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SPEAKING of the recent case of Pelland vs. The Montreal Star, a United States paper thus sums it up: "What's in the captain but a choleric word is in the soldier's mouth rank blasphemy."

Col. A. K. McClure, editor of The Philadelphia Times, who was ordered by Judge Gordon in April to pay Ex-Mayor Smith the sum of \$45,000 damages for a libel, has appealed his case.

The United States is to have less competition in typesetting machines than Canada. The Mergenthaler Linotype Company

and the Rogers Typograph Company have been battling in the courts over patents for a number of years. Now the former has bought up its rival, and on July 15th paid Col. F. J. Hecker \$415,000 in Detroit. The Rogers Company stockholders will get about 10 cents on the dollar.

The Associated Press and the United Press are having a pitched battle as to which is giving the better service. According to The Fourth Estate the relative strength in numbers of each association is as follows:

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Dailies served in United States.	403
Sunday papers.	5
Papers in Canada.	14
Paper in Mexico.	1
Total	423

UNITED PRESS.

Dailies in United States.	305
Sunday papers.	25
Papers in Canada.	33
Papers in Cuba.	1
Total	364

In spite of the quarrel, the world jogs on making news for both.

Baseball seems to hold a strong place in the affections of Ontario printers this year. In Toronto, several of the larger firms' employes have baseball teams, and play good ball. The city newspaper staffs play matches occasionally. Outside the city, there seems to be the same tendency. "The Records," of Windsor, still make things lively in the western end of the peninsula.

The July Paper and Press had an excellent reproduction from a water-color painting, printed in three impressions by the Alfred M. Slocum Company, Philadelphia. The photo-chromotype inks were made by the Chas. Eneu Johnson Company. Experiments are now being made in Canada with this three-print color process, and some specimens of it may soon be issued. Its success as a cheap commercial process cannot be said, as yet, to be assured.

The new illustrating, of which Aubrey Beardsley is the leading exponent, is criticised in the same issue. The art which