

Miscellaneous Matters.

HAMILTON Typographical Union held its annual dinner on the 16th December.

THE anarchists have 150 daily and weekly papers promulgating their views in various parts of the world.

THE printers of the Government Printing Bureau at Ottawa are asking a reduction of working hours from 54 to 49 per week.

THE editor's lot is not an unhappy one after all. Although he has the devil to pay every week he invariably does it without a murmur.

JOHN CRAIG, editor of the Fergus News-Record, has been nominated by the Reformers to contest East Wellington at the next provincial election.

EDITOR W. W. Buchanan, of the Royal Templar, Hamilton, was obliged to suspend his plebiscite engagements owing to an attack of the prevailing gripe.

GEORGE DARBY, who had been business manager of the Toronto News from its commencement, resigned his position recently and was succeeded by W. Douglas, a son of W. J. Douglas, secretary-treasurer of the Mail.

CHARLES SANGSTER, the well known Canadian poet, died recently aged 71 years. He was born at Kingston, and was for some time editor of the Amherstburg Courier. In 1868 he was appointed to the Post Office Department at Ottawa.

A CORRESPONDENT writes: "I send you a little poem called 'The Lay of the Lark.' If accepted, let me know." And the editor replies: "Rejected, with thanks. If you will send a few specimens of the lay of the hen we will accept."

THE Recorder Printing Company (Limited) has been incorporated at Brockville with a capital of \$15,000. The incorporators are Thomas Southworth, Geo. P. Graham, W. H. Comstock and Newton Cossitt, of Brockville, and James Cumming, of Lyn.

F. MONRO has removed the plant of the Woodville Independent to Tilbury Centre, where he has commenced the publication of the News in the Liberal interest. Mr. Monro has had a long experience in the newspaper line, and will be sure to give the people of Tilbury Centre a good paper.

THE Dufferin Post has for six years past been in the habit of issuing a daily edition during the Christmas holiday season. The daily is discontinued after the municipal elections, so that it serves the double purpose of aiding holiday trade and influencing the election of good men to the municipal council.

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THE French evangelical pastors of Montreal are endeavoring to start a Protestant organ in that city.

GRIP has been revived by the Phoenix Publishing Co., 81 Adelaide Street West, Toronto. It is quite up to its best form in days of yore, and ahead in one respect as it is printed from Toronto type.

JAMES S. BRIERLY, the energetic publisher of the St. Thomas Journal, claims for his paper the largest circulation of any daily in Canada in a city of less than 20,000. The average circulation of the Journal for December was 2,523.

A. R. McCOMB, late foreman in the Chronicle office, Arnprior, has purchased the job printing plant from the estate of the late C. Sherwood, St. Catharines. Mac's ability as a typo should bring that well-known office up to its old-time standard. We wish him every success.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION, No. 145, at Montreal, has protested against the printing of school books being granted to religious societies in that city who are subsidized by the Government and pay no taxes. It is said that over 200 compositors, pressmen and binders are out of employment in Montreal.

THE IMPRINT.—One of the finest little things in the printed line is a monthly journal published by the Toronto Type Foundry. It is sincerely welcomed by the Times as one of the brightest of exchanges, and prosperity is only one of the best wishes we have in store for it, its proprietors and editor.—Weston Times.

LADY MARJORIE GORDON, daughter of His Excellency the Governor-General of Canada and Lady Aberdeen, is the subject of an article in the November number of The Young Woman. Lady Marjorie, who conducts the little magazine Wee Willie Winkie for her mother, is described as the youngest editor in the world.

A POLL of all the principal libraries in the United States, which appears in the December issue of the Forum, shows that David Copperfield leads in popularity, every work of fiction. The nine most popular novels, in the order of their popularity, are as follows: David Copperfield, Ivanhoe, The Scarlet Letter, Uncle Tom's Cabin, Ben Hur, Adam Bede, Vanity Fair, Jane Eyre, The Last Days of Pompeii. This, the Forum argues, is a complete refutation of the notion, sometimes expressed, that Dickens and Scott and Thackeray have lost their hold. America's greatest novelist, Nathaniel Hawthorne, comes high up in the list, and Uncle Tom's Cabin holds its own.