

## NEWS OF THE CRAFT.

## LOCAL.

The *Presbyterian Advocate* has been suspended for the present.

The *Weekly Telegraph* has changed its form from four to eight pages. Other improvements are promised in a short time.

William Lawson, of Fredericton, who worked for some time in Boston, Mass., in the establishment of J. R. Osgood, is working in H. Chubb & Co's book and job printing office, in this city.

PRESENTATION.—George Anderson, the junior apprentice of the *Daily Telegraph* office, was presented with a fur cap and pair of fur gloves as a Christmas box by the journeymen of that office, in recognition of his many good qualities.

The *St. John Weekly Herald* is the title of a new weekly paper which has just made its appearance in this city from the office of Messrs. Kane & Co. From its appearance we judge it will be a success, at least let us hope so. Mr. T. Kane, of the above firm, being a practical printer and having had a pretty extensive experience on newspapers, will, no doubt, bring his practical knowledge to bear in such a manner as will ensure for the *Herald* a fair share of the public patronage. We commend the new comer to the fraternity.

By a reference to the department most eagerly scanned by the fair sex, it will be seen that the craft and the fourth estate promptly recognize their duty these hard times, and are not "backward in coming forward." In the list is one of our old fellow-apprentices—Dawson Hayward—now foreman of the *Amherst Gazette*. Dawson, no doubt, will recollect the advent of the writer into the *Observer* office, of this city, for he was our senior by some months. We are glad that he has joined the ranks of the benedicts, for we believe "it is not good for man to be alone." We throw after him the traditional slipper.

James Cassidy, who was noticed in the October number of the *Miscellany* as holding an extra stand on the Portland, Me., *Argus*, has returned to this city, and is now, we believe, open for a "sit." We can, from personal knowledge, recommend him to those in want of a compositor. He was engaged, for the most part, while in the *Telegraph* office, in setting the advertisements for that paper, and we feel it our duty to say that he was the best, the most careful, punctual, steady and quietest compositor ever on that department. Since his departure from the *Telegraph* office, no doubt, he has had considerable experience which would more fully fit him for holding a responsible situation.

The *Christian Visitor*, formerly printed by Barnes & Co., will in future be issued from the office of Mr. Geo. W. Day, and has been changed from a four to an eight page paper. The *Visitor* was started in 1841 by Mr. G. W. Day and W. S. Bailey. In 1848 Mr. Day sold it, but continued to print it for some years afterwards. Some time after it came into the hands of the Rev. I. E. Bill, it was removed to Messrs. Barnes & Co.'s establishment, where it has continued up to the present and latest change. Mr. Day has had a large and varied experience with newspapers, in fact more than any other person we can call to mind, and no doubt his old offspring—we almost said prodigal son—will receive and reflect a large measure of his practical skill.

STATE OF TRADE.—Business has been very good the past month—some of the offices having to work overtime. The indications for January are not at all flattering, for there would seem to be a falling off of order, which, as the holiday work—the cause of the late briskness—is about finished, will probably make things dull for the month, and possibly for the winter. The assembling of parliament and the local legislature early in February may exert a beneficial influence on printing, particularly on newspaper work, but outside of that the prospects are dull enough. The suspension of the *Presbyterian Advocate* and the removal of the *Christian Visitor* from Messrs. Barnes & Co.'s to Mr. George W. Day's office, will, perhaps, be nearly balanced by the starting of the *Weekly Herald* by Messrs. Kane & Co. Some of those who have been previously working steadily will now, no doubt, have to change places with those who have been idle for some time past.

## PROVINCIAL PRINTERS ABROAD.

Henry Bond, who served his apprenticeship in the *Observer* office in this city, is on the *Cultivator*, Boston, Mass.

John Williams, of Yarmouth, N. S., is working at present in Snow Bros. book and job office, Worcester, Mass.

Michael Kelly, who worked in the *Royal Gazette* office, Fredericton, N. B., for about two years, is working at San Francisco, California.

William J. Lorimer, who worked on the *Daily Telegraph* of this city about five years ago, is working at Tilton, New Hampshire.

Patrick Whalen, of Charlottetown, P. E. I., who "subbed" on the *New York Herald* three years, has a "frame" on the *Boston Post*.

George H. Owens, a native of St. Andrews, N. B., has been working in Thurston's book and job office, Portland, Me., for the past three years.

William Andrews, of Halifax, N. S., who "subbed" on the *Daily Telegraph* of this city for a few months in 1875, is now "a regular" on the *Boston Journal*.

Frank Hammond, who served his apprenticeship in W. Day's office in this city, when last heard from was working on the *Hotel Register*, Boston, Mass.

Patrick Kelley, of Summerside, P. E. I., who worked in the *Daily News* office of this city a few years ago, is now working on the *Advocate*, Arlington, Mass.

William Mountain, who served his apprenticeship at St. John's, Newfoundland, is "holding cases" on the *New York Herald*, where he has been for the past seven years.

Jim Atkins, better known as "Skid" (who worked in Toronto, Ont., for some years), is now holding the "custom house" department on the *New York American Grocer*.

Adam Montgomery, who graduated at St. Catharines, Ont., and who "held cases" on the *Springfield, Mass. Union*, and afterward had a "frame" on the *Worcester Press* for about eight months, is now working in Harper, New York.

Charles Hanlon, who "tumbled" to the "knack" of "slinging the leaden emblems" in St. Stephens, N. E., and who "held a frame" on the *Daily Telegraph* of this city for some months in 1869, has, we learn, "rested" on the *Boston Post*.