

had nothing to do with its editorial management. He has simply allowed the use of his name as editor, for which he has received a salary. He will devote himself to the management of his hotel property at Stowe, Vt.

The employes of the *Transcript* celebrated the semi-centennial of that paper by a picnic to Revere Beach on July 24th. The party, including ladies, numbered about 160. Previous to the serving of supper, which took place at 6.30 p. m., a social gathering was held in the parlors of the hotel. Mr. Wm. Durant delivered an appropriate address in behalf of the proprietors and presided at the supper, assisted by Mr. John D. Whitcomb, foreman of the composing-room. A poem was received from Mr. Epes Sargent, and also a communication from Mrs. Richards, sister of Lynde Walter, first editor of the paper, and afterward his successor. Mr. E. H. Clement, W. A. Hovey, Edward E. Edwards, fact and fancy man; Aborn H. Bailey and Mr. Barron, financial editor, made brief responses.

While the company was entertaining its employes, a representative of the entertained, mindful that Monday was his birthday, secretly hung in the parlor of the respected treasurer and manager, Mr. Durant, a life-size portrait bust of himself in crayon—a genuine surprise upon his return home at midnight. The gift was accompanied by a neat album, containing the signature of every person in the service of the paper.

Samuel K. Head, a typo on the *Herald*, has been united to Miss Anna Page in the bonds of matrimony. Sam is a good fellow, and he has the best wishes of the boys in his new departure.

In the Municipal Court, on July 27th, Daniel McCarthy was arraigned for stealing a copy of the *Herald* and was fined \$1 and costs.

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Toronto Letter.

TORONTO, Aug. 5.

Mr. Geo. Johnston, familiarly known as the "Terror of the Lakes," has recently turned up here. This will answer the numerous enquiries in the *Miscellany*.

The *World* and *News*, both rival daily evening papers, are expected to appear about the beginning of September.

J. C. Wilson & Co., paper bag manufacturers, &c., Montreal, are erecting a fine paper mill at Lachute, P. Q. Flour sack paper of the

very best quality is to be the chief product. American machinery of the latest improvements is to be introduced.

The annual excursion of the Toronto Typographical Union took place to Victoria Park Aug. 2d, and proved to be a most successful affair. Over two thousand persons availed themselves of the opportunity to enjoy a social day with the printers, and it was a pleasing reflection at the end of the day that everything passed off in the most gratifying manner, without any mishap to spoil the pleasure of the day's proceedings.

James Moore, who was connected with the advertising department of the *Mail*, died suddenly Aug. 7th.

There was a slim attendance at the late meeting of the Ontario Press Association.

Joseph Bushaw, one of the best stereotypers in the United States, has been engaged by the proprietors of the *Toronto Mail* to superintend that department in connection with the new Scott presses. Mr. Bushaw comes well recommended from the following offices: *Daily Pioneer Press*, St. Paul, Minn.; *Evening Telegraph*, Chicago, Ill.; *Daily Globe-Democrat*, St. Louis, Mo. He will introduce the very latest improvements in stereotyping and can make a plate from a full page of type in eleven minutes. He was born in Montreal, but received his education from an early age in Rochester, N. Y.

It is rumored that the *Globe*, also the *Mail*, intend giving up their evening issues. It is found in most all cases that an evening paper, issued in connection with a morning, injures very much the circulation of the latter. There is plenty of room in a city like Toronto for two morning and two evening papers.

White tea paper (No. 3 print) is selling wholesale to the paper bag makers here and in Hamilton at 6c. per pound.

Owing to the rapidly increasing business of Barber & Ellis, wholesale stationers, envelope manufacturers, etc., Toronto, they have been compelled to add another flat to their already extensive premises on Jordan street.

The lacrosse teams of the *Toronto Globe* and *Mail* played a match game on the 24th July. The *Globe* team was victorious. "The *Mail* team, although meeting with defeat this time, say, as a rule, they can outwind them with the stick."