

We don't like it; but then Mac. is a Toronto man.

Josh. T. Johnston, of the *Brant Union*, Brantford (city) is about purchasing from S. P. Rounds, Chicago, a first-class, four-roller, Taylor press for book-work. Josh. deserves well. Only twenty-five years old he has won his way to success by pure hard work and no money backers.

Mr. Trimble, of the *Brantford Expositor*, is in poor health. He is a gentleman much respected by his confederates of the press in Western Ontario.

Mr. Luke, of the *Oshawa Vindicator*, is a vegetarian, but thinks every person else has a right to eat meat if he so desires.

Mr. Jack Stanton, of the *Whitby Chronicle*, is admired by his fellow-craftsmen in this portion of Canada, and they all wish him future joy. Her name was Miss Henrietta Lash.

The gentlemen who lately bought out the *Gazette*, in Whitby, have quit business as newspaper men. One, Mr. Thornton, has returned to Toronto, and his partner has started a shoe factory in Brooklyn.

Business in Toronto is average for the season of the year.

Mr. Pat. Boyle, of the *Irish Canadian*, has been a temperance man three years, and says it pays.

Ben Sutherland, of the *Mail*, has returned from the South.

W. R. Climie, of Bowmanville, is inspector of licenses, issuer of marriage certificates, agent for innumerable insurance companies, runs a farm where he can raise corn that only costs \$3.33½ per bushel, is a genial, good fellow, secretary of the Ontario Press Association, editor of the *Statesman*, and occupies the rest of his spare moments in—well, I give it up.

J. G. Buchanan, Vice-President Press Association, it is rumored, will take a bride with him on the excursion this year. JAC.

Letter from Darwin R. Suresoter, President, International Typographical Union.

St. Louis, Mo., June 17, 1877.

To the Editor of the *Miscellany*:

SIR,—During the recent session of the International Typographical Union at Louisville, to which I was a delegate from this city, I was presented, by Mr. Hovey, representing Norwich, Ct., with two or three copies of your neat little monthly.

Believing it will fill a position heretofore vacant (that of a journal devoted exclusively to journeymen printers and to apprentices), I wish you the best of success in your undertaking. But there is one article (or portion of an article) in the May number to which I must take a decided exception: I refer to your Philadelphia correspondent's strictures concerning the body over which I have the honor to preside.

The writer referred to says in substance (with a style which leads to the belief that a low comedian of the highest order has been lost to the stage) at the election for delegate in Philadelphia there were seventeen candidates, all prompted by the desire to get something for nothing; that fourteen were defeated, and could not go to the Convention, "where little or nothing is ever done;" and that three were filled "with profound gratitude when they learned that they could have a week's pleasure without even a penny's expense to themselves." He (the writer) also remarks, parenthetically, that he "never had the glory thrust upon him." This latter statement I can easily believe, and will also add that, in my opinion, he would be a very poor subject for the "glory" to be thrust upon.

Seriously, Mr. Editor, I believe your correspondent gave no heed to what he was writing, or he would not have been guilty of such gross misstatements regarding our honored International Union; and, as I am confident you can not indorse anything harmful to the interests of the printers of North America, I desire to call your attention to the following facts:

The National Union was established in 1852, and held a session every year until 1869, when its name was changed to International Union, including the typographical societies of the United States and British Provinces. In all that time a session has been held yearly, and I sincerely believe that no other bodies of men have ever met together with a more honest desire to legislate wisely than have the delegates to those sessions. I arrive at this conclusion from looking over a copy of the Proceedings since 1852. From personal observation at Louisville, I knew that every man went to the Convention with the firm intention to let business take precedence of anything else, and to do the best that could be done to promote the welfare of the subordinate Unions.

When the national organization was formed there were but a few local Unions under its