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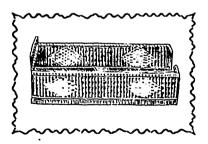


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In a "limited edition" book, recently issued, titled "Sketches of Printers and Printing in Colonial New York," the author says that there was a "New York Evening Post" in 1744. One paper of this early period was called the "Lying Gasette," and another was considered so untruthful that it was said of it "the line on the top giving the name of the printer and the price of the paper were the only words of truth in it. The Nation remarks that as the Gazette claimed a circulation in that primitive time of 3,600 copies, the "circulation lie" may be "of older origin than is commonly supposed."

It is said that the proofs of half-tone printing blocks, which in the majority of cases accompany the latter, and are sent in by the engraver as showing the possibilities of his work upon the press, are sometimes anything but examples of the actual printing qualities of the block. A British paper prints a note from somebody in which certain etchers (names not given) are said to be guilty of the charge. may be said here that practical men should examine the block itself, and then determine the printing quality. Generally speaking, whatever can be done by the engraver upon the hand-press can be better done upon the power-press with its superior distribution.