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THE PROPRIETORS of the *Weekly Mail* have now commenced the 19th year of its publication. When the publication of the *Weekly Mail* was commenced, the press was the only means of communication to the people of this country, and the *Weekly Mail* was established as a paper of news and opinion, and has always been conducted with that object in view. Since the establishment of the *Weekly Mail* the telegraph has been established, and has become the principal means of communication of news, and the *Weekly Mail* has had to change its character to that of a political and family paper, containing the news of the week, and the opinions of the Editor upon the political questions of the day. The *Weekly Mail* has always been conducted with the object of giving the fullest information to its readers, and of discussing the questions of the day in the manner which it considered most likely to lead to the formation of correct opinions upon them