

A PRINTER'S PARODY.

Attr—"The Ivy Green."

A type-founder's friend is the planer hand,
As he turneth new type into old;
For fine small type he hath no regard,
As the blows of the mallet are told.
The type will be battered, though not decayed,
To pleasure his levelling whim,
And the crumbling chips which blows have made
Are a pleasing sight to him.
Battering without slight regard,
A type founder's friend is the planer hand.

Fast he batters on, on all letters or clumps,
For a hard rough hand has he;
How hardly he presses, how rudely he thumps,
It ninks one shudder to see.
So he mallets and bangs away at the type
As the i dots and commas he breaks,
And strikes with a lot, as it for his life,
Not heeding the havoc he makes.
Battering without slight regard,
A type founder's friend is the planer hand.

Whole pages are bruised and their types decrease,
And founts are thus ruined—who knows?
But the brave hard planer will never cease:
From his fierce and heavy blows,
The worn-out tool in its cast-off days,
Shall merrily scan the pen;
For the hardest type that men can raise,
Is the planer's food at last.
Battering without slight regard,
A type-founder's friend is the planer hand.
—Press News, Sept., 1866.

A BRIEF EDITORIAL. — The shortest editorial ever remember to have seen in any journal, says the London correspondent of the *New York World*, was written by an eccentric old editor named Laing, in a paper called the *Mofussillite*, at one time well-known in India. The celebrated Gorham case—that endless ecclesiastical row—had been going on for months, filling all the newspapers and weighing down the mails. When the English journals were eagerly opened for news from home nothing appeared but column after column about the "Gorham case." It was upon this that Laing wrote the editorial I have mentioned, and I have often thought that it combined many of the greatest merits an editorial can possess—for it was short, could be understood by everybody, and it faithfully reflected public opinion. This was all, just as it stood, head-line and all:—

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BIRTHS.

In Tilsonburg, Ont., on the 10th ult., the wife of Mr. Harry Lee, printer, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

At the family residence, Hazen street, St. John, N. B., on 7th ult., the Rev. Dr. Watters officiating, William S. Fielding, of the Halifax *Morning Chronicle*, to Hester, daughter of Thomas A. Rankine.

At Cambridge, Mass., on the 19th of August, by the Rev. Charles Young, Mr. William Seymour, of St. John, N. B., to Miss Anna Grace White, of St. Johns, Nfld.

At the residence of the bride's father, on the 21st Aug., by the Rev. Mr. Kines, of Newburgh, Mr. W. W. Cliff, of the *Central Canadian*, Carleton Place, Ont., to Miss Agnes Eliza, daughter of Allen Fraser, Esq., of Ernestown.

DIED.

At Orillia, Ont., on the 16th ult., Mary Ingersoll, wife of D. J. Beaton, editor of the *Times*, aged 23 years and 9 months.

At Graham's road, on the 23rd ult., of consumption, in the 17th year of his age, John Beaman, formerly an apprentice in the *Herald* office, Charlottetown.

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