

Joe Stevens, late of the Spring Hill (N. S.) *Trades Journal*, has removed to the foremanship of the *Truro Guardian*. Henry A. McKnight now plays a lone hand on the *Trades Journal*, on contract.

H. G. Wright, one of the editors of the *Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle and Constitutionalist*, died recently. Though only twenty-nine years of age, he was one of the ablest writers on the Southern press.

The Superintendent recently declined to allow the printers of the Government Printing Office at Washington (D. C.) pay for legal holidays. Upon an appeal to Congress, the printers have carried their point, a resolution being passed allowing them compensation.

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Hon. Francis Winton, editor of the *St. John's (N. F.) Chronicle*, has been appointed Financial Secretary of that colony. Mr. W. was one of the leading opponents of Confederation, and this elevation of Mr. Winton does not indicate the growth of Confederation sentiment in Newfoundland.

Geo. Keyes has retired from the proprietorship of the *Colborne (Ont.) Express*, on account of feeble health. He began the paper thirteen years ago, and has been at work steadily ever since. The *Express* was one of the best supported local papers in the Dominion. The new proprietors are Messrs. Males & Gordon.

A correspondent writing from Toronto under date of March 20th says: The *Globe* has got down to a single sheet on Saturdays. It is rumored that the business manager of the *Mail*—Mr. Dyas—will soon sever his connection with that office. It is also said that a new daily paper will soon be started and will be given away on the streets.

The mechanical work on the *Eastern Chronicle*, N. S., has been given out by yearly contract. The contractors now running it are Messrs. Anthony Hogg and Geo. W. Chisholm, late of the *Truro Guardian*, and Miss Libby Chisholm, all belonging to New Glasgow. An unsuccessful tenderer for the contract talks of starting an opposition paper in the same town.

A Parliamentary return shows that, in addition to the other jobs, the *Citizen* company of Ottawa received for printing the library catalogue last year \$5,047; accompanying the account is a letter from the *Queen's Printer* stating that the measurement charged and paid for exceeds the correct measurement by 368,000 ems, and that the entire job at contract rates would only come to \$3,524.

Mr. Edgar W. Davies died at Chelsea on March 12th. He was a native of Boston and nearly 53 years old. He had been connected with the *Traveller* for 30 years as reporter and typo, and was the oldest employé on that sheet. He did much work in the Legislature as reporter, and was at one time quite famous for making comprehensive longhand abstract reports of speeches, debates, etc.

The residence of Mr. J. Riordon, paper manufacturer, Merriton, Ont., was partially destroyed by fire, recently; loss, \$10,000 to \$15,000, fully covered by an insurance of \$20,000. The fire, it is supposed, originated from a defective flue. Some very valuable paintings and statuary were removed in safety, but most of the furniture, all of a costly description, was considerably damaged by smoke and water.

Mr. Michael Dalton, type founder, of Boston, who died on the 24th of October last, was for thirty years connected with the Boston Type Foundry, and in 1845, in connection with the late Sewall Phelps, purchased the Dickinson Type Foundry, which has since been conducted under the firm name of Phelps, Dalton & Co. Mr. Dalton was a skillful, intelligent workman, ardently devoted to his business, and labored effectually to advance the interests of the art.

George Woods, a printer, 26 years old, has been on trial at Evansville, Ind., for the second time, for the murder of Mrs. Millie Hobbs, in 1877. He was convicted two years ago, and sentenced for life to the penitentiary, but obtained a new trial. On March 1st the jury, after 48 hours' deliberation, disagreed. Woods procured morphine and took it during the night, and was found dead in his cell in the morning, leaving a letter saying that he would sooner die than remain confined in jail any longer.

Mr. Theodore L. De Vinne treats in the April and May numbers of *Scribner's Monthly* on the printing of wood-cuts. The first paper deals with the early methods of wood-cut printing on