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quite lost. This is why a landscape in half-tone printed with green ink looks so insipid.

WILL GO OUT OF CANADA.

If what PRINTER AND PUBLISHER hears is true, the new hymnal for the Presbyterian Church will not be printed in this country at all. The specifications on which tenders were asked were examined by a number of our leading firms, but the terms were pronounced too vague, and it is said that no actual tenders were put in. The idea is that the work will be set up and bound in the Old Country, as it can be brought in free of duty. PRINTER AND PUBLISHER would like to see the book done here, and does not wish to see a single job of the kind go past our own printers, who can do as good work as others in any country.

POSTAL MATTERS.

THE Post Office Department has lately had to dismiss from office and criminally prosecute a postmaster for an offence of near interest to publishers. This official coolly opened a letter addressed to a newspaper in his town and deducted from the money it contained a sum sufficient to cover a commission he thought due him. Apparently the postmaster in question thought he had some proprietary hold over letters passing through his hands, as if an official can do what an ordinary person cannot do.

The following order has been issued to postmasters by the Department: "Several cases have lately come to the knowledge of the Department in which newly-established newspapers have been accepted by postmasters for free transmission to subscribers without the authority of the Postmaster-General. It is,

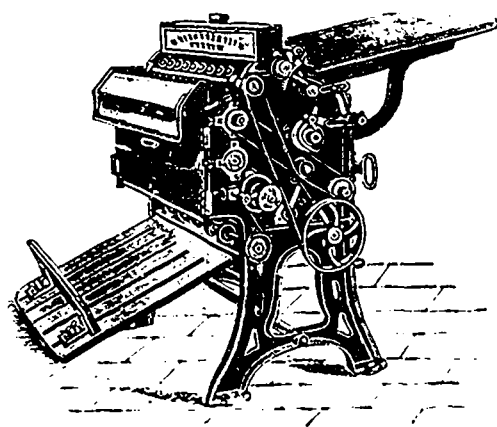
however, distinctly laid down on page 9 of The Postal Guide that 'before any newspaper or other publication not heretofore recognized by the Department as entitled to freedom from postage can be admitted thereto, a copy must be submitted to the Postmaster-General for his examination and for his decision on its claim under the statute.' It is hoped that this very clear instruction will not be overlooked by any postmaster in future."

"LE SOIR" MANAGEMENT.

THE new Minister of Public Works does not intend to relinquish journalism because he has been elected to look after the public's interest in the great spending department at Ottawa. It is learned on pretty good authority that the new French evening paper in Montreal, *Le Soir*, has been practically acquired by him, and that the deal will be finally wound up in the course of a week, by which H. J. I. Tarte will become editor and managing director. The new paper has not yet bought any plant, being still run off by *La Presse*. Hoe's representative, as noted in this journal, was in negotiation with the management in Montreal last month, but did not close with them for any supplies. The Dominion Type Foundry has also been after the order, but nothing has been done yet.

CANADIAN TYPOGRAPH CO.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Typograph Co. was held in the company's office at Windsor, August 5. The following officers were elected: Joseph Taylor, president; M. J. Dee, vice president; F. S. Evans, secretary-treasurer; directors, Cameron Currie, Detroit, Mr. and G. H. Scripps, Cleveland, Ohio.



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