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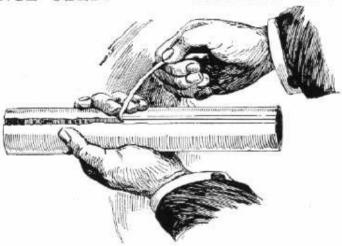
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I T is with very great regret and sorrow that we have to announce the death of the Chairman of our Company, Mr. W. A. Tanner, which took place very suddenly at the Pavilion Hotel, Folkestone, on the morning of Sunday, the 14th June. He went there, apparently in his usual health, on Friday of the previous week, for a three days' holiday, and we little thought, when he bade us a cheery good-bye on leaving, on Thursday, that we should never see him alive again. The sad intelligence was immediately wired to Mr. Garrett and Mr. A. Tanner, who travelled at once to Folkestone, and the whole of the staff was dumbfounded on hearing the distressing news on Monday morning.

The interment took place at Caterham on June 18th, a large number of friends and employees being present to pay their last tribute of respect to one who had been universally beloved and esteemed.

To us who have known him as a friend and partner for so many years, the loss is a very great sorrow. He is also mourned by a large circle of friends, for to know Mr. Tanner was to feel that you had in him a friend in the truest sense of the word. "His cheery good nature, and his ready willingness to be of use to every-body, were features in his character that endeared him to all his friends, both in his private and business life. We have received hundreds of sympathetic letters testifying to his unfailing kindness, cheerfulness, and courtesy, which everyone with whom he had come in contact had experienced during the twenty-five years he had been in the business of R. T. Tanner & Co.

Although of a more or less retiring disposition, he was ever ready to lend a willing hand to any object which aimed towards the amelioration of the sufferings of his fellow creatures, or for the members of the allied trades with which he came into contact. He was a Past Master of the Horners' Company, a Liveryman of the Stationers' Company, the Treasurer of the Vellum Binders' Pension Society, and ever took the keenest interest in Masonic work, being a member of two Lodges. No matter what duty he undertook, it was done with a whole-heartedness and with an enthusiasm that carried everything before it.

Mr. W. A. Tanner was the eldest son of the founder of the business, and was educated at Cheltenham College. He entered

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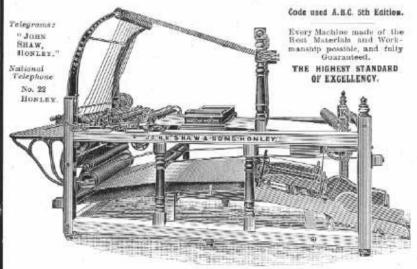
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the firm when about seventeen years of age, and on attaining his majority became a partner. Since that time he has taken the keenest interest in everything appertaining to the business.

His thoughtfulness for others, and his methodical and precise manner of conducting all his affairs, either public or private, is clearly shewn in his will, in which he has so disposed of his estate for the benefit of his widow and three children that the whole of his financial interest in the Company remains absolutely undisturbed, and as his executors are Mr. Frank Garrett, and his brother, Mr. A. Tanner, who are Directors of R. T. Tanner & Co., Ltd., there will be no break in the continuity of the business.



THE seventy-fifth Annual Report of the Booksellers' Provident Institution states that the total receipts for last year amounted to £2,400 17s. 4d., which is an increase of £75 over the preceding year, while the expenditure was £1,68± 10s. 2d. which is an increase of about £120 over 1906.

According to the National Lithographer, a new process of lithographic printing is attracting the attention of the trade in Brooklyn, U.S.A. It is known as the "Direct" process, and consists of taking a piece of copy of any kind and laying it down on a piece of zinc plate that has been treated with a sensitised solution, and afterwards exposing it to the action of the light. The plate is then cleaned, but the impression of the work remains, and in this form it can be used in the same way as a lithographic transfer. The secret of the process lies in the solution used for coating the plates.

A National Exhibition, promoted and organised by printing machinery and material manufacturers, will be held in Paris this month. It opens on the 20th inst., and will remain open for a fortnight.

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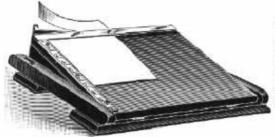
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In connection with the census of 1904, the Home Office has recently issued the non-textile return. The total number of persons engaged in letterpress and litho printing was 135,437; in bookbinding and machine ruling, 44,910; paper making, 34,419, and other allied trades, 50,746.

The committee of the Bookbinders' Pension and Asylum Society are making a special appeal for funds in order that the Institution may be placed on a sounder financial basis. £10,000 is urgently required, and of this amount about £2,000 has already been promised. \*

The Printers' Register gives particulars of what they term "a little comedy," which has reached them from Leeds. It appears that the heads of a big firm there were not pleased with so many orders passing them for which they had estimated. There must be something wrong with the figures of their clerk. So when a chance came for quoting for a job of a hundred thousand run, the "young guv'nor" took it in hand. The price was sent in, and when followed up it was found that the firm were "hopelessly out of it." The estimate clerk then quietly put the inquiry to his chief, had he been successful, and was told the result. "I only asked," he said "because I looked over your estimate and found you had not reckoned the cost of the paper!" The "young guv'nor" now leaves the quoting to the clerk. But the incident shows what some printers must be working for.

On October 1st next, the penny postage rate to the United States of America will come into force. This is a boon which must appeal to almost every man of business. The Postmaster-General is also negotiating with the Colonies and Dependencies for the purpose of establishing an universal C.O.D. system. As is now well-known this system prevails, as from June 1st, between the United Kingdom, and Egypt, Malta, Cyprus, and British Post-Offices at Constantinople, Tangiers and elsewhere.

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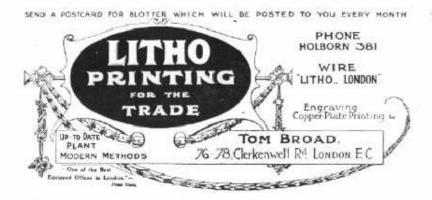
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We would draw our friends' especial attention to the fact that our warehouses will be closed on Saturday, July 4th, owing to the annual beanfeast. The men, this year, will spend the day at Rye House.

It is with the deepest gratification we are able to announce that the large edition of 150,000 copies of *Printer's Pie* has been sold out by the publishers. Indeed, additional orders are being received from the trade, which it is unfortunately impossible for the publishers to execute. His Majesty the King has graciously accepted a copy of the current issue.

Professor Knudsen claims to have set up type on the linotype by means of wireless telegraphy, and states that it is quite within the bounds of possibility for an operator to work the keyboard in London and set the type in Paris.

"Of the making of books there is no end," but the three folio volumes containing reproductions of Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan's collection of pictures must in every way be an edition de luxe. They are described as among the most handsome books ever produced in England. The edition is naturally very limited, and, according to the Daily Chronicle, it is estimated that £20,000 is probably not far short of their cost. The paper is hand-made; the plates came from three leading firms in London, Berlin and Munich; the three-colour frontispieces are by Goupil, of Paris; the printing has been done by Messrs. Bradbury, Agnew & Co., and the binding by Zaehnsdorf. The arrangement of the plates, etc., has been left to Messrs. Thomas Agnew & Sons.



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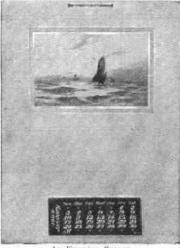
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## Compulsory Trade Continuation Schools for Printers in Munich.

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R. KERSCHENSTEINER recently delivered an interesting address on the above subject before a meeting of the Edinburgh Master Printers and Overseers. He states that attendance at the continuation school for printers is compulsory on all printers' and compositors' apprentices for the whole duration of their apprenticeship, provided they are not more than eighteen years of age. All employers are bound to afford their apprentices time to attend classes during the day. The school course lasts for four years, the same time as the articles of apprenticeship. The annual session lasts forty weeks, in each of which nine hours of instruction are given. The time of instruction is either from 8 a.m. to noon, or from 2 to 7 p.m. The school has three workshops-one for compositors, with sixteen cases; two for printers, with a hand press, a machine for ordinary work, and another for illustration work. The equipment of these workshops has been presented by firms, or purchased by the Munich Printers' Association, or paid for out of communal funds, the Association being required to provide the raw material. Instruction in composing and printing is given by skilled journeymen, who are engaged to give their whole time to the work. One is in charge of the printing, and the other of the composing room. Their salaries commence at £160 per annum and rise to £270, with right to pension on retirement. The instruction is chiefly of a practicaltechnical nature. All display work is first considered and worked out in the drawing school, and drafted with reference to spacing and copy. This instruction is given by an artist. The school has been in existence for two years, and at the present time is attended by 220 apprentices and sixty journeymen. In two years' time they expect to have 320 apprentices and 100 journeymen enrolled. There is also a school for lithographers in connection with the printers' classes; also schools for bookbinders and photographers, The printers' apprentices have thus an opportunity of making themselves acquainted with the allied trades. The annual cost of the printers' department alone amounts to £1,100, of which on half is contributed by the Treasury, and the other by the town.





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The boys are compelled to attend school till they are fourteen. The apprenticeship in the printing trade is four years, and the apprentices must pass an examination before they are qualified as journeymen. Continuing, Dr. Kerschensteiner said that the German boy, from his natural bent, is more fond of work than of amusement. There is no football or golf in Munich, there being no Saturday afternoon holiday.

Trade catalogues, price lists, and other advertising matter sent to Australia are again dutiable at the rate of 6d. per lb., or 35 per cent. ad val., whichever is the higher.

Mr. T. Poulter, of Messrs. T. Poulter & Sons, Ltd., wholesale stationers, left estate of the gross value of £16,326, with net personality, £11,559. Mr. W. R. Horncastle, advertisement agent, left estate valued at £20,810.

The Sixty-ninth Anniversary Festival of the Newsvendors' Institution, will be held at De Keyser's Hotel, on November 16th, under the presidency of Mr. C. Awdry, a partner in the firm of Messrs. W. H. Smith & Son.

It would seem as if the Continental method of advertising is to become prevalent in this country. We refer to the advertising pillars such as are to be seen in Berlin, Vienna and other towns in Germany and Austria. We have frequently wondered what charge was made for advertising on these columns, which are built at the edge of the payement in the principal thoroughfares. Some light is thrown on the subject by our contemporary Advertising. The writer says that in Berlin the privilege of erecting and using these advertising columns is awarded by the city to the highest bidder. According to the terms of the lease now in force, the city receives an annual rental of about £19,000, but cannot grant a similar privilege to anyone else. The life of the lease is ten years. The price which the successful bidder may charge for space is regulated by the Berlin authorities. All posters before they are put up must be approved by the police. The advertising space is generally awarded according to the order of application. The city reserves the right to demand the posting of its notices free. The Barking Borough Council has just agreed to the erection of fifteen of these columns in its streets by Messrs. Hudson & Co.

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The new British Patent Law is said to be seriously injuring German interests, and an extension of the time limit is to be asked for. Many German patentees are abandoning their English rights, whilst others, as already stated in our pages, are erecting factories in this country with all speed. According to the Morgenpost, a group of dye factories has bad to invest £200,000 in building new works here, and it is stated that up to the present, in consequence of the new law, no less than twenty-five million pounds sterling of foreign capital has been invested in Great Britain.

Not long ago an American stationer gave a traveller an order for 5,000 fountain pens, but countermanded the order within a few moments. On being asked the reason, the stationer said he took this step because the traveller booked his order in lead pencil. It is a case again of the restaurant manager being out, having gone to lunch.

At the fortieth annual gathering of the employés of Messrs. W. and R. Chambers, the seventy-fifth anniversary of the birth of *Chambers' Journal* was also celebrated. To celebrate his twentieth year in the editorial chair, Mr. C. E. S. Chambers was presented with an illuminated address by the members of the staff.

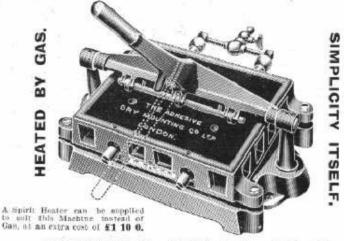
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The London and Provincial Society of Compositors has recently asked its members to ballot on several questions of great importance to the master printer, and in each case the question has been answered in the affirmitive by almost overwhelming majorities. Probably the most important is the decision to ask the London section of the Printing Trades' Federation to seriously take up the question of the 48-hour week. If the Federation does not make a move, the compositors have already decided that their own society shall take the necessary steps to make the 48-hour week compulsory. The hours for night workers are to be reduced to eleven per night, with a maximum of sixty hours per week, and for overtime the employers must pay 6d, per hour extra for the first three hours, instead of 31d., and 9d, per hour for the remaining five hours. If these demands are insisted upon, it will cause an upheaval in the trade such as has not been experienced before for many a long day. Speaking at the Annual Dinner of the Newport Printing and Kindred Trades' Federation, Mr. G. D. Kelley, M.P. for South-West Manchester, said that the trade had a very important movement on foot-they were going in for an eight-hour day or forty-eight hours a week. Personally, he would have preferred to go in for a fifty-hour week, for at present they worked fifty-four hours, and to ask the employers to bring the total down to fortyeight hours was rather a big jump. This, we believe, will be the opinion of the majority of master printers. It is announced that the chief motive for the compositors' demands is the determination to lessen unemployment in their ranks, but the success of the American compositors in gaining this end has, no doubt, had considerable influence with the London Society. The decisions, however, are of the greatest importance to employers, and it is

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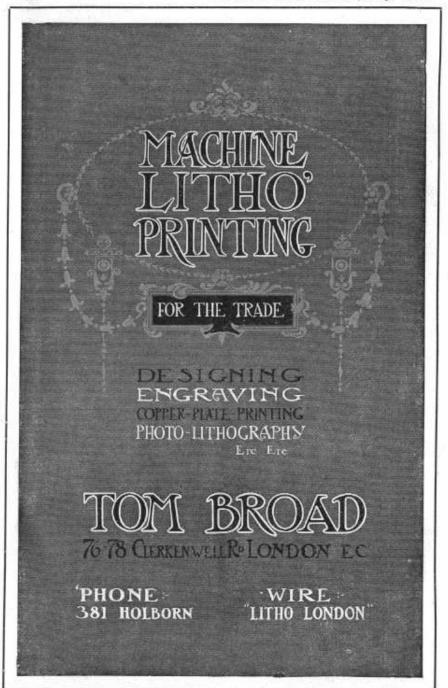
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advisable, as the Sales & Wants Advertiser says, to prepare themselves for possible serious eventualities.

During the past month there has been a lull in trade, with the result that the Society of Compositors has had an unusual number of members on the idle list, at all events, for this time of year. The same state of affairs seems to prevail also in the United States, for it is stated that in New York alone there are 120,000 trade-union men out of work, and about 200,000 non-union men.

A prolonged discussion, says The Printer's Register, took place at the last annual general meeting of the Bar, held in the Old Hall at Lincoln's Inn, on the question as to whether barristers should be allowed to answer legal questions in newspapers and periodicals for ordinary journalistic remuneration. In the end the matter was referred back to the Bar Council for further consideration. The Attorney-General, SirWilliam Robson, referred to the subject as "the burning question of the hour," and pointed out that the Bar Council had much better opportunities of considering the question than a general meeting. This subject has frequently been before the Bar Council, and last December the Council decided that barristers should be allowed to accept journalistic rates, provided that their names did not appear, although in the previous July the Council had passed a resolution to the contrary effect.

The Official Secrets Bill is causing a considerable amount of comment amongst journalists. The Council of the Institute of Journalists has passed a resolution protesting against the Bill on the ground that its operative clauses are too wide and indefinite. and that in endeavouring to secure the laudable object of protecting the real secrets of the State, and inflicting due punishment upon those who betray them out of malice or through carelessness, the Bill exposes the journalists of this country to such rigorous and far-reaching proceedings as are calculated to limit the freedom of the Press to an extent not conducive to the public interest. At the annual meeting of the Newspaper Society another resolution was passed to the effect that while of the opinion that reasonable measures should be taken for the better control of State secrets and the publication of official plans and documents, the Society considers that the Government's Official Secrets Bill, as drafted, is far too drastic in character, being a menace to the freedom of the Press and to the individual liberty of those connected with the publication of a newspaper.



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