

at the explanation that he thought it would be the same price as any other newspaper, 3 or 4 cents, and that, like other papers, a large number of copies would be printed for general sale.

Here's Another One.

To the Editor of the Miscellany:

SIR,—I have noticed several suggestions in the *Miscellany* for improving lower cases. It may not be amiss to give my idea of a case, which not only saves time in composing, but material,

also. It was a question to me why so much type-metal should lay in a case that was never used, and I set about to do away with it. It seemed that the c, m, u, i, s, r, d, h, f, g, y, p, w and comma boxes, were too large—that they held more type than was necessary to set out the e, o, n, a and t boxes, and that the space box was too small to set out a full case. I went to work and experimented, and found that a case made in the following way held as many thousand ems as the ordinary one:

ff	ff	\$	'	k		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
j					5-em sp.	e	i	s	f	g	ff	8
?	b	c	d	4-em sp.								
f						h	o	En Qds.	y	p		
z	l	m	n									w
x					3-em spaces.	a	r		:	:		
q	v	u	t									

This case is four inches narrower than the old style. It can be distributed from the "boards" and all the boxes will fill up evenly—of course, with the exception of "outside" sorts. I have used it about two years and with three different kinds of type, and find that it fulfils the purpose for which it was made—the doing away with waste material. The d, i, s, r, f, g, y, p, w and comma boxes are one-third smaller than those in the old cases; the c, m and u boxes reduced one-half, and the h box about an inch. Any printer can learn it in half an hour.

Fraternally,

J. A. LABADIE.

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THE PRESS IN MEXICO.—A citizen of Ario, Michoacan, recently read aloud a newspaper article pitching into the Prefect, and that official made him eat in public the journal from which he had read. The Governor of Campeche has ordered the imprisonment of an editor for printing tickets containing the names of Congressional candidates not to his liking.

Renew your subscriptions to the *Miscellany*.

A compositor in an eastern printing house put away five cents every time his companions went out to take a drink of beer—denying himself that luxury and banking the sums indulgence would have cost him. At the end of three years he had saved \$500. But the temperance journal of high veracity which relates the incident forgets to add that on going to withdraw his savings to pay for a homestead on the in-torment plan, he found the bank shutters up, and learned from a placard of his own workmanship that the assets to the liabilities were as a shrimp to a Norway whale, and all obligations would be discharged in seven minutes. Then the provident youth borrowed the dollar of the fathers from his unthrifty companions and became a rising young drunkard.—*Sydney Telegraph*.

A Bible and a newspaper in every house, a good school in every district, all studied and appreciated as they merit, are the principal support of virtue, morality and civil liberty.

It is all the way up hill to success, but it wouldn't be so plaguesy hard climbing up if there were not so many coming down all the time.