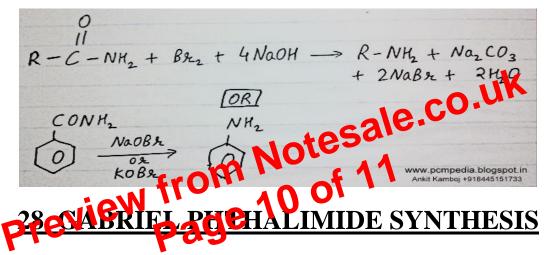


27. HOFMANN BROMIDE REACTION

When a Primary **AMIDE** is treated with an Aqueous or Alcoholic *NaOH* (SODIUM HYDROXIDE) or KOH (POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE) solution and **BROMINE**, it gives a Primary AMINE which has one CARBON atom less than the original A**MIDE**.



Phthalimide prepared with Ethanolic Potassium Hydroxide produces Potassium salt of Phthalimide when heated with Alkyl Halide followed by Alkaline hydrolysis forms the corresponding primary Amine.

