

## "SORTS."

A highly intelligent dog—a type-setter.

Brigham's widows are to bring out a book. It will be called "That Husband of Ours."

A tinker named Todd publishes a temperance paper, and has sued a contemporary for calling him Todd-y.

A Minnesota man, who could never afford to take a newspaper, mortgaged his house to buy two more dogs.

This is the latest for wedding invitations: "Come around and see us capture a mother-in-law at eight o'clock, sharp."

One of the best trades enny man can make is to sell out his religious creed and invest the proceeds in charity.—*Josh Billings*.

A newspaper is the only instrument which can drop the same thought into a thousand minds at the same moment.—*De Tocqueville*.

At a printers' festival lately the following toast was offered: "Woman—Second to the press in the dissemination of news."

A Welsh editor says: "If we have offended any man in the short but brilliant course of our career, let him send us a new hat and say nothing about it."

"There are five preachers to one editor in the Kentucky penitentiary." We hope no one will say that one editor needs at least five preachers.—*Boston Post*.

The compositor who substituted an "m" for a "w" in speaking of a lady troubled with "swelling of the feet," accomplished the worst typographical feat on record.

And now the soul weary reporter hesitates to suspend his long drawn items on the copy hook lest the foreman should enquire whether it is a new advertisement or a business notice.

An Irish newspaper, in detailing an Orange demonstration, stated: "The procession was very fine, being nearly two miles long, as was also the prayer of the Rev. Mr. Perry."

Tramp, tramp, tramp, the boys are marching; hark, now, I hear them at the door; so my darling Mary Ann, you must hide your jelly can, or you'll never see its contents any more.

Those men who expect a minister to give them \$1,500 worth of grace for \$800 salary are the same who demand local notices in their home paper for nothing, and who do their advertising on Novelty press hand bills.

"Will you please insert this obituary notice?" asked an old gentleman of a country editor. "I make bold to ask it, because I know the deceased had a great many friends about here who'd be glad to hear of his death."

A stranger arrived in St. Louis, took a look at the city and shot himself. In his pockets were found thirty-five cents and a stub of a lead pencil, which caused the coroner's jury to return a verdict: "Chicago editor—couldn't stand prosperity."

"They All Do It," is the title of the "Danbury News Man's" new book. If Bailey means that all the men who subscribe for a newspaper pay promptly for the same, his title is a hollow mockery, and should be hacked down with a little hatchet.

We were not one of the newspaper men who were swindled with the new counterfeit five thousand dollar bill. We compared it with others in our pocket, and refused to take it. We imagine that we had sense enough to have kept our mouth shut about it even if we had been fooled.

"Rags are as beauties, which unconcealed lie, but when in paper, how it charms the eye! Pray save your rags, new beauties it discovers; for paper, truly, every one's a lover; by the pen and press such knowledge is displayed as wouldn't exist if paper were not made. Wisdom of things mysterious, divine, illustriously doth on paper shine."

"And we the jury hereby engaged in said investigation, do forthwith paregorically and euphemistically find that owing to a corrugation of prophylacticism and the insidious prognostications of the alluvial impossibilities, certain things have taken place. If said so and so had done differently from what he did do, he would not have done the same that we find he was, and it ought to be considered to have done, and nobody is to blame."

The following versions of the word "kerosene" have actually been received by the Portland Kerosene Oil Company in its correspondence: Caracine, caracene, caroziene, carocine, cursene, carozyne, coriseen, carosyne, caricien, carcine, carasene, carozine, carocene, carosen, carycene, caresien, caraseen, caroseene, carisen, carecene, carizoein, kericeene, karosin, kerocine, keressean, keriseene, karasene, kerosen, kere- seen, kerison, kerriseen, kerricene, kerossean, kerosine, karosina, keresene, kerresein, kerosa, keroscene, keraseen, kerson, kerocene, kero- zene, kerrisene, kerryren, kerrissien, kerossein, kersien, kerriscene—49 in all.

We have received a copy of *El Siglo Diez y Nueve*, a journal published in the city of Mexico. Its editorials seem poignant and suggestive, and are in nice large type. With many of its utterances we entirely agree, but the following statement embodies too glaring a misconception to allow it to pass uncorrected:—

"Pare que el pensamiento alcance perfecto desarrollo, se necesita que hable la misma parte interesada, y que al hablar."

The editor, in penning the above sentence, only exhibits his entire ignorance of the present aspects of this important question. Any one acquainted with Mexican affairs might know that the pensamiento is not nearly so much desarrollo as it used to be, and that the hablar, so far from being incompatible with a moderate degree of interesada, in no respect deviates from the natural order of sequence in such cases. The *Siglo* man ought to be more careful in his statements.