

Correspondence.

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Editor Printer and Publisher:

DEAR SIR:—I have just read in the *PRINTER AND PUBLISHER* an abstract from the *St. Louis Stationer* relative to sharing in profits. Permit me to give your readers another sample.

The firm of Spottiswoode & Co., New Street Square, London, England, is probably as large an establishment as that of Theodore L. Devinne & Co., New York, for it employs over seven hundred hands, and it has for many years divided a share of the profits among its employees every year. After the profits have reached a certain figure, the balance is divided *pro rata* among the employees according to their earnings, but the money is not given to them; it is put in the Government savings bank, and the bank books are kept by the firm, the interest being added yearly by the Government officials. When, from death or any other cause, the owner of a book becomes unable to follow his employment, the book is handed over to him or his next of kin to dispose of the amount set down therein as he may think fit.

With regard to the nine-hour movement, the firm of Spottiswoode & Co. generously give to their employees receiving weekly wages four hours every Saturday, during the months of May to September, inclusive, and close at five p.m. on the other Saturdays of the year.

Yours truly,

J. T. LACY.

MONTREAL NOTES

MESSRS. BARCOCK & Co. have moved to new premises on Craig St.

MR. C. L. DAVIDSON, manager for Barber & Ellis, has returned from the seaside.

THE French job-houses report good business, but at cut prices. Who is to blame?

THE rumor that the Canada Paper Company was putting in new machinery is unfounded.

THE *Gazette* job-room is working full blast on theatre work. They do a large trade in that line.

MR. J. C. WILSON is out at his mill in Lachute. He generally takes a few flying visits every month.

NED. McBRIDE, the City Hall man for the *Gazette*, has just returned from his vacation. He was west to his home.

D. ENGLISH is now working on theatre tickets. He does most of this work, as he is popular with the managers.

MESSRS. EATON & Co., job printers, say business with them is good. They do a large job trade but it is all small work.

MR. ROBINSON, formerly city editor of the *Gazette*, has returned from a three months' trip to England. Robbie is looking fine, and is back with the old boys on the local staff.

THE George Bishop Lithographing Company printed the large poster for the Exhibition Company. The poster is a nice one and strictly in keeping with the work this firm turn out.

MESSRS. Desbarats & Company are now working the second edition of Bradley & Garrettson's "MEX OF CANADA." They also have in hand H. K. Martin's "CASTOROLOGIA," which will soon be out.

SINCE the new management have taken hold of the *Herald* they have been doing a nice job trade. Mr. Tom Larkin, the foreman, is always glad to see his old friends. He was with the old company for a long time and is well liked.

MR. ELLIS, of the Barber & Ellis Company, was in town this month. The Montreal branch of this firm are now doing a nice steady trade both in this and the lower province. Mr. Davidson, their manager, is a hustler, and is well known to the trade in both sections.

MR. C. McADAM, financial manager for J. C. Wilson & Co., has just returned from England, where he was with the Bisley team. It was a sad home-coming for Mr. McAdam, as his father was killed a week or so before his arrival. Mr. McAdam, sr., was one of our oldest book men, having been connected with that trade for years. He retired some time ago. When the accident happened he was out walking. His age was seventy-five years. By his death Montreal loses one of her oldest citizens. We offer his son our deepest sympathy in his bereavement.

A VALUABLE TRADE PAPER

HAVING a critical constituency to cater for, it is only natural that extreme care has been taken with the letter-press of that admirable journal, *THE PRINTER AND PUBLISHER*. It is a model of typography. The arrangement of the matter is good and the substance interesting. Every person engaged in the printing and publishing business should read this paper if he would keep himself informed of the occurrences particularly interesting to the trade. The September number, which is issued, contains a lengthy and interesting report of the recent convention of the United Typothetae. *Toronto Globe*.