

Wood and Flesh United.

Michael Power, an Irish compositor, limped into the Chambers Street Hospital, New York, a few weeks ago, complaining that the stump of his leg—the best part of which had been left in Erin—was causing him acute pain. He had fallen down, he said, and had broken his wooden leg and injured the stump. Dr. Moore took him in hand, and upon examination found that the fleshy part of the stump had united firmly with the wooden leg, which was of the oldest and most approved pattern. The doctor proceeded to amputate the wooden leg, and after an hour's work succeeded in disengaging the two. The cause of the trouble was the neglect of Michael to take off his wooden leg for a number of years. This induced a species of grafting and the flesh actually attached itself to the wood.

The attention of publishers is called to the announcement of the Auxiliary Publishing Company of Toronto, which will be found in another place. This plan offers inducements to publish a newspaper where the expense of setting the whole paper up at home would be more than the locality could bear. By using an "outside" procured at a small advance on the white paper the publisher is enabled to devote his whole energy to the remaining two pages, while his composition bill is very small to what it would otherwise be, to say nothing of his being able to give his readers nearly as much reading as the big city weeklies. We know of plenty places in this Province, as well as Nova Scotia, where such papers could be successfully carried on.

We would direct attention to the establishment of Messrs. F. Diver & Co., which, although before the public but a comparatively short period of time, is now taking a leading position in this branch of business. Exceptional advantages are possessed for designing and engraving on wood. A complete outfit of printers' supplies, including improved stereotyping apparatus, is kept in stock and supplied to the trade at reasonable terms. The craft and all who have occasion to order engraving or electrotyping can depend that their work will be looked after in the hands of Messrs. Diver & Co. with complete satisfaction.

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Largest Book Published.

The new edition of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, just issued, is believed to be, in the quantity of matter it contains, by far the largest volume published. It now contains about 18,000 words defined, and nearly 15,000 words and meanings not found in any other dictionary. The Biographical Dictionary, just added, supplies a want long felt by the reader and student, in giving the desired information so briefly. Never was any volume so complete as an aid in getting an education.

The Anglo-Israel Ensign is the name of a new semi-monthly publication, devoted to the "identification of the British nation with the lost ten tribes of Israel, and kindred subjects." The *Ensign* is published at Truro, N. S., by that veteran publisher, Mr. John Ross—so long favorably known as the projector of *Ross's Weekly*, and several other publications, of Prince Edward Island. It is edited by Rev. James Christie. The first two numbers are to hand and its manner of treating the subject up for discussion must commend it to the general reader. We wish it abundant success.

In calling attention to the advertisement of Messrs. Fleming & Son, we do not think we can do better than quote what a local paper, the *Toronto Advertiser*, says of them :

"The establishment of Messrs. Fleming & Son is not only far ahead of anything in the Dominion, but is equipped as complete as any on the continent in the way of improved machinery. In the course of a couple of months they will occupy a new building, which will be fitted up in a still more complete manner. Printers will always find in stock a full supply of their material generally."

Those of our readers who use tobacco—we believe a majority of them do—should always ask for Myrtle Navy, and see that what they get is stamped T. & B. If it has not this stamp, don't use it, but insist on having that which bears the stamp.

Toronto was promised two new one-cent evening papers—*The World* and *The Evening News*. The former came promptly to the fore, but some hitch in the arrangements for the latter has caused a delay in its appearance. *The World* is apparently prospering. Good luck to it.