PUBLISHERS' MISTAKES

1 N an address before the South Carolina State Press Association on "Country Journalist and Printer," Mr. Hugh Wilson concluded as follows:-

It is a mistake :---

To buy two small fonts of body type instead of one large font.

It is a mistake to buy long primer, to fill a blanket sheet with leaded matter.

It is a mistake to buy long primer or brevier, because of the difficulty in getting suitable headletter for those sizes of type.

It is a mistake to buy a keg of tar, or to take a keg of ink which advertising agents offer, and attempt to print a decent paper with leaded long primer.

It is a mistake to think the public is not a good judge of newspapers, and it is a worse mistake to suppose that a great many people can be found who will pay for a poor paper which is badly printed.

It is a mistake to maintain fictitious circulation, with the idea that better prices can be had for advertisements.

It is a mistake not to have an abundance of headletter, and it is a greater mistake to neglect the heads.

It is a mistake to hire printers by the week, instead of by the piece.

It is a mistake to waste time in setting up miscellaneous articles. Better find original matter of some kind.

The chief business of the country office being to print the paper, it is a mistake to economize in the matter of body type. A surplus for use on extra eccasions is of immense advantage.

It is a mistake to buy small job fonts. Better buy not less than twenty-five to fifty pounds of any letter which is used in heads or in advertisements. Six such fonts would be worth a cartload of smaller fonts.

It is a mistake to quarrel with one's competitor. Better let each attend to his own business; and if we realize the importance of our own work, we will find enough to do m pushing our own business. There is no sense or profit in local editors holding each other up to public redicule.

It is a mistake to quarrel at all with anybody.

It is a mistake to make a circus poster of your advertising pages, or to use more kinds of type than is absolutely necessary.

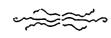
A YOUNG country editor fell in love with the clergyman's daughter. The next time he went to church he was rather taken aback when the preacher announced his text: "My daughter is greviously tormented with a devil." *Printer's Ink*.



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