

## NEWS OF THE CRAFT.

## LOCAL.

Wm. Lawson, who until recently had been working in the book and job office of H. Chubb & Co., in this city, is now in Fredericton, N. B.

Jas. Stanley, of Prince Edward Island, passed through this city a short time ago on his way, it was said, to California; but we learn he has returned and is now in town.

Mr. George W. Day has had the boiler in his printing office taken out and a new one put in its place. The new one was furnished by the Waterous Engine Works of Brantford, Ont.

The *Herald*, published by Kane & Co., has put on a new dress and been enlarged to eight pages. We are much pleased to see such evidences of prosperity, and hope for its continued success.

James Porter, who had been working in McMillan's job office during the past six or seven years, but who left that employ recently owing to a scarcity of work, is now working in Sackville, N. B., on the *Chignecto Post*.

Messrs. Barnes & Co's book and job office, in this city, gives employment to the following: John P. Bell, foreman; Benj. F. Appleby, Frank Baras, William A. Barnes, and Edward John Armstrong, compositors; John Knollin, pressman; Barton Barnes and George Carr, apprentices. The *Religious Intelligencer* is printed at this office.

List of hands working in Mr. George W. Day's office, this city: James Seaton, foreman; D. Leary, John S. Gunn, William Newth, and Harry Newman, compositors; Henry Sands, Henry Stains, and John O'Regan, apprentices. Two weeklies—the *Christian Visitor* and *New Dominion* and *True Humorist*—are printed in this office, which also does a considerable amount of book and general job printing.

There is not much change to note in business in this city for the past month. Work seems to have increased slightly in some offices, while some few others have been kept comparatively busy. Taking it all round, there has been an increase in the number of orders, although not enough to fully employ all the idle hands in the city.

The outlook for the present month is somewhat brighter and more assuring than it has been for some time. The depression seems to prevail in business circles that we have touched bottom, and, it must be admitted, we incline to that belief ourselves. Of course, it must not be expected that business is going to bounce up and everybody get rich right away. We hope it will not come up so suddenly. It is better that it should recover slowly, for in that case it will be more likely to be lasting. There are not many idle printers in the city, but the "sub" list in daily offices is full to overflowing.

James M. Smith, recently of Halifax, N. S., where he worked on the *Chronicle*, is in this city, and is engaged working on the *Daily Telegraph*. Mr. Smith may be considered one of our "old printers," having gone to the trade in 1838. He served his apprenticeship on the *Spirit of the Times*, Sydney, Cape Breton, now extinct. Mr. Huntington, present proprietor of the Yarmouth, N. S., *Tribune*, was then proprietor of the *Times*. Mr. Smith has travelled largely and had a varied experience in the United States. He was foreman of the Boston *Daily Courier* for ten years, which paper suspended

when the late war in the United States broke out. He then took charge of the composing room of the Boston *Daily News*, and was foreman when that paper removed its office from Cornhill to Province Court. He has visited and worked in nearly every State of the Union, excepting those far south. Not a few printers in the Western States will, no doubt, recollect him, especially those in Wisconsin, Ohio, Illinois, Kentucky, and Michigan. New York City, Buffalo, Rochester, Utica, Syracuse, Troy, Albany, in New York State, has known him, as also Providence, R. I., and Worcester, Mass. He seems in good health and spirits at the present time, and is not afraid of the night work on a daily paper, although, no doubt, he sometimes must ask himself if "there is no rest for the weary."

## DOMINION.

Thomas Reid, a printer, has purchased the *Eggarville*, Ont., *Freeman*.

It is said that Toronto is to have another one-cent daily evening paper.

Messrs. Thorne & Smith are the new proprietors of the Whitley, Ont., *Gazette*.

We are sorry to learn that the *British Standard*, Bolton, Ont., has been discontinued.

The Quebec *Courrier du Canada*, now issued tri-weekly, is soon to appear as a daily.

The Dundas weekly *Standard* is now published by H. T. Magill, formerly Magill & Co.

The Guelph, Ont., *Herald* is going to erect a new block, to be called the "*Herald Block*."

The *Canadian Monthly* and *National Review* will hereafter be published by Hart & Rawlinson, of Toronto.

The *True Witness*, of Montreal, is to be turned into a daily shortly. Capt. Kirwin, it is said, will be the manager.

That bright little one-cent evening paper, the Quebec *Daily Telegraph*, is to appear as a morning paper some time in April.

The Newburgh Paper Mill turns out one ton of paper per day. Mr. Grange manufactures No. 3 print and colored paper.

The Montreal *Witness* has been condemned to pay one hundred dollars damages and costs of action in the Laport-Witness libel suit.

Thos. Lawless, publisher of the *Herald*, Hamilton, Ont., prints twelve "patent sides" weekly newspapers in addition to his own paper.

The *Compass* is the name of the new Catholic weekly published in Quebec. It is edited by Mr. James J. Gahan. Its circulation is about eight hundred.

Thos. Bourke is employed as pressman of the Georgetown, P. E. I., *Advertiser*, and George Tanton, who worked on the *Tisler* for a time, has gone back to Charlottetown.

Sunday labor on morning newspapers has attracted the attention of some strict Sabbatharians in Toronto, and, it is said, that steps will shortly be taken to enforce the law in this particular.

M. L. Aldrich, who occupied the editorial chair of the *Northern Light*, Sault Ste. Marie, Algoma, P. Q., for about eighteen months, is at present engaged on the Watford, Ont., *Guide*.