

Mr. Samuel T. Willet, a manufacturer at Chambly, Que., has entered a suit for \$20,000 damages for libel against the proprietor of *La Minerve*, Montreal.

A. J. Donly has retired from the management of the Norfolk (Ont.) *Reformer*. The paper is now in the possession of Messrs. H. B. Donly and Henry Johnson.

As an item of encouragement to postage stamp collectors, it is stated that there has been hitherto issued all over the world about 6000 different kinds of stamps.

Spain has 235 paper mills, and the annual value of their production is 13,782,000 pesetas. One hundred and eighty-four of the mills employ the hand-made process.

Hungary now publishes 558 newspapers, of which 356 are printed in Magyar, 120 in German, 56 in Slav, 20 in Roumanian, 3 in Italian, 2 in French and 1 in Hebrew.

An English firm has commenced the manufacture of paper blankets. They are made as soft, and are warmer and altogether lighter and cheaper than their woolen predecessors.

A printer who uses quads and leads on his platen press when McGill's Gauge Pins and Feed Guides are so convenient and cheap, is ten years behind his time. The address will be found in the Directory on page 192.

Prince Bismarck, it is said, refuses to read German printed in Roman letters, and returns unread books or pamphlets sent to him which follow the new fashion in type which is steadily gaining ground in Germany.

Stonemetz, the inventor of the Stonemetz folding machine, is about to patent a new printing press, which he is building at Erie, Pennsylvania. It is intended to print both sides at once, from type as well as stereotype.

The American News Company, which has long monopolized the book trade in the United States, is to have a powerful rival in the new United States News Company, of which Robert Bonner is understood to be at the bottom.

John Lindsay, the last of the type-founding Lindsay family, died at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., on the 8th of June, from hemorrhage of the lungs, aged fifty-one years. His father was a type-founder, with whom he commenced to learn his trade at Glasgow, when twelve years of age.

The Revised New Testament may be called the literary success of the season. Over 300,000 copies of the Oxford Edition were sold in New York on the day of publication, and in England over 2,000,000 were disposed of within a week.

A printer named A. Darch having been discharged from the Windsor (Ont.) *Review* office, tampered with a large press in such a manner that, had his act not been discovered, the machine would have been destroyed the instant it was set in motion.—*Toronto paper*.

The Chicago *Times* gives an itemized account of its expense for one week, whose total is \$11,928; one-third of this is for white paper, one-sixth for type-setting, a sixth for telegraph tolls, and a sixth, in nearly equal shares, for editors, reporters and correspondents.

The issue of the "Newspaper and Bank Directory of the World" has been unavoidably delayed owing to many additions to the lists of newspapers from foreign countries and the delay in revising, translating and printing the voluminous data received. It is promised at the earliest possible day.

Letters have been received from Toronto by a gentleman in Sussex intimating that the Toronto Paper Company, having a capital of \$250,000, would erect a paper mill in or about Sussex should the people hold out such inducements as exemption from taxation, etc. A meeting was held and favorable action taken in the matter.

In 1870 a co-operative printing office, called "*L'Imprimerie nouvelle de la Jeuneurs*," was established in Paris. The net profits of the office the first eight years amounted to \$43,200, and at the last annual meeting of the shareholders it was announced by the managers that the whole of the share capital, some \$10,000, would soon be refunded.

It has become quite a custom in London, Eng., on the successive anniversaries of a person's death, for friends to send a notice, like the following, for insertion in the obituary column of the *Times*: "In loving memory of Harriette Famin, died 7th July, 1872." This notice appeared on the 7th of July, 1881—nine years after the death of the subject of it.

On July 15, the Philadelphia book and job printers received an advance of five cents per thousand ems in the scale of prices for book-