

payment of dues. Twenty-three cards were deposited, and thirty-six withdrawn. Two deaths are reported for the past term, viz :—Edward J. Ward and Thomas Cullin. The working card system is strictly carried out. Business is extremely dull, with little prospects of improving. The supply of printers is far in excess of the demand. Wages per week (54 hours), \$10.00; over-time, 25c.; piece-work—morning and evening papers and book, 30 cents.

From our Stratford, Ont., Correspondent.

Another new paper is talked of.

Business lively, with lots of advertising and job work.

There are now employed in this town thirty-three printers.

Bill Shearley, of the *Colonist*, has left the "biz," and gone clerking.

G. W. Day, formerly of the *Herald*, has left the business and gone as a clerk in a store at Mitchell.

The *Volksfreund* has made its appearance. It is a spicy sheet, and is sure of a good subscription list among the Germans of this part.

Ned Klein, from Walkerton, has obtained a "sit," on the *Herald* here; although he is without his first finger, he knows how to "slash dem in."

UNITED STATES.

Philadelphia Typographical Union, No. 2, donated \$200 to the yellow fever fund.

The employes of the *Public Record*, of Philadelphia, contributed over \$125 for the relief of the yellow fever sufferers.

The Western Associated Press held its annual convention at Detroit on the 14th August. The old officers were re-elected.

The weekly *Agitator*, of Philadelphia, is now published as a Sunday paper, the change having taken place on the 15th ult.

Mr. Goodsell, the New York manager of the *Graphic*, stated recently that the paper was making money and paying its debts.

Charles Austin Lord, many years editor and proprietor of the *Christian Mirror*, died recently, aged 72 years, at Portland, Me.

Business at Boston at present is very good on the morning papers, the sub-lists are full, and the supply of comps. far exceed the demand.

A young man named McCarthy, a printer employed by Rand & Avery, Boston, was drowned

while out boating at North Hanson, Mass., recently.

Mr. George Parsons Lathrop has become the editor of the Boston *Courier*. For some years past he has been one of the critics of the *Atlantic Monthly*.

The *National*, an afternoon one-cent daily, published in Philadelphia, the advocate of the national-greenback party, recently suspended for want of support.

The value of the New York *Sun* may be estimated when it is stated that shares in its capital stock nominally worth \$1,000, was recently sold for \$2,600 each.

The *Britannic* is the name of a new weekly paper which has made its appearance in New York in the interests of British subjects in the United States and elsewhere.

Boston has several noted tramp-printers at present, among whom are "Texas Jack" McGinty and "Rocky Mountain" Jones. "Rocky" is talking of taking a slow walk to Providence.

Signor Patricius Smith, the well-known metropolitan typographical politician, has left Gotham for a short sojourn in Boston. Pat is a descendant of John's, and don't spell his name S-m-y-t-h-e.

The *Times* (A. K. McClure's paper) announces in its issue of the 16th ult. that it will hereafter be published every day in the year. The Sunday edition will be a large quarto sheet, similar in appearance to the present daily.

There are quite a number of prints in Boston, who are thinking of "skipping" South this winter, as they say the yellow jack has "killed off" lots of the boys. Of course, they all expect to find a "bonanza" in New Orleans.

The Misses Warner, whose *Wide Wide World* and *Queechy* were, a few years ago, among the most conspicuous of sensation novels, are now elderly persons, who live nicely on one of the islands in the Hudson River, and receive a comfortable income from their books.

William Cummin threw up his "sit." on the Boston *Globe* a few weeks ago and thought he would take a "skip" to the old country. He left East Boston on board of one of the Cunard steamers for Liverpool. I think he will find it a little difficult to be a "grasser" on the old country papers. "Whoa, Enma."

"Skinny" Hynes, a well-known and popular