

## AROUND THE CITY.

THE Grip Printing & Publishing Co., has disposed of The Educational Journal to Prof. J. E. Wells, who has so long and ably edited it, and it is now issued under his management. This company is now confining itself to its printing and engraving business.

Tom Galbraith, recently commercial editor of the Star, is now commercial editor of the World.

W. L. Edmonds, editor of The Canadian Grocer, put in ten days seeing the World's Fair. He has returned much pleased with what he saw.

Fred. Pym, of W. S. Johnston & Co., printers and binders, Melinda street, has been spending some days doing the pretty sights at Jackson Park.

Geo. Harrington, who has been assistant night editor of The Mail for some time, has resigned; and W. Gault, formerly of the reportorial staff, has taken his place.

Tim Healy, the Mail's Ottawa correspondent, has been to the World's Fair. Harry Scott, commercial editor of The Globe, and Mrs. Scott, have also been doing the Fair.

A noted social event during the month was the marriage of Cameron Brown, night editor of The Globe, to Miss Margaret Ross, daughter of the Minister of Education. Mr. Brown has the earnest wishes of his journalistic friends for his future happiness.

Warwick Bros. & Rutter are doing a great trade in printers' supplies. All their departments are rushed at present, and October is the busiest October they have ever experienced. It is gratifying to run across a house who can report progress even when trade is not estimated to be at the expanding point.

The Canada Paper Co. have a newsample book of wedding stationery which they are mailing to all their customers who return their old sample book. The lines shown are very tasteful and many of them exclusive. This company report a good sale for their duplex cover papers which are found very suitable for covers, circulars, folders, etc.

The Times is the name of a new city paper published in the West End. Its Editor is A. G. Gowanlock, who is well known to many newspaper men in this country, and its business manager is Alf. W. Wood, who recently returned from British Columbia. These two men, being both possessed of ability and energy, should be successful in their venture.

The Copp, Clark Co. have a neat little sample book of hand-made ledger, linen, writing and tinted papers, which should be in the possession of every printer. Their special papers are Zephyr, Survey, Blackstone, Bristol Mills, Flax Fibre, Record, and they have already a fair reputation among the men who can tell to a nicety the difference between one paper and another.

The conservative old Telegram worried along for a long time without the daily cartoons which the News and the Star were putting out, but at last they made the change, and it now appears on the northeast corner of the front page. Cartoonists in Toronto ought to do well. Sam. Hunter and J. W. Bengough still lead in public favor and in the quality of their conceptions.

Mr. Chas. Johnson the inventor of the famous Johnson padding process has secured a patent on a new invention for a flat opening account book. The binding consists of webbing

and vellum, which is so sewn that the book is perfectly flat opening and almost indestructible. Mr. Johnson has been foreman of Warwick Bros. & Rutter's bindery for many years, and he has sold the patent to this firm at a good figure. He is now working on one or two other plans which he hopes will be productive of some valuable inventions in his specialty—binding.

Saturday Night seems to have the social news all to itself now, except for the opposition of the Sunday World, which is only strong enough to urge the Saturday Night reporters on to fuller efforts. Opposition is the life of journalism, just as of trade; but when the opposition becomes too great it causes death. There is very little danger of it becoming too great among the society papers of this city.

T. G. Wilson, trustee, is making good progress with the sale of James Murray & Co.'s valuable plant and machinery. Some of the leading firms in the printing business find it to their advantage to purchase. Mr. Rutter, the keen and practical buyer of Messrs. Warwick Bros. & Rutter, has made large purchases during this last month. The printers who are desirous of securing modern plant and machinery should not allow this favorable opportunity to pass without purchasing and making additions for their increased trade. The plant can be seen at any time at 28 Front street west, Toronto.

The Brown Bros. carry a full stock of printers' supplies and their latest offering to the trade is a handsome sample book containing specimens of the latest designs in wedding cabinets, programmes, regret, memorial and visiting cards. This is a valuable adjunct to a printing office, as it enables the proprietor to show a handsome range of new goods to every customer that calls upon him. They have a shipment of new fine and superfine printers' cardboards which they claim to be selling at prices which make the values twenty per cent. better than any they have ever been able to offer to the trade.

J. H. Charlesworth is doing some good theatrical work for The Empire. His non de plume is "Touchstone." Mr. Charlesworth was on the World over a year before he took his present position on the Empire. The Empire has at last introduced some specialties into its Saturday editions, but has not yet adopted the illustrated sheet, which is represented in Toronto in its two characters—what is supposed to be genuine and what is supposed to be fake. The Empire's historical articles are commendable, as Canadian history with all its romantic charms is too little appreciated by those Canadians who should appreciate it most.

It is said that there are 149 second-hand printing presses for sale in this city. These are many of them old and almost worthless, but many are nearly new and thrown out of use because the makers who sold them sold them to irresponsible parties, and a chattel mortgage brought them back to the seller or to some other creditor of the impecunious printing firm. Some presses are being sold, but at ridiculous prices. It is said that a press which two years ago cost \$2,700 was sold last week, in first-class condition, for \$1,400. Some very rotten business principles have obtained in this city among the printers and those who sell them supplies. Toronto is not the only city where such rottenness exists. The October American Book-maker says: "Announcement of the failure of a well-known printer doing business in New York will be found in our column of 'Trade Information.' It invites speculation as to the underlying reasons for such a result and a review of the circumstances