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The Printer's Miscellany.

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Close of the Second Volume.

With this number ends the second volume of *The Printer's Miscellany*. The past year has been an eventful and a hard one for us. On the 20th June, a year ago, the work and labor of over twenty-five years was swept away in the blast, leaving not a vestige behind, and we found ourselves face to face with the stern necessity of rebuilding our fortunes from the beginning. Among other things which suffered severely was the *Miscellany*. It had just finished its first year in life and had begun to assume somewhat the appearance of what might be expected in a journal devoted to typography, without claiming to be a specimen of printing anything above ordinary book or newspaper work. All this ground had to be gone over again, and with time, means and facilities very much reduced.

Our duties, as foreman of a daily morning, evening and weekly newspaper office, demanded all the thought, time and attention at our disposal for nearly a couple of months, almost day and night. New type, presses, engines and boilers, had to be put into temporary quarters that were only about one-quarter large enough for the purpose, which, of course, entailed a large amount of extra labor and care. After these were all systematized and regulated to run smoothly, our household urgently demanded attention. A house, furniture, etc., had to be procured at a time when all such things—particularly houses—were very scarce. However, the task was accomplished, and we hope to be pardoned the remark, in this connection, if we say that few households have been started in a more thrifty and economical manner than was this our second attempt to establish a home on this side of the River Jordan.

After the lapse of nearly three months we found time to think of the *Miscellany*, and about the third week in September the first number of the second volume was issued. Although nearly three months behind time at the start, and having to overcome great difficulties in getting composition and presswork done, we are happy to be able to announce that we have at last caught up and "made even" with time, and hope to be "on time" in future. From our experience during the past year, we are fully qualified to testify to the correctness of the saying that "a stern chase is a long one."

We consider this somewhat personal, and, perhaps, to some minds, irrelevant, explanation is due to our patrons and ourselves. It explains, to a certain extent, why the monthly issues of the *Miscellany* have been behind time, and partly accounts for its un-printerlike appearance, and also for the quality as well as quantity of its contents.

Notwithstanding the many warm, kind and friendly letters received from contributors and correspondents in reference to the *Miscellany*, and the multitude of flattering notices received from the press of the United States and Canada, we feel that it is not half what it should be, and, to tell the truth, have been somewhat surprised at the success it has attained both at home and abroad in such a short time.

In conclusion, permit us to call attention to the fact that with this number expires the subscriptions of most of those whose names are on