

W. M. Small, a veteran printer, but for the last twenty years a clerk in the post office at Halifax, N. S., has been superannuated with the handsome retiring allowance of \$533.52 a year. Mr. Small was well known to a past generation of Halifax printers, and was employed in the *Nova Scotian* office many years.

In the Penobscuis, N. B., paper mills, a man named Joseph R. Nuttle, a machine-tender, recently met with quite a serious accident. Some of his fingers were caught between two rollers in the machine, and before he had time to extricate them, his right arm, to the elbow, was dragged in. The machine had to be stopped, and the rollers taken out in order to get his arm free.

A Mr. McGeachy, representing himself to be a correspondent of the *Danbury News*, was going to give a funny lecture in Ingersoll, Ont.,—and didn't. Of course he gave a lecture, but it was devoid of wit, humor, common sense, or anything else that might be expected. The *Ingersoll Tribune* calls him a swindler, a barefaced upstart, a palpable fraud, and a dozen other gentle names. Pass him around.

The government printing for this session of the Prince Edward Island Legislature has been disposed of as follows:—Mr. J. W. Mitchell has been awarded the contract for printing the journals of the House of Assembly, and the debates of the Legislative Council. The journals of the Legislative Council are being printed by Mr. H. J. Cooper, and the House of Assembly debates by Mr. Lawson, of the *Patriot*.

The following is the *personnel* of the Halifax, N. S., *Herald* staff:—Mr. John Cahill, business manager and cashier; Mr. J. Griffin, editor, now absent in Ottawa in the interest of the paper; Robert T. Murray, city editor; Thomas Brophy, foreman of composing room; Robert Russell, assistant foreman; D. McLean, Samuel Keith, William Mason, M. J. Keating, Adam Reeves, and Albert Cahill, regulars; John Gallivan, James Fultz, Alex. Hodgson, and John Parker, subs.; John Stewart and John Brophy, apprentices; ——— McDonald, pressman.

The Halifax, N. S., *Chronicle* office, of which Mr. Amand is proprietor, employs the following staff:—Mr. John Dunn, business manager and cashier; Mr. Simmonds, editor; W. S. Fielding, sub-editor; Percy Hamilton, local reporter; Thos. Franklin, foreman of composing room; Alex. West, assistant foreman; James Packham, James Wancott, William Connors, John O'Brien, and Joseph Marr, regulars; James E. Franklin, George Dow, weekly hand, and three apprentices; Matthew Condon, pressman; John McDonald, assistant pressman.

Charles H. H. Nichols, M. D., commenced an engagement as editor of the *Prescott Weekly Telegraph* on the 1st ult., owing to Mr. Isaac Watson, the proprietor, being called away to Quebec for several weeks, to receive, verbatim, the land case there. Dr. Nichols is one of Isaac Pitman's short-hand writers, and some few years ago was surgeon on board several of her majesty's vessels of war. He has served successfully on the *Toronto Globe*, also the *Ottawa Citizen* and the late *Times*. He was correspondent to the London, Eng., *Telegraph* during the West Indian insurrection, and wields his pen with great power as an editor, having had a long and varied experience.

Mr. McKenzie, late publisher of the Brockville, Ont., *Evening Enterprise*, commenced an engagement as foreman on the *Prescott Weekly Telegraph*, with Mr. Watson, the present proprietor, on the 5th ult. He is also to write the locals. Mr. McKenzie was partner in the *Enterprise* with Mr. McMullen, son of the proprietor of the Brockville *Monitor*. Mr. McK. served his time with Mr. A. H. Merrill, job printer, Brockville, and is a first-class workman.

The employes of Messrs. Hunter, Rose & Co., of Toronto, government printers and publishers, held their annual ball in the Albert hall, on the 7th ult. The *Mail* says that about one hundred couples engaged in dancing, and about midnight sat down to a magnificent supper. The prosperity of the firm was proposed by Mr. Whinton, the chairman; and Mr. Rose, on behalf of the firm, in a neat and humorous speech, replied, expressing the pleasure it afforded him to be present amongst them on such occasions. The "invited guests" were heartily welcomed, and on their behalf, Mr. Thompson acknowledged the honor done them.

ON THE TRAMP.—Spring has come and Sampson has gone. We commend the strong man to the tender mercies of the Lindsay, Port Hope and Cobourg pressmen. —*Orillia Packet*. He came, he went, and a down-town boarding house keeper regrets his impecuniosity over an empty carpet satchel. 'Twas ever thus with him.—*Lindsay Post*. He lit here on Wednesday morning last, hungry, cold and dry; had a good wash, threw in a couple of columns of type, got his thirty cents and moved east. Poor Georgie! —*Port Hope Times*. He is here, meek as a canine from whose caudal appendage a tin can has just been unloosed. Having read his obituary in a western exchange last summer, his appearance in the flesh created astonishment if not consternation; but when he informed us that he had serenely died and been buried twice, frozen to death three times, drowned twice, killed in the American war in five different battles, run over by the cars and cut to pieces twice, and almost starved to death times innumerable, we no longer wondered at the serene smile which adorned his Sampsonian countenance. One of Vennor's overdue storms came yesterday and caused him to linger, but he is about to follow Greeley's advice and "go west." Nick gave him his case for a week and it has been steadily filled.—*Canadian Statesman*.

UNITED STATES.

The Boston *Herald* is going to put up a hundred thousand dollar building.

The *American* is the name of a new illustrated weekly paper, published in New York city.

The *Florida Star* is the name of a new sixteen-page monthly paper, published in New Smyrna, Florida.

A journal in the Finnish language, edited by Dr. Muikku, has been started in Wisconsin for the use of the Finnish colonists.

Peter Bayne, the biographer of Hugh Miller, is to be the consulting editor under the new regime of the *Contemporary Review*.

In Buffalo, N. Y., a strike occurred in the *Courier* office, about twenty compositors leaving. The trouble arose from the manager of the *Courier* refusing to accede to the demands made by the Union in regard to scale of prices.