

mention names, for, to our certain knowledge, they wish to avoid all notoriety. Suffice it to say, gentlemen, we appreciate your kindnesses. They shall never be forgotten. These words may sound empty to some: to us they are full of meaning and but poorly represent our feelings.

#### The Memorable 20th June, 1877.

The 20th June, 1877, will be remembered for a long time in the city of St. John. Almost everything will date from the fire, as the great bulk of business was, on that day, very nearly brought to a full stop. Among the greatest sufferers may be classed those engaged in the printing business. Only two offices escaped the general destruction that took place on that day. The fortunate ones were Messrs. Geo. W. Day and Kane & Co., whose places of business are located on the very edge of the saved district. Ten printing offices were destroyed, viz.:

*Globe* office, news, book and job, Ellis & Armstrong, proprietors.

*Telegraph* office, news, book and job, Wm. Elder, proprietor. It was from this office that *The Printer's Miscellany* was issued.

H. Chubb & Co's., book and job office.

J. & A. McMillan's book and job office.

Barnes & Co's., news, book and job office. The *Religious Intelligencer* was issued from this office.

*Freeman* office, news, Hon. T. W. Anglin, proprietor.

Roger Hunter's book and job office.

Geo. A. Knodell's book and job office.

*News* office, news, book and job, Willis & Mott, proprietors.

McKillop & Johnston's news, book and job office. The *Watchman* was printed at this office.

The losses of the above will foot up in the aggregate to about \$160,000, outside of insurance. One circumstance which tended to make the losses of the different offices much heavier than perhaps they would otherwise have been, was the general and wide-spread nature of the conflagration. This, to a very great extent, prevented the employes from giving that attention to the saving of printing plant which, under different circumstances, would have been given. Every one was called upon that day to save what he could of his home, and, in the majority of instances, little thought was bestowed on the workshop or office, so very great and pressing was the demands on their attention in connec-

tion with home and "household gods." A great deal of printing material was placed in what was thought, at the time, to be perfectly safe places, but only a few of the offices saved anything whatever. What was saved from all of them, would not, if put together, form one office equal to the smallest and poorest one destroyed.

The following are the names of the employers who lost their homes as well as their offices: Mr. Jas. McMillan, Mr. John McMillan, Mr. Jacob Barnes, Mr. Robt. Barnes, Mr. E. Willis.

The editorial and reporting fraternity escaped almost unscathed. Mr. John Livingston, of the *Watchman*, and Mr. James Hannay, sub-editor of the *Daily Telegraph*, were about the only sufferers in this class. The latter was thoroughly "cleaned out," having lost his home together with a very valuable library containing many rare and valuable works, a considerable reference and law library in the *Telegraph* building, a book in course of publication—"The History of Acadia"—in Chubb's building, and \$2,000 worth of "Hannay's Reports," the whole edition, in Marshall's building. He was absent from the city during the conflagration and was, therefore, saved the trouble of trying to save any of this property.

The following is a correct list of printers working in the several burned-out offices and who were also burned out of homes:

*Globe*.—John Sullivan, compositor; Henry O'Neile, do.; J. J. Regan, do.; Wm. Burke, pressman; G. Petch, apprentice; W. Baxter, do.; N. Gannelo, do.

*Telegraph*.—H. Finlay, Foreman; A. W. Melville, Assistant Foreman; W. J. Kearnes, compositor; W. J. Smith, do.; Joseph Seymour, do.; G. B. Till, Sr., do. Job Office.—F. A. Lagrin, Foreman; John Seymour; G. B. Till, Jr.; James Byrne, apprentice. Press Room.—Thos. Rosignall, Foreman; N. Rosignall, pressman; A. Jacobs, do.

H. Chubb & Co., Book and Job Office.—R. Woodrow, Foreman; John Shannahan; Wm. S. Bailey; Wm. Lawson.

J. & A. McMillan, Book and Job Office.—William Ferguson, Foreman; D. Brown; R. Armstrong, apprentice; C. McChrystal, do.; John Beazley, do.; Charles Ferguson, pressman.

Barnes & Co., Book and Job Office.—Frank Barnes; B. Appleby; A. Barnes; B. Barnes, apprentice; G. Carr, do.

*Freeman*.—P. Tole, Foreman; J. Sullivan,