Tho romedy for the lees in patronizing only those manufacturors of rolled plate gooda whu maina a guod article, and wao do not soek the orders of outside dealors, but confine thoir sales striotly within tho
trade. Thore are many manufacturore. who do this, and such mon are entitlod to the confidonco of ilso trado. They mako cheap goods to bo suro, but thoy soll them for just what thoy aro, and to moot a logitimate domand. A still bettor way to meot the ovil complained of is to educnto tho peoplo to an appro. cintion of the bottor grades of goods; to tench them the difforenco botwoon cheap nud flashy jowelry and goods possessing intringso valuo combined with beauty of dosign and clegance of work. maselip. Fortuntely, the poople aro rapidly acquiring this knowledge, and the demand for tho bottor grados of goode lans nover been so great as now. But there will bo a demand for rolled plato goods, nud it is unfortunato that n cortain class of manufacturers aro so dobnsing the qualty of thom as to bring thon into disoredit. Some of the rollod plate jewelry now in the marhet is littio hettor than fire gill, and will tarnish nlmort as quickly. Legitimate dealers in tho trade should refuse to buy sach goods, but should leave their sale oxclusively to the dealoss in furnishing goods and Yankee notions. In France the law will not permit imitation goods to be sold in the same shop where genu ine goods aro kopt. It is not possible to apply such a lavt to tho trade in this country, but retailors themselvos should dravia broad line of demarkation between jewolry proper and tho " cheap and nasty" stuff that is sold by dry goods merchants, faucy goods dealers, and curbstone vend o. .. There is a distinction between the goods broad enougla for anyone to see, and they will find it to thair intersst in the ond to refuse to be identified with the latter olass. Tho trade in rolled.plate goods is legitimate, for there is a legitimate demand for them; but the traffic in "ssin" goods will not bo counten. anced by dealers of respeotability.Jeselers' Circular.

## BUSINESS OHANGESFOR JULY.

W. H. McCaw. jeweler, Port Perry, burned out. Laing \& Meharry and T. W. Parrish, hardware, Port Perry, burned ont. Von Gue ien Bros., Ieweless, Chatham, offering to compromise. Wood \& Leggatt, hardware. Hamilion, have admitted H. Vallance and W. A. Wrods as parnacrs, style $2 s$ before W F. Johnston. hardware. Arthur Ont. sold out to B Johnstos. Estate of C. A Rothwell, Strathmy not jewelry and fancy goods, sold out C.D. Grabam. joweler, Ottawa, assigned in trust. J. L Cassidy, wholessle crockery. Montreal, asking an extenston.

## BU8INESS NOTES.

Tus Burglar-Proof Safo question is appar. cntly going to be a live one in Canada amongut our jowelers. Wo would alviso every ono of our readora to read the editorial on it in this issue, and then look intoit at once.

Tus " Keystone \& Boss" casc peoplo are making a big push for this fall's trade, and their now line of gocds appears to embrace all the noveltics and improvements possible in an ordinary watch case. Tho well-known reliabil. ity of their goods makes sheir continuod siccess beyond a peradventure.
We understand that the Bates \& Bacon filled. cascs, especially those made on their patent dust-proof principle, are baving a big run in the States. The manufacturers are a thoroughly reliable firm, whose trade mark is always 2 guarantee for anything bearing it, and wo pre. dict for their goods a favorable roception in Canada.
In our advertising columns will be found a few cuts of Quigley's new patent case. shewing how it appears when open or closed. This case is fast becoming popular in Canada, and we aro informed that in the States a manufacturer bas purchased the patent, and is puishing it for all be is writh. From this it looks as though Canadian inventive talent were coming to the front.
Tirs recent cut of the Waltham Watch Co. seems to havo completely demoralized the watch business in this country. What's next, creryone is asking, and this is a query that no fellow can explain. The probability is that the good crop in the U. S., and consequent revival of trade will make, prices. advanco in the near future all along the line.
Tue store of Mr. A. M. Gilpin, jeweler, of Uxbridge, Ont., was entered by burglars on the night of the 7 th July, the safe forced open and worth about $\$ 2,000$ of goods stolen. Detectives have been placed upon the job, and as things at present stand, strong hopes are contertained of getting the goods back in the near future. It this can be accomplished and the burglars secured they should be rigorously. deall with.

Tus flled case business is apparently going to suffer or benefit, which ever way it may turn out to be, from plenty of competition. For. merly there were but two manufacturers in the United States. Now half a dozen are claimants for public favor. Amoggst others, the Daeber Watch Case Manufacturing Co., one of the largest in that country, are in the market, and it is needless to say that in this line of goods, as in everything else they turn out, their work is first-class in every respect. Some of their new eagraviogs are very fine, and their goods all around must make a favorable im pression amongst the trade.
Anongst the sufferers of the Port Perry Fire, we aro sorry to learn, was Mr. W H McCaw, the well-known jeweler. Mr. McCaw had, by hard work and close attention to bus1ness, succooded in making bumsell comfortatie, and his friends, and the trade generally, will sympathise with him in the heavy loss he has sustained. We understand that Mr. MeC2w

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with his accustomed energy, intends rebuildiag his store on the $1 d$ site. In tho meantime he has improvised temporary premises
Another of the sufferers in tho Port Perry fire was Mr. T. W. Parish, hardware merchant. We had a call from bim whito in tho city the other day, and he was loud in his praise of his "Taylor" safe, which he said bad roceived the hardest test that any safe could have been put to. After tho building had been burned the safe fell into the cellar into the coal oil tank, and got a sccond roastung from flames as bot as could be got up anywhere this side of Hades. In spite of thas double mishap however. when opened, the contents were found to be all right. Mr. Parish says that the J. \& J. Taylor safo is the one for his money.

## WORKBHOR NOTHS.

Carbolic Acid on Mietal Cutting Tools.Carbolic acid is rocommended for moistening the tools with which metals are worked. The efficiency of the grindstone is even said to be uncreased by the use of the scid. The dark and impure acid cas be used for this parpose.

Gold-Coloxzd Varnish.-For preparing a gold-colored varnish, pulverize i drachm of saffron and onehalf a drachm of dragon's blood, and put ibem into 1 pint of spirits of wine. Add 2 ounces of gam shellac and 2 drachms of Soccotrine aloes. Dissolve the whole by gentle heat. Yellow painted work varnished with this misture will appear almost equal to gold.

Re-Suarpaning Old Filrs.-First clean well with scratch brush, thea with beaxide: see that the file is thoroughly cican, then place it in a bath of the following solution: Ore part acid, five parts salphuric acid. Let it remain for three or four dajs or until the edges of the file are fully restored. Wash thoroughly with water to remove the acid, when the file will cut as good as new.

Re-lacquerisig Brass Orrameits.-The following is a good method for re.laequering brass ornaments. Wash the objects in a hot solution of potash (made pretty strong). When the lacquer is removed the articles should be washod and dried, then re polished before laequering: clean well and wipe with lime. Then when freo from rust or dirt. warm on a stove nafil just hot enough to bold, then lacquer with either brush or piece of raw cotion.

Russias Nisilu. The composition of the Russias tala or niello silser has hitherto been kept a socret to the Berlinct Tageblatt. The firm of F. Tacher \& Co., in Berlin, have dis. covered the method of manufacture and have made it in large quantities. It consusts of nine parts silver, one part copper, one part lead, and one part bismutb. which are melted together and saturatod with sulphur. This mixture produces the gorgeous blue which has often been erroneously spokea of as sted blue.

Britile Gold.-The goldsmith is oiten puzzlod to solten gold so it can be forged out thin withoat cracking and breaking. Some gold can bo forged out easily while others is very hand and britte, bocause the impuritien or alloys such as a little lead or rinc, lend to make it sa Moling orer a slone coal fre
would do tre same. Gold should be prelled over charcoal or coke, and, if of low grave, should not be exposal to the beat too long. If it has no " grain" malt agaln. If it does not take grain then.melt again and add a little saltpetre, and, a litile later, some borax. For ordinary meltings fuse with borax, stir well and add a little sal ammoniac just before pourng it out. In forging gold it should be annealed as often as it begins to get hand and brittle. Low grade gold needs annealing oftener than fincr gold. Heat red hot and let cool without tempering.

As: Imdian Bro:zz.-The Hiadoos possess a remarkablo ability for making alloys of iron, copper, zinc and tin. Let us cite the Biddery: the allog is called after the city where it is mos: prepared and found in all its purity. The cminent qualities of this alloy are that it is noa-oxidizable in and even if the latter is charged with humidity, uader the burning tropical sun, It is perfectly malleable and dces not crack except, perhaps, by violent blows. Objects of art manufactured from this alloy are colored black by plunging them into a single solution of saltpetre and sal-ammonia or sea salt and blue vitrol. One receipt for preparing the alloy reads as follons: 16 parts copper, 4 lead and 2 tin, meltod together. Zinc is combined with this mixture in a proportion of 3 to 10. Doctor Hamilton gives another formula : zinc, 126 parts; copper, 460 ; lead, $4 x_{4}$; no tin. These ingredients are finely. crushed and inclosed in a crucible with a mixture of beeswax and resin, to prevent calcination and to-simply effect fusion. The fusing alloy is run into an earthen monic and shaped into the desired. form. To give it a black color, a solation of sulphate of coppes is usod.

## OTHER NOTES.

A writer in Eagland has boen trying to remember whether there were not opals among the wedding presents of the Duchess of Albang. He is inclined to beliese that there were. "No jeweler in Loadon," be writes, "woald let a young man buy an opal for an engagement ring, any mofethan an emerald."
The ingenions Dr. Farr, calculates that the march of $1,000,000$ children ihrough life will be about thus Nearly 150,000 mill die the first year, 53,000 the naxt, 28,000 the third, and so on to Iess than 4,000 in the 13 th jear. There will bs 500,000 allve at the ead of 45 years, 370,000 at $60.90,000$ at $80,38,000$ at $85,2,100$ at 95,223 at rob, and at ros there will just be one survivor to tell the tale.
Tite latest wriakle in photography is a far simile of a postage stamp with the portrat of $20 y$ ane who chooses to pay for the curiosity in the contre. The stamps are made in large shects, containing soo pictures each, and the edges ass puoctured so that they can be separated just like the govarnment stamps. The portraits are not taken from life, but from ordinaty card or cabiact photosraphs.
Tris gears ago neither India, Australia, nor the Argentine Repablic, had sent 2 eargo of wheat to Europe. This year the amonnt of exportable wheat from india, is estumated at 50, 000,000 bushels, from Australia 35.000.000, and
from the Argentine Republic at 10,000,000 bush. els, a total of $85,000,000$ hushele In each of these countries the opening up of the country by railrards is stimulating wheat production in a surprising manner.

Sponge-planting is an enterprise that some speculative Frenchmen have on foot. It is proposed to bring the sponges from the waters of Syriz and the Archipelago. They will be carefally selocted, placed in a box pierced with holes, along with the rocks to which thes were found adhering, and transplanted in that part of the Mediterranean that washes the shores of Algeria and France. Three years at least will tell whether Frenchmen will continue to pay at the rate of almost fifty francs a pound for sponges.

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