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DOMINION TYPE-FOUNDING CO., (LIMITED.)

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THE TORONTO BRANCH

Is at No. 54 Colborne Street, and is in charge of
Mr. Robert Hall and Mr. W. H. Lovell.

NEW MANAGER.

Mr. F. W. A. Osborne is now the General Manager of the Dominion Type-Founding Co., in place of Mr. John Whyte; resigned. Mr. Whyte continues on the Board as a Director.

BETTER TIMES.

THE past year has been one of exceeding dullness in all branches of trade the world over, but it does seem that the long look-out for advent of better times is near at hand. Among all the business interests of the country there is not probably one more quickly affected by, or more sensitive to "hard times," or a general depression in the general market, than the printing interests. Outside of the city dailies (and even they are sufferers), the country press are among the very first to feel the effects of a derangement of business matters, and about the last to recover; for newspapers, books and printing are, in one sense, "luxuries" that may be dispensed with, or their use curtailed, while men have to eat, drink, and be clothed; and when cutting down expenses to correspond with a waning exchequer, the printer is about the first one to feel the pressure, and the last one to get his pay. The state of the printing interests of the country is, therefore, a pretty sure indication of that of the land at large, so if we judge by the improvement in our own business during the past few months, we are led to the conclusion, that the printers of the country are feeling better. We hope so, not only for their sakes, but for our own.

Notwithstanding the "hard times," we have

kept our employees steadily at work; and have manufactured a large stock of our several lines of news and job type, so as to be ready for any emergency. We are pleased at the patronage which we have so far received, and at the large number of new customers we are daily adding to our books—among these being the *GLOBE PRINTING AND PUBLISHING Co.*, of Toronto. We have manufactured a complete new outfit for the *Globe*, and the craft must admit that its appearance is superior to that of any former year. All we ask of the printers of Canada is to give our Foundry a trial. Our facilities are such that we guarantee perfect satisfaction.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING AT OTTAWA.

VERY few people are aware of the extent and the importance of the Government Printing at Ottawa. The amount paid for the service, and the sums disbursed for wages, salaries, and various expenses, are circumstances that place the Government printing in rank as a first class industrial enterprise. The work is covered by two contracts, one with the Government for the printing of the several Governmental Departments; the other, with Parliament for the printing incidental to legislation. The latter comprises the "Blue books" or Departmental Reports, the Bills, the Votes and Proceedings, the Orders of the Day, the Minutes and Proceedings of the Senate, the Journals of both Houses, the Returns ordered to be printed, the Sessional Papers, &c., &c. The cost of these printing services, that is of the Parliamentary and Departmental respectively, is about equal, and amounts in the aggregate to close upon eighty thousand dollars per annum. This work is now being performed, under a contract term of five years, by the firm of Messrs. MacLean, Roger & Co. In the course of a recent visit to Ottawa, we had the pleasure of being shown through the printing establishment of this firm, which occupies five floors of a rather ungainly looking but large and well-adapted building on Wellington Street, directly opposite the Government buildings. The quantity of type and machinery required for this work is also a matter of which few people are aware. In round numbers, there are about fifty thousand pounds of type in use, and some fifteen presses, comprising the latest American and English patterns. Nearly the whole of this extensive plant was purchased from the *DOMINION TYPE-FOUNDING COMPANY*, who have permission to refer to Messrs. MacLean, Roger & Co., with regard to capacity for executing large orders on short time, and as to the quality of the material they supply.

DURING last month we shipped Messrs. Kenny & Luxton, Winnipeg, Manitoba, a new Half-Medium Gordon Press. This firm has a very complete book, newspaper and job printing office.

OUR SPECIMEN BOOK.

IT is our wish and desire that every regularly established printing office should have a copy of our book, and to all such we shall be pleased to send one, on application. Tell us how to send it,—whether by mail or express, or with some order to go by freight. If by mail, 20 cents in currency or stamps must be sent with the application. A record is kept of every copy sent out, and we know just which offices we have supplied. Therefore, those parties who have been writing to us for a book the second and third time, after being once supplied, may understand why we don't accede to every demand. These books are expensive to us, and the edition limited to barely enough to go around. It will be a pleasure to fill any request that is legitimate, and we invite all who read this, and who have use for our Specimen Book and Price List, to write at once and obtain them.

NEW-PRICE LIST.

OWING to the reduction in prices of Presses and printing material, we have found it necessary to revise our price list. The copy is now in the hands of the printer, and we expect to be able to mail copies in a few days to our customers.

THE "RELIANCE WHARFEDALE."

WE recently erected one of these celebrated Presses (Double Royal size) in the office of Willis & Mott, St. John, N.B.

THE "FAIRHAVEN."

WE notice that this Press has been awarded a First Prize by the Centennial Commissioners "for strength and durability, simplicity of construction, ease of adjusting rollers and ink fountain, adaptability for newspaper and job work, and general excellence."

JOHNSON'S INKS.

WE are in receipt of a fresh consignment of Chas. Eneut Johnson & Co.'s renowned Inks.

NEWS INKS.

WE have a large supply of W. D. Wilson's excellent News Inks in stock, in 25, 50 and 100 lb. kegs. Price 12c. to 18c.

THE type and presses of *Le Franco-Canadien* (Mr. Isaac Bourguignon, proprietor,) St. Johns, P. Q., were badly damaged by fire on the morning of the 1st instant, and the entire plant of the *Arnprior Review*, (Mr. James McLachlan, proprietor,) was completely destroyed by fire on the morning of the 3rd instant. Mr. Bourguignon was insured in the *Stadacona* for \$1500, and Mr. McLachlan in the *Queen* for \$1100 and *Citizen* for \$1000. We are refurnishing both offices.