

Thanks, Awfully!

THE SARRIA POST took occasion recently to say the following:

The Toronto Type Foundry has been in operation over five years, having been founded by J. T. Johnston in the spring of 1887. The business has steadily increased during that time and grown in favor with the printing fraternity of Canada. Early in the present year it was found necessary to provide additional facilities and secure more commodious quarters. Accordingly the concern leased for a long term of years the substantial and elegant premises, 44 Bay Street, an illustration of which accompanies this sketch. At that time the business was converted into a joint stock company, with a capital of \$150,000, and large additions were made to the plant and stock-in-trade, so that to-day the Toronto Type Foundry is far in advance of anything in its line in the country. The company is composed of high-minded and enterprising business men, among whom are H. A. Massey, W. E. H. Massey and Thos. M. Harris, of the Massey-Harris Co.—a concern known the world over for its honorable dealings and the excellence of its manufactures. S. C. Calvin, of the wealthy shipping and forwarding firm the Calvin Company, of Kingston, and John Marder, at the head of the type founding industry of the United States, are also members of the Toronto Type Foundry company. Their manager, J. T. Johnston, is well-known to the printers of Canada as a gentleman thoroughly up in everything pertaining to their art. A combination composed of people of this class is certain to secure and hold the confidence of their customers. The business relations between this company and The Post have always been of a pleasant nature, and the prompt and satisfactory manner in which they have fulfilled their part of the contract in the placing of new machinery in our establishment compels us to speak of them in words of strong commendation.

Toronto Employing Printers' Reunion.

FORTUNATE indeed is he who may obtain the privilege of attending any of the social gatherings of the Employing Printers' Association of Toronto. Printers generally are noted for their social characteristics, and when from this sociability all the best elements are taken and crystallized into the form of a banquet, where everything conduces to the display of the best attributes of the human mind, the result attained is a happy one indeed. Such an event was the dinner given by this Association on the evening of May 7th last, at the Rossin House, where upwards of a hundred gentlemen sat down, and having done full justice to mine host Nelson's excellent menu, proceeded to dispose of the toast list. The national and corporation toasts having been duly honored and responded to, Mr. W. A. Sheppard set forth in a well-written paper the aims, objects and merits of "Our Association." The "Sister Crafts" were ably represented by Mr. Campbell, of the Canada Paper Co.; Mr. Brown, of Brown Bros. Co.; Mr. Croil, for the Electrotypers; Mr. Corcoran, of the Canada Printing Ink Co., and Mr. R. J. Patterson, for the Typefounders. Mr. Brown was in a reminiscent mood and in a happy manner compared the lightning methods of book making of to-day with the easy-going but, as he called it,



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the "sure" binding of twenty-five or more years ago. Mr. Patterson discussed the effect of tariff on extra-hard Scotch, but this proving too "solid" matter, he was compelled once again to harrow the ears of his audience with a detailed account of the fate of his "Sunday Breeches."

Mr. Jas. Coulter, President of the Typographical Union, in a ringing speech, assured the employers that the society of which he was the head was "United to defend, but not combined to injure." Messrs. Diver and Baker, accompanied by Mr. W. J. Carkeek, ably sustained the musical part of what constituted a most enjoyable reunion of the Toronto Employing Printers.—[D. B. E.]