

NEWS OF THE CRAFT.

LOCAL.

J. & A. McMillan expect to occupy their new building in a few weeks.

Roger Hunter, has secured cosy quarters and a good stand on Prince William street, near the Market Square.

J. H. Hennigar, has been taken on the local staff of the *Globe*, in place of Robert Armstrong, to whom reference is made in another part of this department.

The Evening Star is the title of a new daily paper which, rumor says, will soon be issued from the office of Bowes & Perley. It is started with the intention of filling a vacancy in the conservative literature of the day.

R. & E. Armstrong, the former lately on the reportorial staff of the *Globe*, and the latter until recently working in Barnes' office, have secured the type, presses, etc., belonging to the late firm of C. Armstrong & Co., and intend carrying on book and job printing in all its branches.

Geo. Stewart, jr., we understand, has been proffered and has accepted the editorial management of the *Canadian Monthly* and *Belford's Magazine*, which two publications are to be united on or before the 1st of July, under the elongated title of the *Rose-Belford Canada Monthly*. We congratulate Mr. Stewart on his acceptance of such a high trust, as well as the company on their choice of an editor. The accession of Mr. S. to the management, we have no doubt, will cause the *Monthly* to become very popular in St. John, while from the tact and talent displayed by him in his younger days in the conduct of *Stewart's Quarterly*, as well as his still later and more mature literary efforts, there is good reason to believe a brilliant future awaits him.

Newspaper printing is quite brisk here just now, but the same can hardly be said of job work, many offices having but few orders ahead. Owing partly to the starting of new printing concerns, few printers are idle at present, and, judging from appearances, there will be work for all, temporarily, at least. Speaking of the starting of new printing offices, we are somewhat puzzled to think how they will all come out. We were under the impression there were already plenty to do the work, and if our judgment was right, and the trade is divided up to give the new comers a share, some of the

older houses must necessarily suffer. Still, notwithstanding the tendency to "cut prices," arising from the new state of things, it is to be hoped that the old reliable houses, whose reputations for good work have been established beyond a doubt, will not be affected in any material degree for some time. If they are, they have only themselves to blame, in perpetuating the present incongruous and unjust apprentice system, or rather the want of system now prevalent.

There are quite a number of changes in the staffs of the city offices to note this month. J. P. Bowes, of Sackville, who worked for some time in the *News* office previous to the fire of 20th June, '77, but who retired to Sackville soon after that event, is now subbing on the *Telegraph* vice James Porter, who is working on the *Miscellany*.

The *News* office has replaced the hands who went out to the *Visitor* office, with the following: James Foster, who has been until quite recently working in Day's; James Berry, of Fredericton; and Maurice Hughes, who has been working outside of printing since the fire.

Armstrong & Hopper, proprietors of the *Christian Visitor*, have purchased an outfit, in Boston, we believe, and intend printing the paper themselves. Besides, they have put in material for a job office, which they hope to make remunerative. S. J. McCready, late of the *News* job rooms, is foreman, and he is assisted by W. H. Turnbull, and John Rogers, of Providence, R. I., lately both of the *News* office.

McKillop & Johnston, book and job printers, have secured permanent quarters in the new brick building, now being erected, on the site of their old office. We admire the business pluck of these two young men, and believe it would be a hard conundrum to guess as to which of them has the best "staying" qualities, whether Bob or Jack. Their lines have surely fallen in hard places. They deserve better luck, and we sincerely trust they will win it.

DOMINION.

The *Cornwall Reporter* has introduced a Gaelic column.

The first number of the *Daily News* has made its appearance in Montreal.

The *Globe* Printing Company, Toronto, has declared a dividend of four per cent. for the quarter ending 30th March last.