

J. E. B. McCready, of King's County, N. B., special correspondent, at Ottawa, of the *Daily Telegraph*, of this city, has secured the position of resident correspondent, at Ottawa, of the *Toronto Globe*.

Nicholas A. Woods, a well-known journalist, who will be remembered by some, perhaps, as having accompanied the Prince of Wales on his tour through Canada, died recently in London, Eng., from apoplexy.

Dujardin, Gillott and Lefman, the three principal photo-engravers of Paris, have introduced the electric light into their establishments. The only one of the three who is perfectly satisfied with the light is Dujardin.

The largest single sale of glue ever made in the Montreal market was made recently by Messrs. Emil Poliwka & Co., of St. Sacrament street, who sold to one man twenty-five tons for something over \$5,000 cash.

The most beautiful place upon the Isle of Wight is said not to be the Queen's, but Norris Castle, recently purchased by the Duke of Bedford. Mr. Norris, who is lately dead, was the proprietor of the *London Weekly Dispatch*.

The oldest newspaper in the Southern States is said to be the *Augusta, Ga., Chronicle and Constitutionalist*, the *Chronicle* dating back to August, 1785, and the *Constitutionalist* to 1799. The two papers were amalgamated in 1877.

A valuable deposit of silver, lead and copper has been discovered in a mountain on the north side of Cape Breton. There is also a belt of pure china clay, six feet wide, running through the property. This is the only belt yet discovered in the provinces, and should prove of great value.

The Association of International ex-Delegates of Typographical Unions, of Chicago, on the 17th of January, gave a banquet and ball in honor of the 175th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin, the typos' patron saint. It is reported to have been one of the most brilliant affairs of the season.

The death is announced of Edward J. O'Reilly, a well-known journalist of New York City. He was born in Dublin, Ireland, and in 1848 he came to New York and obtained a situation as compositor in the office of the *Express*. In 1849 he became a reporter for that paper, and retained the position until his death.

The death is announced of Geo. H. Sanborn at Chicago, on the 26th January, at 51 years of age. Mr. Sanborn was a prominent inventor and manufacturer of machinery used in book-binding. Among his best-known inventions are the backing machine, the book-binders' cutting machine and the embossing and inking machine.

A letter from Rome to the *Frankfurter Zeitung* states that Bishop Eligius Cusi, of the Franciscan Order, and "Apostolic Vicar" in the district of Canton, has compiled a new Chinese alphabet, consisting of 33 letters, by means of which all the words which are now expressed by many thousands of symbols can be written.

There are published in the world thirty thousand newspapers. This includes periodicals of all sorts. Half of this number are printed in the English language. Two curious facts about newspapers are that Milan, Italy, publishes as many newspapers as Boston, and Zurich, in Switzerland, with a population of only 23,000, has sixteen newspapers, each with a circulation of 70,000, and four of these journals are daily papers with a circulation of 25,000 each, making more than one paper a day to every human being in the city.

A Charlottetown despatch states that the case of criminal libel of W. D. Stewart, late Commissioner of Public Works, vs. Rev. S. G. Lawson, editor of the *Presbyterian*, was concluded on the 17th January. It occupied three days. The defence submitted no evidence. Judge Peters charged strongly in favor of the prosecution, and the jury, after being out twenty-six hours, returned a verdict of guilty. The traverser, who is a minister of the Presbyterian Church, has been cited to appear before the Presbytery of Prince Edward Island, which meets on the first Tuesday in May, to answer for libel.

Capt. Thomas Wastie, of London, Ont., has recently secured several acres of land adjoining the London waterworks. A company is being formed with a capital of from \$50,000 to \$75,000. It is intended to manufacture printing papers, as there are about twenty-five tons consumed weekly in London and a radius of fifty miles round. The water rises from numerous springs, and is well adapted for paper-making, as well as for the power. The work of erection will commence early in the spring and paper is expected to be made in the fall.—*Ex.*