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## PRACTICAI MATTERS.

## The Foreman or Overseer.

Last month we gave under this head some good advice to apprentices, while sketching out the line of conduct they should all strive to follow. This month we address ourselves to the head of the house - the foreman or overseer. In doing so we shall merely lay down his general duties as given in a standard American authority on typographical matters. By a careful perusal and practical application of these few hints many establishments will be greatly improved while none can be harmed:-
"Oversight, vigilant and conscientious, is the price of profit and success. An overseer or foreman of a printing-olfice should be of more than ordinary capacity, and possess an even and unruffled temper. His conduct should be guided by justice and equity in regard to the interests of the employer and employed. A strict impartiality should be observed in his treatment of the workmen, and no favoritism should be displayed. He should make himself acquainted with the capacity of the men, and apportion work among them accordingly. Some men are valueless except for plain, straightforward composition; others, distinguished for taste and skill, delight in intricate work or matter requiring ingenuity and delicacy, such as tables, music, and algebra. Put one of the first class on this sort of composition, and he will 'botch' it, and earn small wages; while a workman of the latter class will become restive and dissatisfied with plain, solid matter. While dealing justly with the men under his charge, the foreman should see to it that the employer sufters no detriment from negligent or dishonest practices of unconscientious worlimen, whether from careless correcting, allowing dropped types to lie upon the floor, or overcharging, or other methods well known in a printing office. He should be the first and the last in attendance, in order to satisfy limself that every person does his duty in coming and leaving at the proper time.
"The office having been thoroughly swept at an early hour, and the type found in any alley
having being placed in the stick of the compositor occupying it, the foreman should pass around the room and see that it is immediately distributed, instead of being thrown on the windowframe or table. The type found in the body of the rooms should be sorted out and distributed at once, and not be allowed to accumulate. No pi should be permitted to remain over till the next day. This is an essential point to secure a tidy and well-regulated office.
"'The foreman should keep himself thoroughly informed of the amount and condition of the materials in the office, not only in gross, but in detail, including every style of type, every variety of accents and peculiar sorts, leads, chases, furniture, rules, borders, corner-pieces, etc. In this he will be greatly aided by carrying out the good old rule, a place for cacty thing, and cuery thing in its place wohen not in zusc, as well as by keeping a memorandum-book in which every thing should be entered under the proper head for facility of reference.
"As a matter of course, he should watch the progress of every job and book, and make sure that they shall be completed within the time contracted for. He should never allow a compositor to have a large take of copy; small takes facilitate expedition, and really tend to the profit of the workmen by bringing an earlier return of letter. He should see to it that every man has his copy closed in proper time, so as not to detain the make-up, and that he passes the make-up without necessary delay. As soon as a form or sheet is made up, he should order it to be imposed and a proof pulled, which, with the copy properly arranged, is to be at once handed to the proof-reader. Nor should he allow of any unnecessary delay.on the part of the reader, nor on the part of the compositors in correcting the proof when read. When proofs are required by an author, the foreman must forward them promptly to him, and request him to return them at the earliest possible moment. If the proof is not to be sent out, he should have the second reading quickly performed, and the forms prepared for the press.
"Systematic attention to the above points will tend to the comfort of the overseer, to the advantage of the workmen, and to the proft and satisfaction of the proprictor of the establishment."

Renew your subscriptions to the Miscellany.

## Our Adverticers.

Attention is called to the offer for sale of an electrotype foundry, bookbindery and Camplell combination printing press-Art series, -at Wallingford, Conn., U. S.

It is a genuine pleasure for us to introduce to our readers the well-established firm of Carter, Rice \&o Co., of Boston, Mass., whose advertisement will be found on page 279.
Connelly \& Co's. card on page 279 is worthy the attention of those requiring anything in the way of wood engraving. They promise firstclass work at unusually low prices. Send for estimates.
J. Ford \& Co. offers a large variety of goods, including wrapping and wall papers, roofing felt, strawboard, etc., which they keep constantly on,hand or make to order. Their card will be found page 274 .
John Crilly \& Co., manufacturers of white, colored and toned printing paper, envelopes and paper bags, claim a share of attention. We take great pleasure in drawing the attention of our readers to their business announcement on page 274.

Bennett \&o Co., of Montreal, wholesale and retail dealers in Nos. 1, 2 and 3 white, toned, colored and all grades of fine job and writing papers, envelopes, etc., have a strong claim on the trade for, at least, a part of their custom, and we trust this claim will be fully recognized. Their card will be found on page 274.
The wants of J. \& W. Reid (see page 272) will, no doubt, be promptly met.

We cannot say the same of the wants of a "Printer," at Coaticook, P. Q., for there seems to be a surplussage of "prints" just now, that is, in comparison to the number of situations vacant. However, if anybody requires his services, drop him a line. His address will be found, along with some others, on page 272 .
J. T. Besserer \& Sons, agents for the Lorette Pajer Company and manufacturers of paper bags and paper flour sacks, present their compliments to the readers of the Miscellany this month on page 2j4. They also offer "Bessercr's I. X. L. Composition," for printers' inking rollers, which they claim to be superior to any other now in use.

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All orders for advertising must be accompanied by a remittance to cover the same.

## The Printer's Miscellany.

ST. JOHN, N. B., CANADA, APRIL, 1878.

## The International Typographical Union.

In view of the approaching session of the In termational Typographical Union, to be held at Detroit, Michigan, during the first week in June, the Detroit Union has appointed a committee of fiften members to make all necessary arrangements for the comfort and convenience of the delegates attending. For the information of the craft we publish the following circular, addressed to the secretaries of Unions, which has been issued by the chairman of the Hotel Conmmittee :-
You are hereby requested to notify your delegates or ex-delegates, who propose to attend the
coming session of the International Typographical Union, to be held in this city the first week of June, ${ }^{1878}$, that the committee of arrangements of Detroit Union have selected "The Biddle" as the hotel headquarters, having secured a reduction in their favor to $\$ 1.50$ per day.
The hotel is situated at the corner of Jefferson Avenue and Randolph street, within three squares of the Detroit \$5 Milwaukee and Michigan Southern Railroad depot. Those arriving at the Michigan Central depot, per that road, Canada Southern, Great Western, Grand Trunk, or any of the other roads centering there, can reach "The Biddle" by taking a Jefferson Avenue car, which passes the hotel door.

The following list of officers of the International Typographical Union for $18777^{-7} 8$, together with their addresses, is published in response to numerous inquiries respecting the same received at this office :-Darwin R. Streeter, Globe-Democrat News-room, St. Louis, Mo., president ; Edward Griffin, No. 6 N. Popleton street, Baltimore, Md., first vice-president; Edwin Fitzgeorge, 86 and 88 Warren street, Trenton, N. J., second vice-president; John H. O'Donnell, No. 267 Gold street, South Boston, Mass., secretary-treasurer ; John Armstrong, P. O. Box 1025, Toronto, Ont., corresponding secretary.

The many friends of Mr. P. A. Crossby in the lower provinces will be glad to leain that he has been appointed Manager of the Dominion Type-Founding Company pro temn., and that there is reason to believe the appointment will be confirmed and made permanent at the first mecting of the Board of Directors. He will visit these lower provinces early in May, and will no doubt be pleased, as usual, to receive the orders as well the congratulations of his many friends in these parts.
J. L. McCoskery, stationers, etc., and Richard Heans, bookbinder, etc., have removed from King Square to Emis \& Gardener's building, Prince William street, near the Market Square. Their new premises are large and commodious. Physically, they are not large men, but those having business with them will attest to the fact that there is nothing small about them.

The "Paris Correspondence Company and Press Agency," are our sole representatives for Daris and the continent.

## EHDITORIAL NOTERS.

7he Crozun and the Cabinet, a pamphlet by Mr. Dunckley, of the Manchester, England, Examiner, has reached its twenty-fifth thousand.

We have to acknowledge the receipt of some beautiful specimens of work in the shape of Masonic Address Cards, etc., from M. H. Smith, Rochester, N. Y.

We have received through the post office a short sketch, entitled "The Inflated Hop.Toad," by Moosup. Will the author drop us his "card?"

For full information regarding the progress of the "unpleasantness" in "the East," see editorials in daily papers concerning the unreliability of "our despatches," etc.

It is rumored that the brothers John and James Thompson, superintendents of the Napanee and Newburgh Paper Mills, intend starting a paper mill sometime during the coming summer.

Samuel Sherlock Walker, (younger brother of our honorary correspondent, Wm. Walker) is a reporter, in the north of England,? for the London Era,-the best and leading weekly dramatic paper published.

Every day a copy of the New York Herald, with the name of the writer of each article written across it in blue pencil, is sent to James Gordon Bennett, with copies of each of the other papers. He reads them all carefully, and if there is anything he does not like, over comes a cablegram. This statement may be taken for what it is worth.

There are six weekly newspapers and two patent outsides, published in the counties of Lennox and Addington:-Keporter, by Papa Bros., at Newburgh; Express, by W. C. Scott, at Napanee; Beaver, by Templeton © IBeeman, Napanee; Standard, by Henry \&f Bro., Napanee : also Canada Casket and Temperance Union, both temperance; and two patent outsides, by Henry \& Bro.

It is stated that a new kind of paper, suitable for either writing or printing purposes, has been invented, which will resist any amount of heat. A parcel or roll of this paper may be placed in the hottest fire, and while the edges and outside sheet may become carbonized, all those inside remained uninjured, and the printing or writing will still be legible. Two Salamanca savants are said to be the inventors.

Walter Wirthivine, a young man:aged mineteen, living at Cincinatti, O., says an exchange, is said to have recently backed 2,200 envelopes (writing a man's name, town, county and State on each one) in 8 h .13 m . -an average of over four envelopes a minute. The same day, after completing the above, he undertook to write 350 in one hour, which he accomplished, having $81 / 2 \mathrm{~m}$. to spare. He is considered to be one of the frstest writers in the city for his age.
Newspapers and business men requiring correspondents or agents in Paris or on the continent, cannot do better than secure the services of the "Paris Correspondence Company and Press Agency," established in 1860. They furnish special telegrams and correspondence on all topics in English, French, Spanish and other languages, and execute commissions of all kinds at a moderate charge. In view of the Exposition now open in Paris, no doubt they will be called upon for a large amount of correspondence, their facilities for furnishing which are not excelled by any. Their address will be found on pages 271 and 279.

## Acknowledgments.

The following sums have been received at this office up to May 6th :-
Laberge and Gingras, Quebec, Q......\$1 00 Robt. Stanton, C. Darveau, " ....... 100 Thomas Clarke, Meaford, Ont......... 50 William Mçiee, " "......... 50 Peter W. H:ur, " "......... 50 James Aston, Drayton, Ont ........... 50 Harry D. Lee, Woodstock, Ont. ....... I 100 James Blundel!, Lakefield, Ont......... I 00 Philip Schofield, Webster, Mass........ 50 Eady Howden, St. John's, Q.......... 50 Jno. F. Battles, Stanstead, Ont. . ....... 50

We \%irect attention to our Paris letter, in which is epitomized the printing news of Paris, and would add that arrangements have been completed to secure regular letters from the same source. Typographical matters at the Exposition will receive a lange share of attention from our correspondents.

Correspondents and canvassers are wanted for the Miscellany in Toronto, Hamilton and Kingston, Ont. Write to the editor for terms.

## NEWS OF THE ORAFT. LOCAL.

J. So A. McMilian expect to occupy their new building in a few weeks.

Roger Hunter, has secured cosy quarters and a good stand on Prince William street, near the Market Square.
J. H. Hennigar, has been taken on the local staff of the Globe, in place of Robert Armstrong, to whom reference is made in another part of this department.

The Evening Star is the title of a new daily paper which, rumor says, will soon be issued from the office of Bowes $\&>$ Perley. It is started with the intention of filling a vacancy in the conservative literature of the day.
R. © E. Armstrong, the former lately on the reportorial staff of the Globe, and the latter until recently working in Barnes' office, have secured the type, presses, etc., belonging to the late firm of C. Armstrong \& Co., and intend carrying on book and job printing in all its branches.
Geo. Stewart, jr., we understand, has been proffered and has accepted the editorial management of the Canadium Monthly and Belfora's itingasine, which two publications are to be united on or before the ist of July, under the elongated title of the Rose-Belford Canada Monthly. We congratulate Mr. Stewart on his acceptance of such a high trust, as well as the company on their choice of an editor. The accession of Mr. S. to the management, we have no doubt, will cause the Monthly to become very popular in St. John, while from the tact and talent displayed by him in his younger days in the conduct of Stevart's Quarterly, as well as his still later and more mature literary efforts, there is good reason to believe a brilliant future awaits him.

Newspaper printing is quite brisk here just now, but the same can hardly be said of job work, many offices having but few orders ahead. Owing partly to the starting of new printing concerns, few printers are idle at present, and, judging from appearances, there will be work for all, temporarily, at least. Speaking of the starting of new printing offices, we are somewhat puzzled to think how they will all come out. We were under the impression there were already plenty to do the work, and if our judgment was right, and the trade is divided up to give the new comers a share, sonie of the
older houses must necessarily suffer. Still, notwithstanding the tendency to "cut prices," arising from the new state of things, it is to be hoped that the old reliable houses, whose reputations for good work have been established beyond a doubt, will not le affected in any material degree for some time. If they are, they have only themselves to blame, in perpetuating the present incongruous and unjust apprentice system, or rather the want of system now prevalent.

There are quite a number of changes in the staffs of the city offices to note this month. J. P. Bowes, of Sackville, who worked for some time in the Neus office previous to the fire of 20th June, '77, but who retired to Sackville soon after that event, is now subbing on the Telegraph vice James Porter, who is working on the Miscellany.

The Necus office has replaced the hands who went out to the Visitor office, with the following : James Foster, who has been until quite recently working in Day's; James Berry, of Fredericton; and Maurice Hughes, who has been working outside of printing since the fire.

Armstrong \& Hopper, proprietors of the Christian Visitor, have purchased an outfit, in Boston, we believe, and intend printing the paper themselves. Besides, they have put in material for a job office, which they hope to make remunerative. S. J. McCready, late of the Necus job rooms, is foreman, and he is assisted by W. H. Turnbull, and John Rogers, of Provividence, R. I., lately both of the Necus office.

McKillop \& Johnston, book and job printers, have secured permanent quarters in the new brick building, now being erected, on the site of their old office. We admire the business pluck of these two young men, and believe it would be a hard conundrum to gress as to which of them has the best "staying" qualities, whether Bob or Jack. Their lines have surely fallen in hard places. They deserve better luck, and we sincerely trust they will win it.

## DOMINION.

The Cornwall heporter has introduced a Gælic column.

The first number of the Daily News has made its appearance in Montreal.

The Globe Printing Company, Toronto, has declared a dividend of four per cent. for the quarter ending 30th March last.

The Victoria, 13. C., Colonist will be enlarged and improved shortly.

The village of Preston now has a semimonthly newspaper. It is called the Hornet.

Messrs. Hart \& Rawlinson have arranged for the publication of a Canadian edition of the Saturday Revicu.

Mr. Hodgson of the Collingwood Enterprise, goes to New York to assume a responsible position on the staff of the American Builder.

Woman's Work in Mfontreal is the title of an 8-page monthly paper published at the rooms of the Working Girls' Association of that city.

Mr. Chas. G. Cavanagh, late of the Oakville Express, has accepted a position as local editor on the Georgetown Herald.

Chas. Taylor, of Whitby, iate publisher of the Whitby Gazette, has been appointed an officer of Customs.

Mr. Robert Laidlaw of the Woodstock Review has bought out Mr. Gissing's interest in that paper.

- Mr. Bowden, formerly of the Richmond, Quebec, Guardian, has been called to the bar of California at Los Angelos.

Mr. A. W. Wright, late of the Guelph Herald, has resumed the editorship of the Toronto National.

Mr. Wilton has resigned his position on the Montreal Herald's staff and accepted one in Boston, Mass.

The Acton Free Press has again changed hands; Mr. Galbraith leaves the business as partner, and is engaged by Mr. Moore as an editor.

The Canadian Monthly and Belford's Magasine are to be amalgamated before the rst of July under the title of the Rose-Belford Canada Monthly.
C. Cliffe, late proprietor of the St. Catharine's Review, also the Prescott Plaindealer, has purchased the West Durhamt Neus, of Bowmanville, the paper which figured so largely in the " big push" libel case.
Mayor Beaudry, of Montreal, entertained the representatives of the press at a dinner at the City Club on the 2nd inst. He is said to be the first Mayor who has officially recognized the fourth estate.
T. W. Smithson, of the Frec Press job-room,
and formerly of the Brussels Post, started recently for the Western prairies, via St. Louis, having secured a three months' leave of absence on account of ill-health.
The London, Ont., Firee Press says that D. I. K. Rine, the author of "The Rine Movement," was a printer, preacher, lawyer, jail and penitentiary prisoner, lecturer, till-tapper, and the meanest kind of a drinker.

Great complaints reach us from Ottawa concerning the delay in the issuing of the Hansard. It is said the delay is so great that it is practically of no use. The contractors blame the printers and the printers blame the contractors, so that, between them, it would seem as if no. body was in fault.

A compositor named Stewart Smith, working in Montreal, but who was a native of Belleville, Ont., having served his time in the Intelligencer office, inflicted a slight wound on his foot while paring a corn. For several days he felt no in. convenience and went to work as usual, says the Montreal Star, but afterwards his foot began to swell and got so painful that he was finally in. duced to go to the General Hospital. Despite all efforts he got worse and died. It appears that after his foot began to bleed the deceased, not fearing danger, put on a blue stocking, and it is supposed his blood was poisoned thereby.

## From our Drantferd, Ont., Correspondent.

Mr. W.C. Trimble, formerly of the Brantford Expositor, who lately went to Colorado for his health, has sold out his interest to William Watt, jr.

Frank Yeigh, for three years an employe in the Expositor office, left for Chicago lately, where he has secured.a sit. in the office of Culver, Page, Hoyne \& Co.
The Walkerton Telescope and Grand River Sackem have enlarged and donned new dresses.

Mr. C. W. Bunting, proprietor of the Toronto Mail, is to contest Welland Co., for a seat in the House of Commons.
The Chatham Daily Bulletin and Mitchell Adcocate (German weekly) have appeared.

Mr. Wm. Magee, of the London Advertistr, has stepped into the matrimonial harnsss.

## From a Kincardjae, Oat, Correapondent.

Fred Jarvis, a comp. haiiing from Mitchell, who was on the Tiverton Watchman for about a month, is now on the Arthur Enterprise.

Fred knows how to wet. paper down and is pretty good at "sticking." "A nod," etc.
Dan Abbott, better kncisn in Port Perry as the "elephant," is at work in Tiverton. Some folks think Dan a good "tooter." No pun intended.
The proprietors of the Kincardine Reviav, Messrs. Bartholemew \&o Thompson, are contemplating running by steam again. They sustained a heavy loss by the late fire. It is to be hoped they will prosper in their efforts for they are both pushing men.
The editor of the Kincardine Reporter, we believe, is one of the finest job printers in westera Ontario. The "bhoys" say he is a fine fellow to work for.

The Walkerton Telescope was enlarged a few weeks ago. It now presents a lively appearance. Long may it live.

A Kincardine youth, Alf. Gossell, better known 25 "Simon Guss," went to work on the Iondon Free Press some time ago. When he got there he was put on "half time." Alf., by the bye, did not like that; so he went to St. Catharines, and worked on the Daily Review of that city. Since that paper "bust" up, we have not heard of his whereabouts. Perhaps some brother "chip" would let us know.
A. W. Corbett, of this town, has thrown up the stick and rule. He has gone into something better, the printing having affected his health.

Car. Space.
From our Charlotetown, P. E. I., Correepondent.
The Charlottetown Herald has resumed publication, with the following staff of hands:John Snelgrove, foreman; Leo Harrington and George Tanton, compositors; and Fred King, apprentice.
Mr. W. L. Cotton, editor of the Examiner, has returned from Ottawa.
The Argus office has a couple of extra hands on to facilitate the operating of the semi-weekly.
William Mcikle is working on the cebates in the Neco Era office.
At the opening of the session of the Local House this year, there was more competition than usual for the Government printing, and the tenders accepted were lower than at any prerious.session. The work has been awarded as follows:-Journals of House of Assembly, Mr. Fidtr, at Mrs. Cooper's ("Nonpariel") office;

Journals of the Legislative Council, Mr. J. W. Mitchell, of the Examiner office; Debates of the House of Assembly, Mr. Bowers, New Era office ; and the Legislative Council Debates, J. H. Fletcher, Esq., Argus office.

A Devil Afraid of Fire.-In the Charlottetown Herald office, the other day, the boy of the establishment had just kindled his office fire, when some unknown influence canted over the stove, and laid it out its length on the floor, back down. The hero of the catastrophy took alarm, and forgetting his affinity to the devouring element, and the means at his disposal forits subjugation, opened the window, fon the fourth storey) and shoated loully for help. One of his chums of a higher grade, happened to be passing at the time, but, knowing the tendency of their paternity to lying, did not seem to credit the truth of the story. All this time the stove was lying on the floor, puffing out smoke, and the poor boy swearing he was telling the truth this time. At length some persons arrived, who had not such poor faith in the veracity of our friend, and soon stood the stove on its legs again, where it may still be seen doing good service.
The rush of work, consequent on the opening of the Legislature, has not been sufficient to call for the services of all the available hands, and there are a few yet remaining out of employment. There is not much prospect of any im. mediate improvement.

## UNITED STATES.

The Globe-Democrat, of St. Louis, Mo., says its expenses are $\$ 6,000$ a week.

The Government printers in Washington have petitioned Congress for an increase in pay.

An Illinois weekly paper contains in each issue a chapter of the Bible. No doubt it will be necus to some of its subscribers.

Edison, the inventor of the duplex and printing telegraph and telephone, started in life as a newsboy.

The Women's Hotel in New York is much in favor with female newspaper correspondents, being largely patronized by this class.

The wife of Robert Bonner, of the New York Ledger, died on the 3rd inst., and his daughter, 16 years of age, died on the 1 ith inst.

Thirty Texan papers have died within the last twelve months, and sixty new ones sprung into existence during the same time.

Lockwood, Brooks \& Co., Boston; Mass., hook publishers, have suspended; liabilities, $\$ 120,000$.

The first newspaper published in New York was called the Gazette, and was issued by John Bradford in the year 1725 , during the month of October.

The use of the postal card in the United States is, still increasing. The orders for the last quarter amounted to fifty-three millions, or at the rate of $\mathbf{2 1 2}$ millions a year.

Isaac Adams, a millionaire, died at Sandwich, U. S., on the 20th March. He bought Adams' printing press from the inventor for an old gun, afterwards receiving $\$ 40,000$ in gold for its use in England.
J. B. McCarthy of The Sunday Chronicle walked a mile against time at the Washington Gymnasium, recently, in $9 \mathrm{~m} .483 / \mathrm{s}$; ; J. Sargent, who was to have walked against him, did not appear.

The Astor Library, New York, rejoices in the possession of a copy of the "Caxton Bible," one of the hundred copies claimed to have been printed, bound, etc., in one day by the Oxford Press, at the last Caxton celebration in England.

The Boston Typographical Union has chosen Messrs. Andrew Atwell of the Herald and D. N. McMullen of the Globc as delegates to the International Convention, to be holden at Detroit, Mich., June $3^{\text {rd. }}$

At a large fire in Philadelphia, Pa., on the 25th March, the following firms, among others, were burned out, viz :-Zeising \&o Co., printers; Tanly \&o Co., engravers; Chas. Kaufman, map printer ; Price Hunt, blank-book manufacturer, and H . Burton, wall papers.

James Gollie, a printer, aged 52 years, committed suicide in Brooliyn, N. Y., a few days ago, by cutting his throat from ear to ear. When the body was found a razor was tightly grasped in the right hand. It was stated at the inquest that the deceased had been drinking to excess for some time past and repeatedly threatened to comnit suicide.
F. D. Millet, of Boston, war correspondent of The Daily News of London, has received from the Czar both of his decorations as Chevalier of St. Anne and St. Stanislas. That of St. Anne is the highest decoration given to any correspondent, and was won by Mr. Millet during
the passage of the Balkans. He was the only correspondent who went through with General Ghourko.

Typographical Union, No. 90, Richmond, Va., have elected the following staff of officers for the ensuing term $:-W$. T. Booth, president; Thomas J. Vaughan, vice-president ; J. H. Canpbell, recording secretary ; W. H. Mullen, cor. secretary ; Wm. E. Woody, fin. secretary; A. W. Tyree, treasurer ; C. A. J. Hill, sergt.-at-arms; Charles Ellis, J. H. Campbell, and Henry Meyer, trustees.

Tom Ryan, a sporting typo, undertook to walk 50 miles in fourteen hours at Dexterss Hall, Cincinatti, O., April 2nd and 3rd ; but, though he had set himself a comparatively easy task, he failed, being completely used up at the end of the eleventh hour, when only 45 miles had been cowered. Ryan had better stick to his case hereafter, or eliee see to it that he appears at the post in so much better form that he will be able to make up for this failure.

A Texan editor accepted a position on a Baltimore paper, and the first week he was arrested three times for libel, had striking arguments with four offended individuals who came in to horsewhip him, and was stabbed between the shoulder-blades one night as he was leaving the office. At the expiration of ten days he resigned his position. He said editing a newspaper in Baltimore was too tame work - not enough variety and excitement in it for him ; and he had concluded to return to Texas, where an editor's duties were more varied and required a knowledge of pistol practice.

Typographical Union, No. 18, Detroit, Michigan, at their annual election made the following choice of officers for the term commencing May Ist, 1878 :-Lyman A. Brant, president ; Chas. S. Bell, vice-president ; Wm. A. Russell, rec. secretary; Timothy J. Finn, cor. secretary; John McVicar, fin. secretary; George Thorpe, treasurer; Alex. Peirosky, sergeant-at-arms; Henry D. Wlitcomb, chairman, P. A. O'Neil, C. G. Cook, John Lowry, and Richard Morris, directors; Mark H. Marsh, chairman, John Hardy and Geo. W. Jarse, committee on membership.

The noted Madame Restell's second husband was a printer named Lohman, with whom shebecame acquainted in New York. Their first: attempt at housekeeping was in a very small
way. Lohman, as a printer, had no push in him, and not long after the marriage he evoluted into "Dr. Morriceau, physician, from Paris." About the same time his wife (who, it is said, was then a coarse and illiterate woman) appeared before the public as "Madam Restell, midwife." That was the beginning of the "prufessional" career of two of the most outlawed characters New York ever saw. Lohman died about a year ago, and was successful during his lifetime in eluding the law.
George C. Furner, a compositor employed at Howard Lockwood's printing office, on Sunday, March 31, essayed the task of walking fortyeight miles in twelve hours, at the Ravenswood Athletic Subscription Grounds, Long Island. The day was fine, the track in good condition, and a goodly assemblage of spectators were present. Mr. Furner commenced his task at 7.01 a. m., and in the first hour finished a little over five miles. He walked 20 miles without a stop. Time, 4 hours. Upon the completion of the task he had $\mathrm{Ih} . \mathrm{im}$. 3 s. to spare. His fastest mile, the sixth, was made in 1om. 38 s ., and the last mile was done in 12m. 25. The accomplishment of this task reflects great credit upon the pedestrian, considering that he entered upon it without any previous training.
Typographical Union, No. 29, Peoria, Illinois, in its semi-annual circular, dated March 3tst, 1878, announces the following as officers for the ensuing term :-John R. Griffith, president ; Jas. Mahoney, vice-president; George E. Sylvester, rec. sec.; Frank L. Moore, fin. and cor. sec. ; Joseph H. Emery, treas. ; Wm. Mc. Ewing, sergt.-at-arms; Jas. Mahoney, chairman, Andrew Wiltz and Rollin Ladd, executive committec ; George A. Cary, delegate ; Michael H. Snider, alternate. This Union has 29 active and 6 honorary members; 2 have been initiated for the past six months, while Io have withdrawn by card, and 8 have been expelled for non-payment of dues. The secretary adds in his circular: "Itinerant printers without their passports need not apply. Those duly equipped are sent on their way rejoicing. Business at this season dull, and not quotably higher than 32 cents per 1000 or $\$ 15$ per week."

## GREAT BRITAIN.

England has eight newspapers over a century old.
Mr. Salisbury, one of the correspondents of
the Daily News, is preparing for the press an account of his experience in Roumania.

The Newcastle-on-Tyne Chronicle was estab. lished 1764.

The London, Eng., Telegraph has a circulation of 240,000 , or one copy for every 18 of the population of the city.

Libel suits are plentiful in England as in this country. The "pitching into" process has been bruught down to a finer point with them than we can boast of.

The Newcastle, England, Daily Chronicl;, is the stakeholder in a matched race between John Higgins, of Shadwell, the champion oarsman of England, and W. Elliott, of Pegswood, for $£ 200$ a side and the Championship of England Cha!lenge Cup, given by the stakeholder.

The late Dr. Doran was in the habit of writing articles to the Athcnaum, describing the towns visited by the British Association. These interesting papers have been collected into a volume, and will shortly be published by Messrs. Chatto and Windus.
As soon as the news of the fall of Plevna had been received, histories of the war were advertised in the London papers, and a firm of tourist directors began to organize "parties for visiting the scenes of the recent struggle in Europe and Asia."
Lord Roseberry, who was announced some months ago as having become the proprietor of the London Examiner, an old established review which is said to have been languishing for some years, has taken the first step towards restoring spirit to the articles, by doubling the pay of the contributors. By later advices we observe he has also doubled himself, having married Hannah de Rothschild.

The strike in Dublin will, no doubt, cause an exchange of printers between London and that city. Many compositors have been engaged in London to fill the places of those on strike, while nearly as many have arrived in London، from Dublin and have succeeded in getting work. The impression is that those employers who acceded to the demands of the men will more than make up the advance in their unusually large profits.

An English exchange says that Stanley, the great explorer, got a cheque for $£ 400$ for two hours' conversation with the artists of the Illus-
trated News; and if it has not been "in the prepers," it is an item illustrative of the fact that things are remarkally well paid for here, always excepting the work of factory hands and farm laborers. Society, it has been said, consists of two great classes, those who have more appetite than dinners, and those who have the other thing.

The illustrated papers in Enghand are scarcely behind the dailies in the enterprise of their special correspondents. The Illustratal Lontion Arats had on board the tug that brought home Cloopatrn's Needle, an artist who hal slipped as a coal-trimneer, there being no other ineans of accompanying the vessel. As soon as the tug arrived of Gravesend, Mr. Wells, the conltrimmer, got a boat and went ashore with his precious sketches, and, it is said, has been entered in the ship's $\log$ as a deserter.

At a London, England, police court recently a bookbinder's female apprentice was brought up on a charge of deserting her employment, the punishment prescribed for the offence being imprisonment. She receivel, for working from S a. m. till 10 p . m., half of her carnings, which never exceeded $S_{7} 1 / 2$ cents a week, and sometimes fell below 60 , and, considering the remuneration inadequate, joined a pantomime company at Christmas. The magistrate found, of course, that the offence was fully proven, but adjourned his decision and dismissed the girl on her own recognizance.

The widow of the late Mr. George Cruikshank, the celebrated caricaturist, is engaged on an autobiography of her husband. A descriptive list of the works, illustrated by Mr. Cruikslank, has appeared, and contains the names of 113 books and periodicals, not including the many volumes said to lie illustrated by him, but in which the engravings are only copies of old drawings. His work extended over a period of about sixty years - from iS11 to 1877. The earliest cut by Cruikshank in the British Museum library bears diate 1806 , but in the exhibition at the Westminster Aquarium there are thirteen caricatures, dated 1799 and ISco. His first dmwing was therefore made when he was but seven years of age. The last book illustrated by him was Mrs. Blewite's, "The Rose and the Lily," published in $18 ; 6$.
The trial of John Henderson Monro, the machineman who was mentioned in our English
letter in last month's Miscellany, as having been arrested for theft of proof sheets of the "Encyclopartia Britannica," from the establishment of Messrs. Neill \& Co., printers, of Edinburgh, Şotland, took place before Bailie Towse, and several of the hands employed in the establishment were examined. The l3ailie, in passing sentence, remarked that the case was very much one of an ordinary case of theft. He considered, however, that printers were in a position of trust, as matters of delicacy and privacy were continually passing through their hands, and that it was quite an erroneous idea that they were entitled to carry away their employers' property. Considering the good character which the acc:ased had hitherto borne, he restricted the sentence to twenty days imprisonment.

## MisCELLANEOUS.

Every editor of a paper in Madrid las received the grand cross or commandery of Isabella the Catholic.
The entire Bible has been newly transhated into the Russian language, and of this version, which the british and Foreign liible Society is now printing, some setenty thousand copies have already been circulated.
A new theatrical dodge in Paris. Several of the Parisian , ajers print "orders" amongst their advertisements, and these, when cut and presented at the door, admit the bearer at half price. We commend this extroordinary system to the attention of those who are leamed in the art of papering houses.

In the editorial rooms of Lc Crigaro, in Paris, a fencins and boxing apartment has been set apart. The editors find invigorating exercise with rapier and glowes, and the man who demands explanations or retractions will become more and more rare as the staff become more proficient in the manly art.
His Royal Ifighress the Prince of Wales while in Paris, France, visited the office of Figaro. The Prince went there late at nigh, and after inspecting the composition and press deparments of the journal was treated to an improvised nusical and dramatic entertainment. A sort of supper followed, at which the Prince hob-nobled with the editors and appeared to enjoy himself immensely: Of course aristocratic propic are very much shocked and criticise His Koyal Highness scuerely.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## Norwich Notes.

Norwich, Conn., April 22, $1 \mathrm{IS}_{7} \mathrm{~S}$.
As all the Norwich readers of the Misctllany are aware, its editor and publisher came out of the great conflagration of the 20 th of June last minus everything he possessed except his fimily -and that, by the way, a pretty large one. He was left high and dry upon a lee shore, and amid the general wreck and ruin he did not so much as save his private papers, excepting those which his pockets contained. As a consequence, his subscription and mailing books were lost - licked up by the flames - and he is, therefore, unable to tell at just what date our subscriptions to the Miscillany began or expire. Of course, this applies only to those who subscribed previous to the fire, and to such we would ask, if they have any recollection of the matter, that they furnish the canvasser with the date, or somewhere near it, that the editor may be enabled to give due satisfaction to his patrons. For our own part, we have endeavored, with the scant material at our command, 20 make the Norwich column interesting: if we have failed, it has not been altogether our fault. In some instances, it is well known, we have been just a little tempted, but if children will phay with fire, they must, at some time, expect to get singed. To day; the Miscellany has a large circulation in this city, nearly every printer, apprentices included, being a subscriber thercto. The coming year we expect its circulation will be even larger than in the past, and to the few who have not get subscrilked, we extend the inritation to do so. As it is, we consider Norwich the "banncr town" for our little friend, the Printer's Misctiliany.
Wm. HI. W. Campbell (late editor of the Bulldin) and wife sail for Europe on the 27th.

Charles Wilberforce Denison has retarned home from a visit to the land of roast leef and plum pudding. His face looks as if he had enjoyed a little of the 'op, also.

The man who prints 1,000 business cards for $\$ \mathrm{I}$, and then takes his pay in suspenders; must be doing heaps of work.

It is said there is a printing office in a meighboring city the proprictor of which will take bull pups, curs, or anything one has a mind to give him in exchange for his work. Only think
of his compositors, at the close of a week's work, leading, home a string of curs or Maltese cats !

Rumor has it thusly: A reporter for a paper in an adjoining city, one Saturday night, went off on a little toot, got "mussy," had the devil thumped out of him, went to church the following evening, asked for prayers, and was converted. "An o"er true tale," but slung together in a hurry.

The Norwich press works, situated at Thamesville, can now be had at a reasonable figure if you have any spare change laid away in your stocking. Ours are out at the toes.

Add. D. Welch, formerly of Town and Coun$t r y$, Providence, made us a short visit on the 6th, while on his way to fill a lecture engagement at Danielsonville.

As a preacher, some who heard him say, that book agent was a failure. When he realizes the situation, perhaps he will don the cast-irons and start out in the old business again. In this way he might get plenty of "subbing" to do on the road, especially in the summer season, when the "regulars" want to go to the seaside.
"Nylo" says: "A recent subscriber to the Miscellany wishes to know where the best wood type is manufactured." Wie would gladlyanswer that little conundrum, bat fear the editor would hardly allow us to use this column for that purpose. He has already been generous; and we are not going to impose upion good nature. As the Miscillany now circalates throughout most of the States, probably we shall soon see advertisements in it giving a complete and comprehensive answer to the question.

The iVctster Times office, at Webster, Mass., is said to be one of the handsomest little country offices in New England, and the paper a model of typographical beauty-
That litile fellow with the bow and arrow appears to be doing a thriving business, and is bringing down his game at every shot. The last one to yield at his command was John Frankla, jr., of the Julletin job room, the particulars of which will be found under its appropriate heading. We have contracted with the little slayer to furnish us an item once 2 month during these dull times, which will be 2 .great help, as items are almost as scarce as a glass of good whiskey.

Having been christened in Spain, an ordinnary-
sized envelope is hardly large enough on which to write our names and do them justice; but if "Corn Cob" wants our address, it is "Box 1518, Norwich, Conn.," with a U. S. added if he deems it necessary. Come, "Bobby," we're a-blinkin' at you.

We have our own private opinion of the men who will take the steamboat train for a visit to a city east of Boston, and upon reaching the "Hub" turn around, buying a ticket for New York, after reaching which city they secure a passage on the Fall River line and proceed to their eastern destination, maling the round trip in three uags. Bock beer, strawberries and green peas have struck in here, and we're inclined to the belief it must have been the peas that started them.

In view of the fact that we are looking forward to receiving invitations to attend two weddings, which are to occur between this time and the middle of October, our cheerfulness is about ready to depart. Our partner in this column has been ill for some months, expects he is going to die, sometime, and says he won't be there ; it therefore behooves us to look up a swallowtail and stove-pipe, as we anticipate being "laid out " on thest several occasions.

The Connecticut Legislature has adjourned and the publication of the laws enacted during the past session is now in order. An important law, and the one in which we are most deeply interested, is the dog law. It calls for $\$ 2.15$, a collar and a muzzle. Our pups have got to suicide, that's certain.
The death of William Faulkner, a Norwich printer of some forty years aso, is announced as having occurred at Oakland, Califormin, during the month of March. The Bulletin, in giving a short sketch of his business career, says he was the publisher of the Norwich Republican, and later of the Norwich Necos. He was considered a whole-souled, estimable man, and the followings is told of him : "One morning be heard that :i printer in his employ had been heating his wifc. He hastemed to his office, impetuously vowing to immediately discharge the hardhearted monster. Weing questioned afterwands what he did about it, he answered, that having heard the printer's story all through, he came to the conclusion that the typo and not the wife was the worst victim, and so he retained him in lis employ and raised his wages!" In '49 he
embarked for Califormia, where, in company with Warren Leland, now proprietor of the mammoth hotel in San Francisco, he established the Pacific Nicuus, and inside of four months was able to sell out and divide $\$ 80,000$ with Leland. In Oakland he was highly esteemed by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

It is said "The Printer" is now " under in. structions." He, he! Ho, ho! Shoo, fly !

Iate advices place Thomas L. Horan, of this city, at work in Dublin, Ireland.

When you feel like "barking up a tree," be careful not to get under the one on which "Stick and Rule" roosts. "The Printer" felt that way, went for our tree with a rush and 2 howl, made a mistake, and now thinks he must have been struck by lightning.

Every printer in town wore a smiling face after the arrival of the last number of the Ais. cellany: Even the Worak-to-che-nesh-he-kawhaws, after perusing the Norwich items, could not restrain the smile. The "only printer in town" thinks somewhat of holding a prayer. meeting over in the Latrel hill railroad tunnel.

Stick and Rule.
The Shorthand Systems.

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\text { Сhicaco, Ili., May i, } 1878 .
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## To the Eaitor of the Miscellany:

Sir,-I have been much interested in the series of articles on Phonography which have appeared in late numbers of the Afiscellany, and was quite surprised at a communication which came out in the February number, where the writer makes some remarkable statements on the subject. He says Graham's system is the lest, and that a number of the characters used by Pitman, Aiunson and others, are fac-similes of Graham's. I think this last statement is entircly wrong, for Pitman's and Munson's systems are older, and have been published longer than Graham's, and that he copies from them instead. As to learning Graham's system, I have the restimuny of quite a number who have attemp:ed it, have failed to master it, and have taken up another system. One must have extruordinary abilities to learn it thoroughly, which the writer of the article most likely possesses.

Isanc and Ben Pitman's and Munson's are the lest systems, they being used by the majonty of shorthand writers. The Graham system, and others, use the groundwork of the old and
standand styles, and add a few hieroglyphics of their own. My advice, as a writer, would be to study Pitman's or Munson's, as they are undoubtedly the best.

American.
The Press and Printers of Paris.
From oar Regular Correapondent.
Paris, France, April 4, 1878.
French newspaper offices differ in many essentixls from those of other countries. The reporters are the editors, as each has the separate charge of a department - his specialty; thus there is' a waste of redacteur power, the writers having but little range of ability. Some editors sign their real name, though the law does not now require this formality; others, after announcing the latter, adopt a nom de plume; a few journals are wholly anonymous, while a fourth class, from time to time, adopts the three plans. As 2 rule, the editors-rarely rising from the "case," which is regrettable-are educated in the collegiate sense, but, in general, lack in encyclopzeric knowledge and breadth of view, from ignorance of the world and its publications, outside France. The press here leads to erenthing, and there is bardly a distinguished man but has had printer's ink on his fingers. The editors have a common room for work, innocent. of everything in the way of books, maps, etc.
The French have no taste for weekly papers, they wrould have no patience to reaid them; bence, the journals are chiefly daily, the erening being a little more numerous than the morning iscres; they are furthermore divided into two classes, grand and petit, both four pages, 25x18, and $18 \times 12$ respectively; the former scll at 4,3 , and 2 sous, the latter at 1 . Supplements are frequently issued, and of late the small journals adopt the practice of a regular weekly suppiement. The jourmals appear every day, save the chief fetes. There is no enterprise, in the American or English sense of the word, in the management of French.newspapers, nor is very stale inielligence.ranked as a capital sin. Faults that rould kill a paper elsewhere, pass for spots on the sun in France.
There are 36 journals, per se, published daily in Papris. Printing is now free, and any person depositing the security with the State, and which canties interest, can start a journal. But there frus le a gérant, or manager, legally recoguized
-a man of straw will do -to pay fines and undergo imprisonment. Formerly when Dauphins were condemned to be birched into good morals, a substitute received the blows. Not more than a half a dozen newspapers in Paris pay. The others are supported by party fervor, financial companies, or sectarian enthusiasm.' Bankers, drapery establishments, and manufacturers own journals in which they puff and advertise themselves. There are individuals who have their newspaper, as others have their horses or yacht. The back-bone of a French journal is made up of its political, financial and theatrical articles and its stories or feuillefons the rest is but leather and prunello, almost. A French newspaper is rarely "newsy;" it is witty, personal, and prejudiced; it is a stranger to humor and ignorant of a broad grin.

Le Petit fournal has now 2 daily circulation of 560,000 ,- the largest in the world; it must be a veritable power, since the late government left no means untried to crush it. It is a multum in parwo for a sous; not well written, but marvellously full of news. Its commercial value is estimated at two and a half million fr. Gambetta has 2 large and a small Repuio. lique Praufaise, the latter has 150,000 circulation. The Rappel, representing the Hugo interest, has a circulation of 60,000. It is the only paper that pays its staff by sending cheques regularly every month. The Eienemert is the republican rival of the Figaro, and with more spirit, could be made an excellent property. The Figaro has a total daily circulation of 72,000 ; its annual receipts are 4,600 ,000 fr ; its expenses $3,335,000 \mathrm{fr}$. It pays 2 dividend of So fr. per share. Bad times reduced its advertisements last jear by 20, 000 fr . Its founder and manager, is M. de Villemessant, who, after many ups and downs, has in the paper his big bonanza. His sole aim is to make the Figaro Parisian-and to sell.; it accepts; like Molicre, its bick wherever it can be found. Many of its changes are spurts, rather than innovations. IBefore entering a young ladies' boarding school, it rould not be bad to subject it to quarantinc. Its chief writers are Belgians, Dutch and Germans. De Villemessant is the first proprictor in France that: paid his staff handsomely, and so raised fees. The Iigaro office is a boudoir, and there is an annexe for wall adivertisements and the display of samples of goods. . Le. Pestit Fowreal
intends adopting this system of corridor publicity.
La France, M. de Girardin's paper, had a circulation during the late political crisis of $\mathbf{1 3 0} \mathbf{3}$ 000 ; the old and able publicist hit hard and scolded well, but war being over, peace has brought him no prosperity; he is rich from mines, railways and papers --Lc Pctit Fournal is largely his, but he is parsimonious in expenditure for original articles. He is the father of the penny press, a reform which cost him a duel some 40 years ago, and where he killed his antagonist and brother journalist. The Detats is edited by the cream of French intellect and has great influence in the diplomatic world at home and abroad. Its circulation is 5,000 . The Temps is sedate and caution itself, but plucky. Like the Débats; its foreign correspondence is excellent, and it invests in real specials; its circulation is 22,000 . The other journals are not of much importance, though a few of them have a fair circulation.

Frenchmen are not, but are becoming, and in time will be, an advertising people. Of many flourishing colonies they have yet to learn, if not their names, their whereabouts. They do not comprehend much more than spasmodic advertising, and often take the fourth page of a journal, to convert it into a poster, which, though stereotyped, is paid full price when inserted. Permanent advertisers adopt largely the system of blocks. The French, though an artistic people; display but little of it, and less of ingenuity, in their advertisements. They have great faith in the reclame or puff; here their ingenuity is perfection, and they pay liberally for being allowed to whistle at their ease.

Only 2 few papers, the Sücle, Figaro, Resubb. . lique Frangaise, etc., have printing machines; the other journals send the locked forms to a common printing establishment, to be machined, etc. French printers may be divided into two classes, inferior and superior. After his long apprenticeship, the first thing the young typo does, is to become 2 tramp - to make the tour of France, stopping to share in a spell of work in the chief cities. Returning to Paris, he may be qualified for the superior duties of night-press, or book-work; or he may prefer to vegetate on day piece-work in order to be instantly paid. - Up to midnight the best printers are remunerated at fixed rates; each subsequent hour has an increasing bounty, till tive forms be locked.

- This leads to the strike or greive, limited to Paris, and to the printers of books and periodicals, who are sustained by the newspaper typos. The last tariff of prices was fixed in 1868. Some time ago the printers gave notice, that in March they would expect 68 centimes per thousand ems; the payment per hour to be i4 sous. The average augmentation per day would be about half a franc. The masters say the increase would be twenty per cent. A meeting of the masters apparently acquiesced in the "notice," but another meeting, when the moment of action came, ruled otherwise. The chief leading publishers, supporting printing establishments, hold out, and threaten to employ women, or provincials-familiarly known as "Saracens": the latter, however, join the society men on arriving. The country printers are also preparing to strike to have their tariff- 15 to 20 per cent. inferior-equalized with that of Paris. Printers at work, contribute per day, one sous per franc of wages, as subsistence money for those on strike. The masters are expected to "cave in," as they have a mortal dread of new printhyg establishments cropping up like Cadmus teeth.
Respecting the Exhibition, the attention of masters and men is fixed in advance upon economical machinery: in a word, on three points - the setting and spacing ability of the typesetting machine; the toughened glass type of Messrs. Dumas \&o Montcharmont as to size and sharpness-the firm promises specimens of work side by side with metal type; the employment of steam, gas and compressed air, as motive powers. Of printing machines, Marinoni is on his native heath, and his name is Macgregor. But the vulnerable point with Achilles isprice. Exhibitors of typographical matériels, engines, folding and printing machines, cutters, perforators, types, rollers, inks, etc., etc., will do well to keep steadily in view, that to impress firms, and to catch purchasers, manufacturers must not rely so much upon low prices, as on good articles along with cheap rates.


## From the Celeatial City.

Fredericton, N. B., April 22, i8j8.
For several months past I have been waiting for some correspondent, who is gifted with more of the natural fow of lainguage, than that which I possess, to give you a few items from the "Celestial City," but as I failed to see 2ny at-
tempt from this direction, I will endeavor, by your leave; to enroll myself a correspondent, and submit to you, from time to time, that, which in my estimation, would be of interest to the readers of your inestimable journal.

Printing has been quite lively here during the session of the House, and especially during the past two weeks. As far as I can learn, most of the offices have been working night and daycaused by the printing of the evidence taken before the-investigating committee of the liouse; but, now that the session is over, it will be quite dull for some time.

Thomas Miller, who served his time in the Colonial Farmer office, and who worked on the St: John Necus, and other papers, is now working on the Saz Siac Liörary, New York. Tom returned home for a few days' recreation tie past month, and, after spending a week in our midst, returned to New York to his old post. It must agree with him there, as he is looking very well. He reports business very dull there.
James Colwell, who has been working in the United States for several years past, came home last fall, and has been working on the fizporter ever since. He intends going to Cambricige, Mass., the coming month.
George Johnson, formenly of the Royal Gasttc, has been appointed foreman of tise Ricortio: Mr. Johnson is well known in Fredericton, and, no doubt, will fill his position with credit to himself and his employers.
There is a certain printer in this city, who, when he issues a poster, has the following for an imprint, in bold-face letter :-"" Printed on our new magnificent cylinder power-press." Shoot it!

A company, composed of E. B. Winsiow, J. L. Inches, and Prof. Foster, have bought the type and presses of the Firmtroffice, and issued 2 new paper called the Agric:iturist. Prof. Foster is editor; and Andrew Lipsett, formerly of the Refforter, has control of the mechanical department.
The Colonial Farmer has been issued the past fen weeks from the definct ilcari-Quarters office. The proprietors expect to be back to their old stand in a few days with new type, presses, etc.
Joc Collins, formerly correspondent of the St. John Daily Frreman, is amusing himself by writing a story for the Necu Yore Weckly.

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## A. Iittle Pleasantry.

A lively exchange not having the fear of the "devil" before him, amuses its readers with the following little bit of pleasantry at the expense of the tpio. He is evidently a green'un and not "to the manor born." He says:
"A compositor in an American printing office has very little exercise except with his fingers while plying lis vocation. This gives him gre:ter time to deliberate over those fiendish typographical errors which so delight the writer of the article when he reads the piece in the paper the next morning. A type-setter can have an unlimited amount of fun by making 'calm' read 'clam,' 'best' 'beast' and other little pleasantries of this sort. They do these things better in Japan. The law ordering the removal of the compositor's head for the first offence generally prevents a repetition of the crror, although it greatly decreases the typographical force. However, the Japanese characters, with which the papers in Japan are printed, prevent any indolence on the part of the compositor, and therefore much of his type-twisting talents are not allowed to come into fill play. A font of type comprises 50,000 characters, 3,000 of which are in constant use, and for 2,000 more there are frequent calls, so that it is no wonder that the proof-readers have to be persons of intelligence and high scholarship. The type is disposed about the rooms on racks like those in a reading-room, ard the compositors wander up and down the aisles, setting type and taking exercise at once, and therefore, as a class, they are too much saddened by constant pedestrianism to indulge in typographical gymnastics."

Correspondents are reminded that their real name must accompany every communication. We camot take any notice of letters when the above rule is violated. Items of news are often sent to this office by fricids, no doubt, but they are perfectly uscless to us unless accompanied by the real name of the writer.

John T. Grange, M. P. P., and Mr. William Walker, who travels for the Napanee Mills Paper Manufacturing Company, are authorized to receive subscriptions and advertisements for the Miscellany: Don't forget them.

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## Witten for the Miscellany.

A Canadian Typo's Experience in England.
BY RED INK.
Concluded.
To turn to a more pleasant theme, the "House" supplied excellent porter at one penny per half pint, the potman coming around at 10. $3^{0}$ in the morning, being lunch time, when almost every one partook of refreshments; between $I$ and 2 o'clock, the workingman's dinner hour; and at $70^{\circ} \mathrm{clock}$ in the evening, quite enough for one day, I fancy I hear some advocate of total abstinence remark. A potman from a neighboring " pub" also goes the rounds at the same time. The temperance party patronize a big can of coffee, which was presided over by genial Dick, from across the road.

There is a large kitchen in connection with the office, and those who wish, get their dinners without leaving the premises. The bill of fare is posted up at the door every morning, consisting of three or four kinds of meat, the same of vegetables and pastry. The meat is 5 d. a plate, vegetables Id. each extra, and 2d. per piece of pastry. There are two drawbacks to this system. One, that a tolembly hungry man feels but half satisfied after demolishing his dinner, owing to its size; and the other, that it is generally half cold before it reaches him. Similar fare is to be had at different coffee-houses outside.

At 4 o'clock the "House tea" is brought around in big tin cans, a pint of which is furnished each man per day for the very moderate sum of 6 d . per week. It is of fair quality and serves to wash down the substantial "British Workman" slices of bread and butter supplied by the aforesaid Dick at a half-penny per slice.

Athletic, cricket and literary clubs bear the office name; a sick club is also one of the institutions of the House, as well as a goud library (free); and a bonus is given each year of 5 or 6 per cent. on all wages amounting to $£ 70$ or upwards. Considering the nature of the work, I think it would be fairer to let every one have the benefit of the bonus, whether his wages range to the above amount or under; for it is a physical impossibility for some workmenwhose only fault is being a littie siow - to average 275. per week throughout the year, and those are the men who stand most in need of the bonus.

The newspaper work is a better class of work,
and the "ships" in which they are composed consist of men drafted from other "ships" who have a character for good work and steadiness in their habits. House apprentices, as soon as out of their time, also have the first chances of entering these ships. The wages eamed are from 36 s . to $f^{2}$ Ios.

The sporting element is far more largely represented in the English mechanic than in his brother-chip across the Atlantic. No race is run in any part of England of any consequence on which there is not a "drawing." The following is the modus operanaï:-Say 12 men will club together at 6d. each. Slips, bearing the names of the horses advertised to run, are folded up and placed in a hat. Another set of slips, with the names of the men interested in the "sweep," are placed in another hat. After both being well shaken up, one man takes up a slip and reads the name of a horse, while another takes a slip out of the other hat and calls out the name inscribed thereon, and the horse's name is put down opposite the holder of it. Consequently, when the race is run, the holders of the three lucky horses take the prizes of 3 s ., 25. and Is.

During Christmas week, also, the "sweeps" are very numerous, the prizes consisting of bottles of spirits, tobacco, cigars, etc. Another species of sport serves to pass away the time during dinner hour yclept "skittles." Nine em quads are placed diamond-shape on the stone and shied at with small pieces of metal furniture. Another consists of a diagram, chalked on the stone, and pennies furnish the motive power. They are placed overhanging the end of the stone, and hit a smart tap with the palm of the hand, the design being to place the penny in the highest numbers marked on the diagram. These two mediums of "amusement" seemed to be exceedingly popular, some of the "prints" indulging in them with great gusto week in and week out the year through.

I cull a few extracts from the Composior's Guide, an interesting little pamphlet furnished on application at the rooms of the London Society of Compositors, Racquet Court, Flest street, which may prove useful for future refer-ence:-
"Establishaent Hands.-That members engaged in the establishment (i. C., on time) shall not receive less than 36 s . per week; and if employed on weekly papers not less than the
same sum per week，for which payment they shall not attend any number of hours exceeding nine per day；overtime to be charged－as full hours， and each fraction to be charged as one hour．
＂Casual Engagements．－Members called in to assist in the composition of book work or jobbing，may take a casual engagement for not less than a day on the establishment；but not of a greater length than a fortnight；at the ex－ piration of which they must either be paid on the piece，or，if not discharged then，be entitled to a fortnight＇s notice．＂

There are nearly 400 offices in London recog． nized by the Society，so that the compositor in search of employment has a wide field before him ；but the task is none the less difficult，for all that，in the dull season；for，while I was there，the Society＇s books had from two to three hundred signatures every day，of printers nut of work．A single man，signing the book for a week，is entitled to 6 s ．；a married man 12 s ．A
provincial printer，on arriving in London，and depositing his card，receives 5 s．relief．Should the applicant arrive on Saturday，an additional 1s． 6 d ．is granted．Only one relief to be given in 12 months．The subscription to the Society is 子d．per week，with the following exceptions ： Members 60 years of age and upwards，and un－ able to earn 20s．per week， 3 d．；members under 60 years of age，but who，by reason of chronic infirnity，are unable to earn 20s．per week， 3 d ．One penny per mile is allowed for travelling expenses，while going through the country searching for work．

The following table is an abbreviation of the provincial rate of wages published in the Guiac， and which has been taken principally from the aninual statistics published by the Yrovincial Typographical Association，and is as complete and accurate as it has been found possible to make it．The minimum recognized rate is in all cases made the standard of wases：－

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In Dublin，the rate for overtine on jobbing is jd．extra per hour up to 120 ＇clock，and $6 d$ ．per hour after that time up to 6 o＇clock，a．m．；on neekly news， 3 d．for the first three hours，6d．per hour after．that ；and on dnilies 6 d ．per hour extra．

In Edinburgh，daily news hands receive 40 ． per week of 51 hours；jobbing hands $\mathbf{j o s}$ ．per week of 54 hours．
The＂wayz－goose＂is still an active institu－ tion in England，each office of any size having
its annual excursion and dinner, either at the seaside, or at one of the numerous adjacent pleasure resorts. At one of these "lean-feasts" I had the pleasure of rambling through the grounds and the magnificent picture galleries of old Hampton Court Palace, and of an aftertrip up the Thames in a skiff to a pretty little village, where our "ship" spent three or four hours very pleasantly, at a very moderate cost, too - 5s., I think, which had been collected 6d. per week, before the occasion. Sometime during the winter the "ship" generally gather to dispose of a substantial dinner and pass the time in a "feast of $u n$-reason and a flow of bowl." Song, toast and jest follow each other in rapid succession, the health of "our worthy clicker," of course, being not forgotten, but drank all standing; "for he's a jolly good fellow," with a hip, hip, hip, hurray! and all that. What matter if the aforesaid has 2 temper as gnarled as one of the old oak trees to be seen by looking out of the window, it is the custom, and the boys laugh in their sleeves and applaud none the less loudly the remarks of their spokesman as he dilates on the virtues and amiable qualities of their "respected" chief. And that reminds me to say; ere I drop the subject, that any disparaging remarks I have made, refer to London printers as a class; personally, $I$ found the majority of those with whom I came in contact rery sociable and obliging; men who were ever ready to lend a helping hand in the arduous portion of the work and in making clear to me technicalities peculiar to the English mode of working, and whom I shall always remember with pleasure.
Such, then, is a clumsily-drawn - I am afraid -though truthful picture, of an American typo's life in London. I went, I saw, I am satisfied. Other houses besides Spottiswoode's-Rivingtons' being one-had even a worse reputation for poor work. If any comp. feels a hankering to visit the old country, let me give him a word of advice. Don't let him delude himself with the idea that he can go there and make sufficient to pay expenses and his back trip. If he can not take sufficient stamps with him to put the amount of his return ticket in the bank, as soon as he gets there, he had better "bide a wee," or, perhaps, he will not be able to get back just when he wants to. His lodgings, board, etc., will cost him from 155 . to 20 s. per week, and the food will be a good deal plainer than what
he has been used to. He will have to take his meals in a coffee-house, between which and a New. York restaurant there is a very wide divergence; where they fetch you drinking water in a mug, and where a war-worn pepper box, a salt cellar, the contents of which are of a decidedly uncertain color, and a jaundiced looking mustard pot do duty to half a dozen tables. Restaurants there are in abundance; but they are a "cut above" the aveage British workman, who cannot afford to go above 8d. or 1od. for his dinner. A single man can live better on $\$ 10$ a week in New York - much less in any part of Canada - than on 35s. in London. Fruit and vegetables, that adorn every boarding-house table in America, are either unknown in London or looked upon as luxuries wholly unattainable by the, working classes. The coffee a man is given to drink in the regular run of coffee-houses is something abominable, not meriting the name.
Notwithstanding these little discrepancies, the experience is worth considerable. A man is thus enabled to compare the two styles of working, and the comparison will not be productive of more than one opinion on the subject, by any American comp., I think ; and I do not think he will sigh much for the "fat" sit. he has left behind him in Johnny luull's land. Nevertheless, as time passes on, the unpleasant part of the picture will fade away, and only the scenes of grandeur, the marvels of science, the beauties of art, and the relics of antiquity will remain stereotyped on the tablets of his memory.
London, as is well known, can not be surpassed for all kinds of entertainment. Nowhere else is such ample scope given for the contemplation of life in every conceivable shade and aspect. There is a Petticoat Lane, and a New Cut for the study of low comedy; a Yall Mall and Piccadilly for scenes in high life; a grand old Abbey and a magnificent Cathedral for the serious minded, an Alhambra and a Haymarket for the patrons of "ways that are dark" and the votaries of folly; theatres, whose stages are trod by stars of the world and the sweetest voices in opera are there to charm he that is so inclined. Cheap excursions to all parts of England, Scotland, and Ireland; to France and the continent, are advertised at all times. You can be conveyed to Paris and back for 31s. 6d., and for even less on certain occasions. And no man would reach London without stretching a point and seeing "la belle France," surely. It
was too great a temptation for me; and I consider a viow of the treasures of the Louvre alone worth the visit, setting aside the churches, monuments, public gardens and lively boulevards of Paris. Returning to England, a few shillings will carry you from London, to any point of the compass, to some place famed for present interest or its past history.

Yes, the experience is worth a pile. $I$ find it is, any way. It disabused me of a good many fallacies and opened my eyes:to a good many facts, of which previously I was either in doubt, or blissfully ignorant. It made me draw conclusions that gravitated considerably in favor of this side of the water, chief of which was, that I considered there were many printers in the world in a less en, ible condition, mrofessionally, than those calling America their home.

Something New --A Tiramp Editor,
He took pepper sauce in his. We were sure of it; for we could smell it from the other side of the table. He was short and seedy-looking, and his foot gear wore the usual signals of distress. His-red side-whiskers were a lighter but not a brighter red than his face; his whole physiognomy was rubicund. He rubbed his hands with pleasure as he steadied himself against the "bank" and exclaimed in a soft voice: "Well, it gives me pleasure to find myself among the gentlemen of the press; I feel like a fish in the water again."
"You are a printer ?" we asked.
"No; editorial!" was the dignified response.
We stared, and then we smiled. We had scen tramp printers, tramp hatters, tramp shoemakers, tramp almost everything, as well as tramps absolute; but never before had a tramp editor introduced himself.

He went on : "I came to D__ with recommendations to - ; but there being no opening there, Mr. Q—_advised me to look further West in the interior. Are you in need of any assistance in that line $?^{\prime \prime}$

We gently exp!ained to the deluded individual how it would be as reasonable to expect that the proprietor of a peanut stand would employ 2 twelve hundred dollar book-keeper, as that the publisher of a country newspaper would hire an editor. The idea! when a good pair of scissors can be purchased for forty cents, and paid for in advertising.

A thought struck us: "Can you write greenback editorials?" we asked.
"Oh, certainly;" was the reply.
"Then, perhops, we can direct you to a job. A greenback paper has just been started here, and they need an editor. They need some one who can write an editorial that a common, ordinary individual can find head or tail to ; something that can be understood without an interpreter. They are going to beat us at the election next Monday, too, and you would have a chance at some glorification editorials. We shoukd go and apply for the situation by all means. Dish 'em up lively, and then we will send 'em back to you, and we can have some fine, exciting times."

We looked up from the work on which we were engaged, and he was gone! We understand somebody afterward gave lim a pass over the narrow gauge to Lawion.-Pazu Paw Free Press and Courior.

A first-class bookbinder, one who can finish, would do well in Napanee, Ont. There is a good upening there, and the printing offices would give a good man every encouragenent. Napanee is the county town of Lenmox and Addington. Who speaks first?

A dollar bill (either U. S. or Canadian currency) enclosed in an envelope with a registration stamp on it (costing two cents in Canada), and addressed to this office will secure the Miscallany for one year. Try it.

The foremen of printing offices are respectfully asked to canvass their offices for subscriptions to the Miscellany. Send for specimen copies and show them to all hands, not forgetting the boys.

An editor, speaking of spiritualism, says:"We don't believe in any medium except the circulating medium, and that has become so scarce that our faith in it is shaky."

A good commission will be paid to any person who will undertake to thoroughly canvass any town or city for subscribers to the Afiscellany.

Canvassers are wanted for the Miscellany in every city and town in the Dominion of Canada, United States and Great Britain.

## "The Ship went over."

Two typos stood on the quarter-deck of a brig as she glided rapidly down Boston harbor, bound to St. John. No. I was rather tall, slim and pale, and appeared to be a little suspicious of his fellow passengers. As the vessel approached the mouth of the harbor, it began to labor and toss up and down pretty lively. The captain noticed that No. 1 felt the motion of the vessel keenly, and, although there was a stiff breeze blowing from the northwest, he resolved to clap on a little more sail, as he had a bet (which he won) in regard to the time he would occupy in the trip. While looking at and talk. ing with No. 1, he suddenly gave the order to "shake out the foretopgallant-sail." No. I looked at him in amazement, as he supposed the order was addressed to him. "Be lively," added the captain.
"See here, cap'n," replied the passenger, "I'm no sailor. I have paid my passage, and had I supposed you would make a fellow work, I'd have taken passage on a ship where there was no climbing."
"Guess you're hungry and want something to eat," replied the captain laughingly, as he noticed the condition of his passenger. "I was talking to those fellows forward, my crew. Pshaw! I would'nt send you up there; you're weak; you haven't got strength enough at the present time to climb a clothes-pole.
" I Iere, steward, is a hungry man. Get supper ready before we reach the Cape and darkness sets in upon us. It will be getting rough and I'm afraid this gentleman's appetite won't be worth much in a little while."

The steward laughed and hurried away to carry out liee order, and before reaching the Cape the captain took his friend by the arm and led him down into the cabin, although he protested he wasn't "a bit hungry."

The effo:t to seat him at the table proved fruitless, but his friend, No. 2, soon persuaded him to take a cup of tea and a piece of bread and butter.

Suddenly there was the sound as of a collision between cup and saucer and the cabin floor, and ere the rest of the passengers could comprehend the meaning of the noise, the skipper had No. I by the coat collar and seat of his pants and was rushing him up through the com-panion-way, exclaiming as he did so: "Do you want to make all hands sick ?"

The passengers resumed their seats, and went on finishing up the supper, while No. I, with head over the rail, was paying tribute to Neptune.

Again there was a loud crash in the cabin, and every passenger at the table was on his feet in an instant, supposing that something had been carried away, as the wind had increased to almost a gale.

Casting their eyes upon the cabin floor they were astonished at seeing the unfortunate typo stretched out at full length.
" What in heaven's name, have you been trying to do!" asked the skipper, addressing the prostrate man.
"'Tisn't my fault, cap'n. The ship went over and I came down."

The answer was given with so much simplicity that a general shout went up from those assem. bled in the cabin, while the crew worked their way aft to see what was going on.

There were thirteen passengers, including one lady, and just two staterooms and three berths to accommodate them and the officers of the brig. Into one of the berths the wounded man was helped, where he remained three days.

Sunday morning came out bright and clear, with a warm southwest breeze, and all hands turned-to in knocking the ice off the ropes and blocks so that the vessel could enter the Bay of Fundy; for thus far the trip had been 2 bitter cold one, as it was in the month of January. Directly there went up a shout, and looking around, the sick man was discovered on deck, smiling as he only knew how to smile. He addressed his travelling companion good naturedly, and asked the captain about what time he thought he would reach the harbor. Finding that, if the wind held fair, the vessel would drop anchor that evening, he took No. 2 aside and remarked :
"You'll never catch me down this way again. D-n Boston. 'Tisn't such a deuce of a place 25 they make it out to be. I say, I had a bad fall the other day, when I landed in the cabin. Berths are pretty-scarce, but they don't fool me out of a place to sleep. I can fool this crowd every time. But you don't catch me down here again." Saying which he got a stick and went to work, with the others.

Entering the harbor about one o'clock that night, the captain proposed that all hands should take hold and help work the vessel up the har-
bor. No. I was jubilant over the request, and suggested an immediate departure from the cabin. For two tacks across the harbor, he pulled at the brace and shouted, "Ye, ho!" like an old sailor, but at the third tack he was missing. Mistrusting something wrong, No. 2, stepped aft to the cabin, where he found him on his knees, with his head under his berth, hoisting the steward's raisins into his pockets with nary a shout of, "Ye, ho !"
Reaching in his hand and taking him by the ear, No. 2 asked what he was doing there.
"For God's sake keep quiet. I'm looking for my slippers. S-h ! the lady passenger will hear you. Keep quiet," he whispered, "nice raisins in here."
Dropping anchor, all returned to the cabin, where No. 1 insisted upon having himself and trunk put ashore at once; but No. 2, tipping the wink to the captain, asked if their trunks would not have to be examined by the customs officers, to which the skipper replied they would. Here was an unexpected trouble, and No. I appeared terribly anxious about the matter.

After having all the fun he wanted the captain consented to a landing being made at daylight, but as the hatches would not be opened until the vessel reached the North Wharf, it was agreed that the skipper should help him out of this scrape, as he had a few contraband articles (or at least he thought he had) in his trunk.

As the vessel approached her dock later in the morning, the skipper noticed his passenger and a dray, and every few seconds he might have been seen casting an anxious look up the wharf to see if any of the officers were coming down.

The hatches were opened, and it was a caution the way that trunk was rushed up to the dray, and the teamster ordered to go along as quick as he could. Then the passenger stepped on board to thank the captain for his kindness, and as he did so, he remarked: "Cap'n, Boston is a h-ll of a place. You don't catch me there again. And as for these Custom House officers, it takes me to fool them. Good bye."

The last time I heard from this traveller he was "lieutenant-sargent" of the Pisarinco Fencibles, and it was generally supposed that in the event of hostilities being commenced between that place and the Isle of Wright, he would take possession of and hold "Mahogany" Island.

## A. Wrong-Font Oyster.

Scene in a South-side oyster house.-A certain well known printer (whom we shall designate as Footstick), slightly intoxicated, is seated at a table perusing the bill of fare.

Footstick-"I say (hic) waiter!"
Waiter (approaching quickly)-." Yes, sir."
Footstick-" Gimme some oysters. Stewed oysters (hic) ; and don't be all night about it."

Waiter departs. In preparing the stew a few clams accidentally got mixed with the oysters, and without waiting to remove them the waiter (thinking Footstick too drunk to observe the mistake) returns and deposits the dish before him. A few mouthfuls are consumed, when the man of types cautiously begins reeling about the soup with his spoon, and presently brings forth a clam.
Footstick (wildly)-"Waiter!"
Waiter (returning)-" Yes, sir."
Footstick--" What did I order ?"
Waiter-"Oyster stew, sir."
Footstick-"Oyster stew! That's so. Jes' ye look at that! (holding up a clam). My friend, here's worong-font oyster; or (hic) the proof lies."-7rojan Observer.

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## A Freaman Against His Will.

One of the most singular of the characters who haunt the Tombs is a man named Alexander Campbell, who is briefly called "Shorty." Campbell is a printer my trade, and was committed ten days for intoxication about six months ago. Before he had been confined for a day he became so charmed with his new life that he determined never to leave the prison if he could help it. No list is kept of the prisoners in the "ten-day house," it being supposed that they leep an account of their imprisonment themselves. So every morning one of the keepers goes into the ten-day house and asks if any one's term is up. Campbell never answered to the call of the keeper and ronsequently was not discharged. In course of time he was employed in the kitchen, which pleased him more than ever with prison life. Unfortunately for him it was discovered one day that his term had expired more than a month previous, and he was forced to leave. His sorrow was very great until he conceived the idea of getting himself committed as a vagrant, which he did, and thus recovered his old position in the kitchen. Five months or so after this he was again obliged to leave the prison. Then he tried to get himself committed for a second term as a vagrant, but to his horror the magistrate refused to send him to prison. For some time he was very unhay?y, but eventually obtained admittance by crawling under the prison van, and cooked for th: ; prisoners in a state of bliss until recently, wher for a third time he was forced to be a freemain and a citizen.-World.

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Josh Billings says he don't care how mucn a man talks if he says it in a few words. Good idea for those who write to newspapers.

Spring is upon us, and the young man's fancy will te lightly somersaulting toward thoughts of love just as soon as he can shake nis ulster and his influenza.

Most anyone would rather be shot with a rifle than be talked to death by a smooth bore. If you can't see the perfume of that "mild witticism," why just musket.

At a printer's festival the following was given : "The editor and lawyer - the devil is satisfied with the copy of the former, but requires the original of the latter."

The Canadians don't want the Queen to appoint a new man for the Governor-General's chair. They propose to ask her to keep the present Dufferin. Ahem!

Contributors will take notice that we have already more spring poetry than we need. What we want is a liniment that is a dead certainty on rhe:matism.-R'ome Sentinct.

A Brockville, Ont., editor ofiers to bet $\$ 50$ thrt he knows more about grammar than a local confrere. The confrere declines the verb to bet - ibat is, he parses.

A farmer was asked why he did not take the newipaper, " lecause," he said, "when my father died he left me a good many newspapers, and I have not read them through yet.

The Indies' National League for the Protection of Indians ought to be called "The Squawlers." We merely say that it was the New York I: thrram man whe said this, and leave him to his fate.

Doctors don't believe in advertising-it's not professional, you know-but let one of 'em tie ap a sore thumb for John Brown, and they'll climb up seven pairs of stairs to have a reporter "just mention it, you know."

The foot on the cradle and the hand on the disiaff is the sign of a gool wife, but we have our doubs about its being a good sign by which to choose a wife, particularly the "foot on the cradle " part of it.

A writer once, in attempting to compliment a certain general as a "battle-scarred veteran,"
was made by the compositor to call him a "battle-scared veteran." In the next issue the mistake was so far corrected as to style him a "bottle-scarred veteran."
March is marching a - but no matter. We swore a solemn oath not to print that round shouldered old joke this year, and must not, can not, and will not violate our dread compact, let the populace howl for it as they may.

When you lear a man railing at a newspaper because it don't suit his peculiar ideas in its treatment of public matters, you can bet your bottom dollar he stole the reading of every copy he ever read. We never knew it to fail yet.

If a man is to be baptized it ought to be done thoroughly. The other day a convert was im. mersed, and when he went home he took with him the minister's pocket-book. If he had been held under water for half an hour this accident would never have occurred.

A Western paper has improved on the original plan, and now says: "No communication will be published in this paper unless accompa. nied by the full name of the writer and a fivedollar bill; these are not requested for publica. tion, but as a guaranty of good faith."

Since weddings are published with "No cards, no cake, nobody's business," affixed, we would suggest that the engagement announcements, which are now appearing in the papers, be supplemented as follows;-"No caller; no company; nobody but Charlie."

The editor of a Western paper is reported to have discovered a bible on his desk the other day. He at once wrote an elaborate review of it, and was very much disappointed when the foreman brought his copy back and told him it was not a new book.

A newspaper clerk some time ago sold fifty papers to a negro, who promised faithfully to pay for them very soon. The other day the clerk encountered and dunned him. "Look here, you freedman, when are you going to pay for those papers?" "Don't trouble me, boy, don't trouble me," replied cuffee, assuming an air of business, and at the same time getting out of the way. "I'se taken cuith the bankrupto"no use to say nuffin more on dat subject."

The editor of a sural newspaper wandered to this city the other day and dropped into a ciurch while the Sunday-school services were in progress. He fell asleep, and woke to find a chiid's paper on his lap. With the true journalistic in. stinct he picked it up, and he had read through a column and a half of assorted Bible texts when the officiating minister lighted on him, and, lay: ing a patronizing hand on his shoulder, inquired how he liked it. "First mate," was the reply, "and I'm glad to see you credit. But where did you strike your exchange list?"

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