

they may have the opportunity of meeting their friends while in the city, and discussing the new books. The store is now 112 feet in length, by about 20 feet in breadth, and they occupy the four flats, the first being devoted to a show room general; second, theological and miscellaneous juvenile, with parlour; third floor, stationery; and fourth, consignment and reserve stock.

Moses A. Dow, the founder and proprietor of the *Waverly Magazine*, died in Charlestown, Mass., June 22. He was born at Littleton, N. H., on May 25, 1810. He established the *Waverly Magazine* under the most discouraging circumstances, but he persevered, and lived to draw an annual income, it is said, of \$150,000.

The Presbyterian News Co., Toronto, have recently removed their offices from Toronto street, to 26 and 28 Front street West. This change is owing to the rapid growth of their business, and a desire to be near their printers, Jas. Murray & Co. Their chief publications are the *Presbyterian Review*, which now claims to have the largest circulation of any Presbyterian newspaper in the Dominion of Canada; "The Sabbath School Records and Registers of the Presbyterian Church," Dr. Middlemiss's *Misconceptions of Calvinism*, etc., etc. The Company now consists of over 200 leading ministers and laymen of the Church. W. Mortimer Clark, President, Geo. H. Robinson, Manager and Editor.

WE are in receipt of catalogue of J. S. Ogilvie & Co., the New York Publishers—a list of a variety of cheap, fast-selling books, useful, popular and humorous; besides a few standard works of good quality, at higher prices.

Steps have been taken by the paper makers of Western Massachusetts to form a mutual insurance company, with headquarters at Holyoke. It is believed that a hundred New England manufacturers can be induced to take out a \$10,000 policy apiece, so that the company can start out with policies aggregating a round million.—*Geyer's Stationer*.

It will not work. Paper mills, especially as instructed and equipped by us are extra hazardous risks, so much so that three leading companies represented in Canada will not take them at any price. When there are no good risks in a mutual to average up the losses, there is a poor look out for cheap insurance.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MONTREAL, July 15, 1886.

DEAR SIR,—The silver lining of the dark cloud through which Montreal has been forced to pass during the past year has begun to display itself, and the book and stationery business has shared in the general improvement of trade. Last year, when the small-pox began its ravages, the book trade were among the first sufferers, but for the six months ending with June, 1886, business compares very favourably with the corresponding part of 1885, and present

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