

the fame he is receiving, even if it is only in a recommendation for Minard's Liniment, which relieved his rheumatism and enabled him to write the able editorials for which he is noted.

J. M. Robinson will resume the management of the Review newspaper of Portage la Prairie, Man., now in charge of J. Hooper, on January 1.

A Quebec despatch says: Messrs. Belleau, Stafford, Belleau & Gellay, advocates, on behalf of Hon. A. R. Angers, instituted an action of damages against L'Electeur for \$25,000. The articles complained of were published at the commencement of this month, and accused the ex-Lieutenant-Governor of conspiring with Senator Landry to overthrow the Mercier Government.

Mr. J. G. Buchanan, city editor of the Hamilton Times, received a curious set of Christmas presents from Mr. Robert Bland of Raton, New Mexico. The parcel contained a tarantula, a scorpion, a horned toad, a centipede and a centipede's nest. The tarantula and the scorpion suffered from being crushed about in transit, but the rest of the interesting articles reached Mr. Buchanan in fairly good condition.

The Weymouth Free Press says:—Two American capitalists, the Smith Bros., of York, Pennsylvania, with Mr. Steadman, from Mill Village, Queen's county, have been recently examining the upper falls on the Sissiboo river, with a view to the erection of a pulp mill there. The pulp would probably be shipped at Port Gilbert station and thence to England via Halifax. It is hoped the company will see fit to erect their plant here.

The Owen Sound Times leads with its unique way of wishing its readers "A Merry Christmas." On the first page there was printed in a bright green in two-inch type. "The Times wishes you a Merry Christmas," accompanied by a Christmas verse in smaller type. The ordinary matter was printed over this in the usual manner, but the smaller reading matter could be easily read where printed in the larger green colored letters. It was an excellent idea—well executed.

PRINTER AND PUBLISHER received an invitation to attend the first annual press night at the Queen's Theatre, Montreal, on Monday, Dec. 11th, 1893, on which occasion John Drew was to present "The Masked Ball." Unfortunately we could not be present, but the event was a unique one. The Local Press Committee consisted of J. Tasse, Hugh Graham, T. Berthiaume, E. G. O'Connor, Andre Senecal, H. Beaugrand and Richard White. W. E. Burgess, of the Herald, was hon. secretary. The Montreal press possesses a great deal of esprit de corps, hard to find in other cities.

Herman Rudolph Reinhold, lithographer and engraver, Montreal, assigned at the demand of the Canada Bank Note Co., with liabilities close upon \$14,000. The principal creditors are Prof. Fenwick, mortgage, \$1,500; Trefle Bastien, mortgage, \$1,000; Canada Bank Note Co., \$605; George Bishop, \$649; Gebhardt & Berthiaume, \$573; George J. Gebhardt, \$677; Desharats & Co., \$438; F. Nash, \$480; Dr. Devlin, \$400; estate Jesse Joseph & Co., \$2,755. Mr. W. Alex. Caldwell has been appointed provisional guardian.

The Hamilton Typographical Union has elected the following officers:—Henry Obermeyer, President. Fred Aldridge, First Vice-President: W. J. Reid, Second Vice-President: R. R. Hinds, Secretary: David Hastings, Treasurer. David Ross,

George Schumacher, Albert Taylor, Managing Committee: George Henderson, Sergeant-at-Arms: Joseph Robbins, Jasper Hurrell, Trustees: James Snaudee, Samuel Trueman, John Burns, Auditors: David Hastings, H. Obermeyer, D. Ross, J. Burns, Wm. McAndrew, Delegates to the Trades and Labour Council. The annual banquet will be held next Saturday evening.

The country is full of advertising fakirs. One of the latest of foolish advertising schemes is a volume published in Toronto and called "Toronto Illustrated." A man buys \$15 worth of books and gets a free puff a couple of inches square, but very shallow. The book is a series of bubbles or puffs, illustrated with a few pictures of the "puffed." If these pictures could show the feelings of the originals after they received their books and realized what they had done, there would be a write-me-down-an-ass or a somebody-kick-me express' on their face. But tell it not above a whisper, there were some printers in it. Advice: Do not advertise in anything but a newspaper, or something that is entirely your own, such as a circular, catalogue, etc.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser says: Mr. Stead's scheme for starting a great English daily paper with £100,000 capital, all to be subscribed by persons willing to take the journal and paying for a year's issues in advance, has naturally failed. The egotistic journalist intended himself to be the absolute autocrat of the concern. People therefore declined to commit themselves to such an extraordinary scheme. Mr. Stead has accordingly informed Canadian enquirers that he is not "wanted" in this connection, as he previously thought he would be. His vanity has thus received a great set-back. Mr. Stead is nevertheless prepared to decide as to the ultimate destiny of Canada, after a few days' visit and possibly a dozen casual conversations with Canadians and Americans.

Henry Fraser Walter, J.P., of Papplewick Hall, Notts, England, whose death is announced, was one of the proprietors of the Times. He was the second son of the second John Walter, and brother of the present Mr. Walter, of Bearwood. Born in Printing House square April 17, 1822, he was educated at Eton and at Exeter College, Oxford. For a time he was practically associated with the production of the "Thunderer," joining Fred Magnay and William Delane (brother to the famous editor) in the early part of 1846 in starting a mill at Norwich for the production of the Times paper, but he soon became little more than a sleeping partner. After some years spent in travel Mr. Walter took Papplewick Hall of Squire Montague and settled down to the life of a country gentleman.

Many are the Canadians who have won their spurs in the journalistic fields of the United States. One of them is Charlie Price. He began life as a "devil" in the composing room of the Toronto Mail. Shortly after serving his apprenticeship he left for the United States, settling down in the city of Louisville, Kentucky. This was nearly twenty years ago. For a while he "held cases" on one or more of the daily papers in Louisville. By and-by he became foreman, afterwards drifting into active journalism. Now he is city editor of one of the evening papers there, drawing a salary of \$5,000 a year. Besides this he is secretary of the Louisville Jockey Club and correspondent for several sporting papers, all of which adds a few thousand dollars more per annum to his revenue. Charlie is still a young man, and the climax in his career has probably not been reached yet.