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PRACTICAL PARAGRAPHS.

Book Work---Preparing for Press.

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MAKING THE MARGIN---Continued.

The greater the number of pages in a sheet, the smaller in proportion should the margin be: the folded paper, therefore, should lie proportionally less over the edge of the adjoining page, both for gutter and back, in a form of small pages than in one of larger dimensions. A folio may require the page to be half an inch nearer the back than the fore-edge; while a duodecimo may not require more than a pica em.

In imposing jobs where two or more of the same size, requiring equal margins, are to be worked together, fold the paper to the size appropriate for each, and so arrange the type that the distance from the left side of one page to the left side of the adjoining one shall be exactly equal to the width of the folded paper, as before described.

Having dressed the inside of the pages, next place side and foot sticks to their outsides; being thus secured by the furniture, untie the pages, quarter after quarter, the inner page first, and then the outer, at the same time forcing the letter toward the crosses, and using every precaution to prevent the pages from hanging or leaning; and, in order to guard against accidents, when the quarter is untied, secure it with a couple of quoins.

LOCKING UP FORMS.

First, carefully examine whether the pages of each quarter are of the same length; for even the difference of a lead will cause them to hang. Test their exactness: place the ball of each thumb against the centre of the foot stick, raising it a little with the pressure, and if the ends of both pages rise equally with the stick it is a proof they will not bind, then fit quoins between the side and foot stick of each quarter and the chase. After pushing the quoins as far as possible with the fingers, make use of the mallet and shooting stick, and gently drive the quoins along the foot sticks first, and then those along the side sticks, taking care to use an equal force in the strokes, and to drive the quoins far enough