



THE different specimens sent in by The Times Printing Co., Orillia, Ont., are, in the majority, very creditable work. The J. R. Eaton card is the best of the three. The bill-heads and letter-heads are well displayed. The cut on "The Times" letter-head is all right, but it might have been left off the Board of Trade members' ticket with advantage. The "At Home" programme and the other folding cards are very neat and well displayed specimens. The school diploma is a good piece of work as far as the body goes. The heading would be preferable in a stronger letter. As it is, the lettering is obscured by too much scroll work. The word "that" at the beginning should have been the same size as the rest of the script. On the whole the work done at the The Times office is of a high class and shows good taste and judgment.

The Thorold Post office have done some fine work on a prize list which we have received in both folder and booklet form. The composition all through could be little improved, the title page being particularly well displayed. The cover of the booklet is a sample of up-to-date designing, simple and effective. Although the bronzed border might have shown up better if printed in gold, the silver bronze harmonizes with the color of the paper probably better than anything else. The label would be just as well without the cut, though no objection can be made to it.

Some really artistic work is done by The Print Shop of St. Catharines, Ont. Some specimens of their work have been sent to us and on the whole we pronounce them excellent. One of these is a book of samples, which The Print Shop sends to possible customers. It contains printing that would do credit to any Canadian or American office whose work we have seen. The best of the specimens is the booklet, "That Most Persistent Beggar," which, in composition and colorwork is faultless. The Print Shop booklet is well gotten up, but we think the margin idea has been a little overdone, and the margin headings would look better if placed on the outside edge of the page. The blotter is a good idea and well displayed. The advertising novelties in booklet and folder shape are "catchy" ads. The Print Shop makes good use of deckle edge border.

"Western Editors on the Wing" is the title of an interesting book printed by The Manitoba Free Press, Winnipeg, containing an account of the second annual excursion of the Western Canada Press Association, from Winnipeg to Quebec. The book is a very fine production, the covers being neatly designed in type and rules, and printed in

colors. The composition throughout the work is excellent and the presswork on the half-tone plates, with which the book is fully illustrated, could not easily be improved upon. The Free Press has shown both good taste and fine printing in this book.

The Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia, founded by Benjamin Franklin, retains for its display headings the same style of type that was originally used on it in the early part of the 18th century. This type and others of like nature are greatly used for headings, etc., by many journals and job offices. The Keystone Type Foundry are making a series of these types, called the Ben. Franklin, which are sure to become popular. For body type the 8 and 10 point Franklin should be very desirable.

A UNION MEETING IN MONTREAL.

AS soon as the Dominion elections are over, the executive of the Canadian Press Association will take up the question of holding the 1901 meeting in Montreal.

As a meeting place, Montreal would form a convenient point for the assembling together of the members of three perhaps four, press associations. At a meeting of the executive of the Province of Quebec Association in Montreal last week, the proposal to cooperate with the Canadian Press Association and invite it to Montreal was cordially received and endorsed.

The Eastern Townships Association has just held its annual meeting in Sherbrooke, and a decision was reached to meet in Montreal next February. Those present included L. E. Charbonnel, Cookshire Chronicle; W. L. Shurtleff, Coaticook Observer; J. C. Holland, Stanstead Journal; A. L. Lance, Richmond Times; L. S. Corey, Granby Mail; W. A. Morehouse, Sherbrooke Examiner, L. S. Channell, Record; L. A. Belanger, Progres de l'Est, and E. S. Stevens, secretary-treasurer. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: President, J. C. Holland, Stanstead Journal; vice-presidents, L. E. Charbonnel, L. A. Belanger and A. L. Lance; secretary-treasurer, E. S. Stevens; executive committee, L. S. Channell, W. L. Shurtleff and L. S. Corey.

The pleasure which would arise from such a union meeting is admittedly great. The main point for members of the Canadian Press Association to consider is whether the attendance from Western and Central Ontario would be sufficiently large to warrant the executive in deciding in favor of Montreal.

It would, therefore, be advisable for members living west of Toronto to communicate with the Secretary, Mr. John A. Cooper, if they see any objections in going as far east as Montreal. This will enable the executive, when it meets about November 15, to reach a decision with some knowledge of the wishes of the members.

D. W. B. Spry has been managing The Chatham Banner for the liquidator. Its former publisher, N. W. Ford, has returned to insurance work. The assets and good will have been bought by W. G. W. Dickson, Chatham, for \$5,111.