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The Printer's Miscellany.

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We desire to place on record our sincere and heartfelt thanks for the very kind and considerate welcome extended to our little paper—*The Printer's Miscellany*—by the press of the Dominion. The recollection of it will always tend to stir up the energy that is in us to do better, and to more fully fill our proper place in the ranks of journalism. We hope our readers will not forget that our labors, as here presented, are the fruits of leisure moments only, and that our time is pretty fully occupied with the duties of directing the mechanical department of the leading daily morning paper in the maritime provinces. We, therefore, feel emboldened to ask for the support of all printers and newspaper publishers in the Dominion at least. The former, by subscribing and sending reliable items of news in relation to printing and kindred arts, and the latter by putting the *Miscellany* on their exchange lists and giving us their countenance, will lighten our editorial duties materially and enable us to devote more attention to collecting and securing the scattered history of the press in the early days of the British North American Colonies. We are not given to boasting or making rash promises, but this much we will say: that if the *Miscellany* receives sufficient encouragement, it will be so improved and enlarged that it will be a suitable representative of the "art preservative of all arts."

Please put the *Miscellany* on exchange list.

The days of fast printing seem to have only begun, for scarcely a month elapses without a new press being brought out which surpasses its predecessors in regard to speed, simplicity and cost, and there is sharp competition, especially between England and America, in the manufacture of the class known as "web-printing" or "perfecting" presses. The *Scientific American* of the 22d ultimo, contains a description and a cut of one of the most remarkable presses of this class that we have yet seen. It is called the "Campbell Perfecting Printing and Folding Press," and is on exhibition at the Philadelphia Exposition in a building erected by the Campbell Printing Press Company at their own expense. The article in question is very bare of details as to the probable price of and the space occupied by the press, and, also, as to its working. Judging from the illustration, the press is quite simple in construction and would probably be easily handled by a pressman of ordinary ability and skill. As regards price, it looks as though it might be produced at a figure within the means of all well-to-do daily newspapers. There is, no doubt, great expense attendant on inventing, improving and manufacturing printing machinery, but we cannot see why printing presses should cost such fabulous sums as they do, and so much out of proportion to other kinds of machinery. The English manufacturer seems to have come nearer the mark in price than our neighbors, the Americans, for while an English press capable of working about 5,000 sheets an hour can be purchased for less than \$4,000, an American press of the same capacity can not be had for less than \$6,000 gold. And we do not believe the American manufacturer will claim that his production is worth the difference over the English maker. It will be noted from the description that Campbell has almost annihilated time in the production of newspapers, and we hope he has overcome some of the difficulties as regards price. This machine "uses duplicate forms, and is claimed by the inventor to print on both sides, from a continuous web of paper, fold, lay away in piles, and count 30,000 copies of an ordinary daily newspaper per hour: a figure which will be readily comprehended when reduced to 500 sheets per minute, or 8½ per second: and, as they are printed on both sides, it is equal to 16¾ impressions in each second of time.

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