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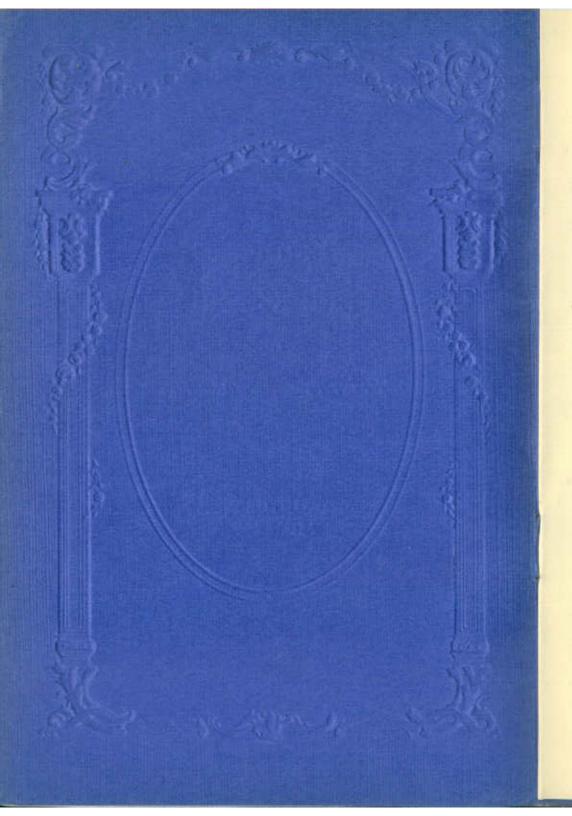
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HE Select Committee of the House of Commons dealing with the Celluloid Bills decided that the preamble of the L.C.C. and Glasgow Bills was proved, and then proceeded to discuss clauses. The opposition of the London Chamber of Commerce, relative to celluloid articles, proved effective, for the Committee decided that they must not be brought within the purview of the Act. The Bill does, however, affect the printing trade to a certain extent, especially those members of it who manufacture Christmas cards and showcards in which celluloid is used. According to the Bill, "Celluloid Stores" means any premises upon which, for the purpose of sale, hire or profit, celluloid which has not been subjected to any process of manufacture, is kept or stored in quantities, at any one time, exceeding in the aggregate 112 lbs. in weight. "Celluloid Factory" means any premises upon which, for the purpose of sale, hire or profit, any process of manufacture is carried on involving the moulding, cutting, perforating or filing of celluloid, The Act comes into force on April 1st, 1915, and it is requisite for every Celluloid Store to be registered, the fee for which is not to exceed ten shillings and sixpence. The Council can make bye-laws, and the regulations required will be sent to the occupier of the premises, and he, in turn, has to communicate the Council's demands to the landlord, and see that they are carried out. If the landlord feels aggrieved with the expense put upon him, he can apply to the Court, and the Court may make such order concerning the expenses or their apportionment amongst the persons interested in the building, as it appears to the Court to be just and equitable in the circumstances of the case. Any person breaking the bye-laws, or failing to comply with the provisions of the Act, is liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding £20, and to a further penalty of £10 for each day on which the offence continues, after conviction thereof. Any person aggrieved by the action of the Council may appeal to a Metropolitan Police Magistrate, and any person aggrieved by any decision of a Magistrate, may appeal therefrom to the Court of Quarter Sessions.

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News in Brief

Ta meeting of the exhibitors at the recent Printing Exhibition the following resolution was unanimously carried: "That experience having proved, and the trade generally being of the opinion, that an interval of four years is best calculated to ensure the success of exhibitions connected with the Printing and Allied Trades, and Mr. Bridges having intimated his intention of promoting and organizing another exhibition on similar lines to that which has just closed, this meeting endorses the recommendation of the Hon. Advisory Council that the next exhibition be held at the Royal Agricultural Hall in 1918, under the promotion and organisation of Mr. F. W. Bridges, and agrees to support same."

The will of Mr. A. W. Miller, for forty-years keeper of printed books in the British Museum, shews an estate valued at £6,193; that of Mr. G. H. Turner, wholesale stationer of Great Windmill Street, at £71,110 gross, with net personalty of £19,862; that of Mr. F. W. Bottrill, printer, Lutterworth, at £7,877 gross, and that of Mr. C. H. Ashley, part-proprietor of The Sportsman, at £160,165.

Mr. T. P. O'Connor, M.P., has severed his connection with T.P.'s. Weekly, which he inaugurated about twelve years ago. We understand that the Honourable Member will commence a new paper, which will make its appearance some time in October.

Under the Presidency of the Master of the Stationers' Company, a meeting was recently held in London to take steps for the formation of a Livery Club. It was thought that such a club would encourage social and literary intercourse and good fellowship amongst liverymen in the city, and that the proposal was practical, economical and timely.

The Board of Trade Journal has issued particulars relative to Copyright Laws in Jamaica. It is proposed under the new law that copies made out of the island of any work in which copyright subsists which if made in the island would infringe copyright, and as to which the owner of the copyright gives notice in writing by himself or his agent to the Collector-General that he is desirous that such copies should not be imported into this island, shall not be so imported, and shall, subject to certain prescribed provisions, be deemed to be articles absolutely prohibited to be imported within the meaning of the Customs Consolidated Law, 1877, and any Law amending the same or incorporated therewith. A similar Law operates in Grenada.

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says the Printers' Register, when the Registrar at the City of London Court delayed a case, and sent the documents to Somerset House for the Inland Revenue Authorities to say if the order should have been stamped. These gentlemen decided in the negative, but said that inasmuch as payment was to be made in advance, a stamp fee of 5s. was payable. The Registrar thereupon said that he had given up trying to understand the Stamp Act. Our contemporary points out that in this case, Mr. Registrar Wild was acting as Judge in the case, and it is for the Judge, and not for the Authorities at Somerset House, to decide whether a contract requires a stamp, and consequently, he had no right to refer that matter to the Revenue of Commissioners.

An idea of the size of the International Exposition of the Graphic Arts at Leipzig, Germany, may be obtained from the statement that eighty buildings and pavilions are required to house the exhibits and other attractions and to provide for executive and administrative offices. Most of the great nations are represented officially by separate buildings housing their individual exhibits; the other important nations have exhibits grouped in buildings set aside for the purpose. There is only one country playing a large part in the printing world that is conspicuous by its absence-the United States of America. The nations, in addition to Germany, that have separate buildings, are England, Russia, France, Italy and Austria. Nations that have officially taken space though not individually occupying the whole buildings are Portugal, Switzerland, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Belgium, Spain, China, Turkey, and Siam. The Exposition is held under the auspices of the German Bookcraft Association, of which Dr. Ludwig Volkmann is president, and he is consequently president also of the Exposition. Dr. Volkmann, by the time it closes, will have given practically three years of labor to the enterprise, a service for which the graphic arts of Germany, and indeed of the whole world, are greatly indebted to him.



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Practical Notes

TRADE ABUSES

SIDE from varying prices, says the Printing Art, which the boards of trade and the cost system movement are doing much to correct, perhaps as great an evil as any other in the industry is the credit abuse. Due to the lax credit and collection methods of many printers, customers seem to frequently gain the idea that a printer's charge is one that can either be ignored or taken care of after all other bills are paid.

Rush work is another abuse that takes away much of the printer's profit is not fair to other customers, and with its strain and overtime

demoralizes the organisation of a printing office.

While the dummy evil does not affect every printer, it is one that imposes a severe tax on many establishments. When an important booklet or catalogue is in the market it is not unusual for the various dummies submitted to cost more than the price at which the work is sold.

Another evil, an inheritance from the days of typesetting by hand, is the selling of composition at the same price per 1,000 ems regardless of the measure, leading, point size, or width of face. With clear copy, a wide measure, and a broad 6-point face on an 8-point body, it is possible for a composing machine operator to average 6,000 to 8,000 ems per hour. When confronted with bad copy, a thin 12-point face on the same size body, and a narrow measure, despite every effort, this same operator may find it impossible to average more than 3,000 or 4,000 ems per hour. Is it not absurd to sell these two kinds of composition at the same price per thousand ems? Either the six-point matter is sold at an excessive price and an injustice done the customer, or the twelve-point matter is sold too low and the printer suffers an injustice.

Since the introduction of composing machines bad copy has become an acute evil, augmented by the fact that the printer can seldom, if ever, make an additional charge for its composition. To most customers and printers also, it must be admitted—all copy looks alike, and its degree of legibility is not thought an important factor when estimating

the cost of its composition.

The relation of the weight of paper to its price affords a good example of the application of one of these customs. This was brought home in a very striking way when a paper-maker declined an order for several car-loads of thirty-five pound super-calendered book, the reason being that the paper-maker could see no reason for selling thin sheets, which cost considerably more to produce, for the same price per pound as heavier stock.

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Other paper trade customs sanction additional charges for packing, for wrapping and sealing in packages, for coated papers of any shade other than white or light natural, for trimming paper, for special sizes and weights of less than a certain amount, for orders less than a full

package, and for other reasons.

By referring to a paper jobber's price list any printer can study these trade customs in detail. And if he will check over his paper bills he will find they are very strictly enforced. The purpose of these customs is to place all buyers, whether they be jobbers or consumers, on an equal basis. It must be obvious that if one customer can buy light-weight paper at the same price per pound as heavier stock, then the manufacturer must increase the price of some other item to compensate for the loss. If a customer asks that paper of special size or weight be sold him at the price of a standard size or weight the extra cost thus entailed must come out of the pocket of some one, and it is more likely to be the buyer than the manufacturer. That these trade customs be adhered to is therefore as much to the interest of the buyers as it is to the seller.

It has been possible for paper manufacturers to enforce these trade customs, not only because they are fair and just, but because in this field there is absent to a great extent that distrust and suspicion which so characterises many employing printers. There is needed in the printing industry the cultivation of a spirit of mutual helpfulness and trust such as animates paper manufacturers in their dealings with each other. The various organisations in the trade are doing much to bring this about, and considering the great advancement made in the past five years it is not too much to hope that the time will soon arrive when printers will have a code of ethics or trade customs for use in dealing with their customers and themselves that will be as fair and as just, and as rigidly enforced, as those in the paper trade.

When that time arrives the customer who pays his bills promptly will not be penalised to take care of the buyers who ignores or refuses

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What Others are Doing »

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The girls employed at the various printing works in Aberdeen, held a meeting recently at which they formed themselves into a Trade Union.

The Amalgamated Society of Engineers and the London Society of Compositors have each declined to invest £5,000 in the Daily Citizen.

The Papermakers' Union is advocating that all mill workers should cease work at 12 o'clock on Saturdays, and if any are employed after that time, the wages should be at the rate of time and a half, and for Sunday work, double time should be paid.

The Annual Report of Kelly's Directories, Ltd., shows a profit of £54,080, which, with the amount brought forward from last year, makes a total of £71,114 for appropriation. A dividend at the rate of to per cent, per annum was declared, together with a bonus of 21/3 per cent. on the ordinary shares. £5,000 was placed to reserve, and £20,423 was carried forward. The Directors of the Yorkshire Evening News were able to recommend a dividend of 15 per cent., which is just double that of last year. It was announced at the meeting that the cost of operating the private telegraph wire between the Leeds and London Offices, amounted to £2,532 for the year. The net profit for the year of Associated Newspapers, Ltd., amounts to £163,171. A dividend at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum was declared on the deferred shares, with a bonus of 1s. per share.

The Pall Mall Magazine has been acquired by the American Syndicate controlled by Mr. W. R. Hearst, and will, after this month, cease to exist as a separate publication, being amalgamated with Nash's Magazine.

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The crusade against vulgar postcards still continues, with the result that many towns are appointing Censorship Committees to deal with the matter.

The Printers' Association of Germany represents over fifty per cent. of the printing establishments in the fatherland, the membership running to something like 5,000 in number. The Association has issued a booklet of some 100 pages, in the form of a tariff, which sets forth the regulations that are to control all matters pertaining to the printers' trade.

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