

aged to extend their work over 1,100 hours. The House of Lords sat for less than a sixth of the above number of hours. The House of Commons sat beyond midnight eighty-five times, and on thirteen nights sat until later than 3 a. m., extending its sitting of the second of August until past 4 o'clock on the next morning, its sitting of the first of April until past 6 a. m., and its sitting of the 13th May until half-past 9 on the next morning. The *Times* reports at the rate of about a column per hour, and had 1,200 columns of speeches during the year. These facts must have taken more than a day to discover. What do they prove?

The *American Catalogue*, now issuing by F. Leypoldt, New York, brings into juxtaposition, for the first time, the works and editions of authors whose books were previously to be found only by a long hunt through many publishers' or library catalogues. Probably no family has been so prolific as that of Jacob and J. S. C. Abbott and their sons. Jacob, in fact, leads all American authors in actual work; no less than 170 individual works, divided among seven publishers, being credited to his name, besides 32 jointly with his brother; J. S. C. has 27 of his own; and of the sons, Lyman, editor of the *Christian Union*, has 6; Edward, editor of the *Literary World*, 4; and Austin and B. V., the editors of legal digests, 14 works, in 84 volumes. T. S. Arthur, the temperance writer, counts just 100. William T. Adams ("Oliver Optic") has 82, of which all but one, however, are on the catalogue of one house. A Sunday-school writer, little known by her real name of Mrs. H. N. W. Baker, but better as "Aunt Hattie" and "Mrs. Madeleine Leslie," leads all in actual number of volumes, 206, but as many of these are tiny 32mos, it represents a less amount of actual work. There are 55 Browns entered as authors, of whom six are simple Johns, distinguished by place. But there are two John Browns of Edingburgh, the M. D. and the D. D. Alice seems to be the favorite name in fiction, 57 titles beginning with that word. Over 60 editions or adaptations of Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" are entered, with translations in eight languages, and over 50 of DeFoe's "Robinson Crusoe." Of Dickens' works, there are no less than 24 editions, besides those of his individual books. Dumas' works are presented by different publishers under a most remarkable masquerade of altered titles and combinations, but as a rule they are traced to the original book.

Trade Notes and News.

Requirements in the lower provinces—printing ink and marble paper manufacturers. Who starts first?

£46,000 worth of printing paper was imported into the New Zealand colony during the past year, 1877.

American paper manufacturers are buying all the poplar wood they can find, and paying fifty cents a cord for it in the tree.

G. L. Mair & Co., Ironfounders, Napanee, Ont., are making a speciality of portable upright-column engines of two or more horsepower.

Messrs. Bligh & Co., color manufacturers, St. Catharines, Ont., intend very shortly to commence the manufacture of printing inks of all grades and colors.

John Davis, formerly of London, England, paper marbler, is engaged as finisher, etc., by the Napanee Mills Paper Manufacturing Company at their Newburgh mill.

Great Britain imported £157,303 worth of books in 1877, and exported £877,742. The United States imported from England £191,820, and exported to England £23,732.

Napkins and handkerchiefs, made of Japanese paper, as soft as silk and very cheap, are becoming fashionable and popular. The cost is less than the laundry price for washing.

A fire broke out near the chip boilers about 9 a. m., at the Napanee Mills Paper Mill, Tuesday, Oct. 22nd, also later during the same day. Both fires were promptly suppressed by the practical manager, Mr. William Finlay and his staff.

Mr. John Riordon, paper manufacturer, Merriton, Ontario, was appointed representative at the Ontario Manufacturers' and Industrial Association for the paper department. The association commence their sittings on Tuesday, Feb. 29th, at Toronto.

The Napanee Mills Paper Manufacturing Co., are about to start the manufacture of marbled paper at their Napanee and Newburgh mills. They have secured the services of Mr. Jones, a celebrated marbler, formerly of London, England. Success to the undertaking.

Among the officers recently elected by the Manufacturers' and Industrial Association, we