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The art of printing by machinery hasa advanced with very rapid .ass; during the . lase twenty vars, so quickly, indeed, that the variety of machines at present in
use is scarcely known even to printers engineers. But this only applies to the printing press de apartment, or that division of the the paper after they have been put ogether into pages and locked
n iron frame termed a chase,
Strange to say, notwithstanding Strange to say, notwithstanding printing off of the "formes" of type he art of the compositor--the ma
tho puts, the type together-has
cen left where it was about two centuries ago. But this has not risen either from oversight o om a belief that the art had a Lived at perfection, hut from ti
innumerable difficulties which at ended the application of machin cry to composing. For fifty year f inventors, notwithstanding their partial success, mainly of late, bepartial success, mainly of late, b
cause the advantage gained b machinery over men was too sta pay for repairs and retain a de of the machine.
The earliest of these machines as that produced by Dr. Church just fifty years ago, the latest be fore the general public was that 1872) w he he dd by strangers to the art of.print in was constantly getting out of order. In next years' Exhibition however, we will find mode favor with master printers than its ore ecessors, as it is .constructed not easily be deranged, or if deranged by'a vied, can be put in order in a few seconds. The maThis machine is the invention of . Hooker, a compositor and self. taught mechanic, who has had con ing of type setting and distribut ing machines, ind consequently has lid a capital opportunity of test ing their value and observing the defects. Besides the above the in enter is now constructing its si out which the art of composing he time of our visit, this machin was so little advanced that w could not test its value or detect its defects.
ing machine can b man-but the inventor us that it is most economically worked by three men and a boy, who ca produce work equal to twelve com ore, which we believe is in th imit of its power, as we tested the peed and worked it ourselves The inventor has been over ten ears working out hiss ideas, and has during that time twice aband. ned a partly, completed machine or improved ones on a new primciple. He has studied every Eng-
lish patent, and lias done wisely cosh patent, and has done wisictiag a perfect machine in stead of patenting a model, which can never show whether an inventon can be pecuniary successful or to the newspaper and reading publie, w
Iron.

The Horses Slick Again.
A remarkable out harmless malady was been noticed for the past three
weeks among the horses of the and street car tines. It has attracted but little attention outside the stables
affected, yet its peculiarities invest it defected, yet its peculiarities invest it with considerable importance. Be
ore its actual appearance the horse in many stables sonic affection. Loss of appetite, langor and general debility were the characteristics. The arimals at first
refused to eat. They soon became swollen about the eyes, from which ter or corruption. The eyes in som cases become entirely. closed and in-
famed to a large size. This was fol flamed to a large size. This was fol-
owed by the swelling of the legs and wed by the swelling of the legs and
heath. Such animals exhibited signs of stupor and weakness. - Horsemen and' owners of stage lines entertain no serious apprehensions, as
here has not been so far a single faIn case.
In the stables of the Second and Third Avenue car lines many of the
horses have been more or less affected. The disease was general among the horses of the Fourth avenue and
Fifth avenue stage lines. At the Fourth avenue stables it was learned
last evening that the disease has al last evening that the disease has al-
ways been know a among horsemen as the "pink eye," the probable cause of ing changeable weather. The mode
freatment is to take away the feed or a day or two and let the animals rest. In three or four days at mo
the animals are ready for work. medicine is given except in bad cases
when a "foyer ball" is given as a stimulant. Under this treatment not single animal has been lost out of
the 700 belonging to the Fourth avene stage line.
4 bout half th
About half the 2,000 horses of the third avenue stables have been affect-
ed, but with no fatal result. They were treated homeopathically with
sulphur, anconite, and belladonna, no outward applications being made.
The majority of the Second avenue The majority of the Second avenue
railroad horses were also affected. The hon copopathic treatment restored It was understood that many of th horses of the Fifth avenue stage line are totally disabled, and that heavy mortality has resulted. The west
side car lines are generally exempt from the
vary 17 .
It isn't best to always call things by their right names. A young palmation hound and dog. d by his fiancee that if he could not refrain from profanity in her presence they must henceforth be strangers.
An idle young man was compaining to a prosperous friend that, although he had tried his luck in all sorts of fairs and lotteries, he had never been able to draw anything. "Indeed," said his friend. "Well, suppose you try a and cart? Yon can draw that."
The cruelest young female is the girl the Wisconsin country paper telling how she sheared thirteen heep in five hours "the other day," and now, of course, those thirteen
innocent sheep are left in this innocent sheep are left in
weather without overcoats.
An Irishman, newly engaged
presented to his master one morn ing a pair of boots, the leg of one which was much longer than the
other. "How comes it, you rascal hat same length?" - "I really don't know, sir; but what bothers me
most is that the pair are in the same fix."
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Men of the time.-Clironometer A legal tender.- A lawyer minding his baby.
The best substitute for coal.Warm weather.
A boarding

## Is taking a hack the first sta de

 f consumption?What has a cat that nothing Is has? Kittens.
A bad egg is not a choice egg, but is hard to beat.
Robt \& Steel is the suggestive name of a firm in Chicago.
Felt slippers.--Those felt by children in their rude young days. An English lecturer says there no American Punch. Isn't there, though?
No one will be surprised that a New York daily has A-shantee All the
al mad. There hasn't been gohooting affray for a month.
The feelings of Mr e Eng when Mr. Chang died, we should pro-
"Feathers and noise," is the ead-line over an article in a Butale paper about a poultry show. The Government has ordered a
Parrot front the East Indies. He Parrot t from the East Indies. He an admiral in the navy.
Dakota has been doing sums and finds that she has only three
eighths of a white man to an acre of ground.
Hartford, Conn., thinks the name of New Haven, should be written "new haven,"

St. Louis's wickedest man has died'and gone to Chicago. His ueccssor will be selected by com titive examination
A New York paper speaks of he grand display of "aerial too lets" at a ball in that
that a flight of fancy?
Young lady (at the postoffice) -"If I don't get a fetter by this mail, I want to know what he was doing Sunday, thai's all."
Mrs. Southworth has done a novel for every State in the Union,
nd now proposes to do one for each Territory before she dies.
There is a man at the Kittery Navy Yard who has whistled coninuously for nine years, and why
somebody has not killed him is mystery.
"Mono-pocts" is the new name r persons who write but one bit the kind of poet that sends pieces the papers.
Mayor Medill writes from Paris that nobody in that city drinks water that can possibly avoid doing so. Hence a Chicago man eels perfectly at home.
" 0 , George, your sister is a nice girl, but she does dress her head up so." "Yes," said George; "but it is the fashion; there's nothing in you know.
Museatine, Iowa, has the boss potatoes. It is twenty-nne inches
long, thirteen in circumference, has more eyes than Argus.

