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It affords me pleasure in informing my friends, that I am prepared to give all business entrusted to me efficient and personal attention. I have a wharf for Naval Stores, with ample accommodations for Spirit House, and Warehouse. Consignments of Naval Stores for sale or shipment; and all kinds of country produce solicited. Cash advanced on consignments.  
April 18, 1850. 15

#### ALEX. MACRAE, JR.

IMPORTER OF CHINA, GLASS, AND EARTHENWARE,  
and wholesale and retail dealer in all kinds of FARMING IMPLEMENTS,  
South Side of Market St.  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
November 9, 1850. 102

#### J. M. ROBINSON,

IMPORTER AND DEALER IN HARDWARE, IRON,  
STOVES, NAILS, &c., &c.,  
Front street, 3 doors South of Market street,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
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#### T. SOUTHWAYD & CO.,

ENGINEERS, BLACKSMITHS, BRASS, AND IRON FOUNDERS.  
All orders in the line will be punctually attended to.  
CORNER MULBERRY & NORTH WATER STS.  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
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#### WILLIAM M. HARRISS,

GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANT  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
STRICT attention given to procuring Freight and purchasing Cargoes for vessels.  
Refer to Messrs. DeRosset & Brown,  
Messrs. Ballard & Huntington,  
Messrs. Tooker, Smyth & Co.,  
Messrs. Thompson & Hunter,  
Messrs. Williams & Hunter,  
Messrs. Hall, Esq.,  
Messrs. Taylor, Esq.,  
Messrs. Bullard, Esq.,  
Messrs. Ballard & Huntington,  
Messrs. Tooker, Smyth & Co.,  
Alex. H. Herron, Jr.,  
Messrs. Williams & Hunter,  
H. F. Baker, Esq.,  
Jan. 2, 1851. 123-1f.

#### WILKINSON & ESLER,

CASH DEALERS IN FOREIGN FRUIT, NAILS, FANCY ARTICLES, PERfumery, TOBACCO, &c., &c.,  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL,  
MARKET STREET,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
Nov. 30, 1850. 30-1f

#### JOSEPH R. BLOSSOM,

General Commission and Forwarding Merchant.  
Prompt personal attention given to Consignments for agents or Shippers, and liberal cash advances made on Consignments to agents or Shippers.  
Wilmington, Jan. 10, 1851. 135-1f

### BUSINESS CARDS.

#### GEO. HARRISS,

General Commission Merchant,  
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Messrs. Hall, Esq.,  
Messrs. Taylor, Esq.,  
Messrs. Bullard, Esq.,  
Messrs. Ballard & Huntington,  
Messrs. Tooker, Smyth & Co.,  
Alex. H. Herron, Jr.,  
Messrs. Williams & Hunter,  
H. F. Baker, Esq.,  
Jan. 2, 1851. 123-1f.

#### ANDERSON & LATIMER,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,  
SOUTH WATER STREET,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
Sep. 27, 1850. 82-ly-c.

#### LIFE INSURANCE.

THE MUTUAL BENEFIT LIFE INSURANCE CO.,  
H. H. H. continues to take Risks on Lives on fair terms.  
SURPLUS OVER 1,000,000.  
JOSEPH R. BLOSSOM, Agent.  
Dec. 12, 1850. 93-1f.

#### MARTIN & CRONLY,

AUCTIONEERS,  
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,  
AND GENERAL AGENTS.  
Wilmington, N. C., Oct. 3, 1850. 55-1f.

#### JOSEPH H. FLANNER,

General Commission Merchant,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
Oct. 9th, 1850. 87-ly-c.

#### WILLIAM NEFF,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN SHIP CHANDLERY, SHIP STORES AND GROCERIES,  
CORNER OF MARKET & FIFTH STREETS,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
Dec. 7th 1850

#### DEROSSET & BROWN,

WILMINGTON, N. C.  
BROWN & DEROSSET,  
NEW YORK.  
GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS,  
March 17, 1851.

#### GEO. H. KELLY,

COMMISSION MERCHANT.  
Next door to A. A. Vaucler's, on North Water street will attend to the sale of all kinds of Country Produce, such as Corn, Peas, Meat, Bacon, Lard, &c., and will keep constantly on hand a full supply of Groceries, &c.  
References.  
Willes Hall, of Wayne, John McRae, Wilmington, W. Caraway, Gen. Alex. McRae, E. P. Hull, Wilmington, Wiley A. Walker, Dec. 13, 1850. 115-ly.

#### SAVAGE & MEARES,

GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS AND AUCTIONEERS,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
EDWARD SAVAGE. GASTON MEARES. May 2, 1850. 1

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General Commission Merchants,  
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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS IN Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Paints, Oil, Dye Stuffs, Glass, Perfumery, Cigars, Old Liquors, Fancy Articles, &c., &c.,  
MARKET STREET,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
Prescriptions carefully compounded by experienced persons.  
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#### MARINE INSURANCE.

THE undersigned having received the Agency of the AUGUSTA INSURANCE AND BANKING COMPANY OF AUGUSTA GA.,  
Will issue Policies on Vessels, Cargoes, Freight &c at reasonable rates of Premiums as any other institution of the kind in the Country. The Capital of this Company is \$375,000.  
Wilmington, Aug. 18, 1850. H. NUTT. 66-ly.

#### J. C. LATTA,

COMMISSION MERCHANT,  
AND GENERAL AGENT,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
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General Commission Merchants,  
BALTIMORE.  
Will receive and advance on Consignments, and pay particular attention to filling orders for produce, &c.  
Refer to Messrs. DeRosset & Brown.  
March 13, 1851. 153-3m p.

#### WEST & HEWLETT,

Auctioneers, Commission Merchants AND GENERAL AGENTS.  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
Refer to Messrs. Tooker, Smyth & Co.,  
Messrs. Ballard & Huntington,  
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Messrs. Thompson & Hunter,  
Messrs. Williams & Hunter,  
Messrs. Hall, Esq.,  
Messrs. Taylor, Esq.,  
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Messrs. Tooker, Smyth & Co.,  
Alex. H. Herron, Jr.,  
Messrs. Williams & Hunter,  
H. F. Baker, Esq.,  
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(Late Barry, Bryant & Adams)  
COMMISSION MERCHANT  
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#### COACH MAKING.

COACH-MAKING, JOBBING AND REPAIRING.  
Horse-shoeing, &c. done with neatness and dispatch.  
Corner of Third and Princess Street: opposite Nixon's Livery Stable.  
N. S. NEALE.  
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#### J. D. McRAE & Co.

General Commission Merchants,  
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Particular attention paid to procuring freights and purchasing cargoes for vessels.  
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Messrs. Thompson & Hunter,  
Messrs. Williams & Hunter,  
Messrs. Hall, Esq.,  
Messrs. Taylor, Esq.,  
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Messrs. Ballard & Huntington,  
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Alex. H. Herron, Jr.,  
Messrs. Williams & Hunter,  
H. F. Baker, Esq.,  
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#### T. C. WORTH,

Commission and Forwarding Merchant,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
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#### WM. ALLSTON GOURDIN,

FACTOR,  
No. 4 East-Bay Charleston South Carolina,  
IS PREPARED TO RECEIVE LIBERAL ADVANCES ON CONSIGNMENTS OF  
RICE, COTTON, COGNAC, SUGAR, FLOUR,  
GRAIN, HAY, &c.  
References.  
GOURDIN, MATTHIASSEN & Co.,  
GROUSE & HOPLEY,  
ALONZO J. WHITE,  
TANDY VALKEN, Esq.,  
Charleston S. C.  
Greenville S. C.  
May 21, 1850. 29-ly-c.

#### J. HATHAWAY & SON,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,  
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#### GEO. MYERS,

Wholesale and Retail Grocer,  
KEEPS CONSTANTLY ON HAND  
Wines, Teas, Liquors, Provision, Wood and Willow Ware, Fruit, Confectionaries, &c. &c.  
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Commission Merchant and Ship Broker,  
WILMINGTON, N. C.  
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#### W. G. BROWNE,

PORTRAIT AND MINIATURE PAINTER,  
REQUESTS persons who wish to have Portraits painted, or to view his collection of Paintings, to visit his Gallery in the Masonic Hall, between the hours of 9 and 5 o'clock.  
April 5. 9-1f

#### WINES AND LIQUORS.

12 BASKETS very superior high flavored Champagne Wine;  
12 boxes Claret, Madeira, Port, Malmsay, &c. for sale, by  
April. HOWARD & PEDEN. 7.

#### A CIRCULAR.

We the undersigned beg leave to inform the Ladies and gentlemen of Wilmington and its vicinity, that our Spring and Summer Stock of Goods are now open for inspection: consisting of the latest styles of FANCY DRESS GOODS, directly imported from European markets. The greatest variety of SILKS, SCARFS, EMBROIDERIES, LACES, JEWELRY, HAT-BANDS, CAMBRICKS, &c. &c. too numerous to mention. We do not hesitate in saying that our Stock is equal to any other in the southern market, in the selection, as well as in prices. We would further add, that one of our firm is continually in the European markets, thus enabling us to have always on hand the latest fashions which may appear. We therefore most earnestly solicit a call before purchasing elsewhere. We tender our sincere thanks for your kind and liberal patronage heretofore, and hope you will continue the same. N. B. Gentlemen's stock of ready Made Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps, are equal to the above.  
H. & J. MAYER. April 24. 17.

#### SUPERIOR SCOTCH SNUFF.

1,000 LBS. in 1 and 2 oz. papers, for sale by  
WILKINSON & ESLER.  
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### PORTRAIT PAINTING.

MASSALON, Portrait Painter, would respectfully inform the citizens of Wilmington and the surrounding country, that he has permanently located himself in this place, and will be happy to receive the patronage of any ladies or gentlemen who may wish to procure faithful likenesses of themselves or any member of their family. He flatters himself, from his long experience in the art, that he will be enabled to give satisfaction. His rooms at Mr. Love's Furniture Establishment, Front Street, Wilmington, N. C.  
April 5, 1851. 9-ly.

### STOVES AND GRATES.

JUST RECEIVED  
Large Supply of  
SHIP PARLOR,  
CHURCH,  
AND OFFICE  
STOVES!  
of the BEST and  
most approved  
PATTERNS.  
wholesale & retail.  
ALSO,  
an assortment of

GRATES & FURNACES,  
Solar, Camphine, Fluid,  
and Oil Lamps, plain and  
Japanese Ware, Steam  
Dishes, Coffee Urns, Biscuits,  
Ten Trays, Walkers,  
Platforms and other Scales,  
and a variety of other articles  
too numerous to mention.  
Oct. 10. POLLEY & HART. 89

### DEEDS FOR SALE.

Warranted Deeds, and Deeds for Mortgage and first printed, in correct form and for sale at the Commercial Office.

### SPORTSMEN, ATTENTION!

JUST RECEIVED a large assortment of Single and Double barrel, Bird, Duck and Deer Guns, of the finest finish and latest style, made by those celebrated makers CHAMBER & SONS, and others of known celebrity. Guns of all weights and calibre, also Powder Flasks, Shot Pouches, Game Bags, percussion Caps, and in fact the best collection of sportsmen's goods ever offered in this market. Gentlemen please call and examine.  
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### BILLS OF LADING, &c.

FOLIO POST BILLS OF LADING bound in Books, and sheets, also Letter Sheets—with variety of mercantile blanks, for sale at The Commercial Office.

### LIME! LIME!! LIME!!!

600 BBLs. Lincolnville White Lump; Also calcined Plaster, Plantering Hair, and Fire Brick, Hydraulic Cement; 1000 bbls. Lime &c. for sale by  
J. C. & E. B. WOOD,  
Contractors and Builders.  
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25 BAGS just arrived. For sale by  
March 22. MARTIN & CRONLY. 3.

### FLOUR.

150 BBLs. 40 half bbls. for sale low by  
SAVAGE & MEARES. 5.  
March 27.

### ROBIN STRAINERS.

FROM No. 18 to 100, of a superior quality, for sale by  
MARCH 29. POLLEY & HART. 6.

### FOR SALE.

Good family Carriage, suitable for a Hack, of good and substantial material, will be sold or exchanged for a good Horse. Apply at the Commercial Office July 9. 45.

### NEW SPRING & SUMMER GOODS.

WE have just received the handsomest and most beautiful assortment of fancy Dry Goods that ever was brought to this or any other market. Ladies and Gentlemen are invited to call and examine. Country merchants are particularly invited. Orders will be promptly attended to. We also have on hand a splendid assortment of Spring and Summer Clothing, which we keep entirely up stairs. We have them made up ourselves, and do not want to pay profit to others. We are able to sell them cheaper than any House.  
S. & D. TELLER. 153.  
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### VACCINE! VACCINE!!

FEW Scabs of fresh Vaccine Virus, to be found  
C. DUPRE'S,  
Drug and Chemical Store,  
Market St.,  
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### MESS AND PRIME PORK.

40 BBLs. for sale low by  
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### EDINBURGH ALE.

IN casks of 7 doz pints each, prime quality, for sale  
MARCH 29. ANDERSON & LATIMER. 6-1f

### PORK.

50 BBLs. Mess Pork; 10 do. Lump do. For sale by  
MARCH 27. ANDERSON & LATIMER. 5-1f

### NORTHERN ADVERTISEMENTS.

#### Account Books.

PAPER & STATIONERY ARTICLES.  
FRANCIS & LOUETREL,  
77 Maiden Lane, New York.  
For all kinds of business, Banking, Public Office, County Clerks, acts of books with Printed heading for Lodges, Divisions and others. Hotel Registers, Time Books, Notes, Drafts, Copy Pass and Memorandum Books.  
COPY YOUR LETTERS!  
By the use of Francis' Multifid Letter writer, Letters and copies are written at the same time; the Ink is contained in sheets; the pen never wears out; both expeditious and economical; price \$1, 2, 2.50 and 5.00.  
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If you want good black writing ink use the Croton; it flows freely from the pen and retains its color; also indelible on business copying inks.  
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All sizes and styles of writing Paper at Mill price; Tissue, Colored, Drawing and Perforated Paper, Envelopes, Gold Pens, Note Papers, Scrap Books, Portfolios, Cards, Quills, Wax, Water, Steel Pens, Chessmen; Writing Desks and every variety of Fancy Stationery.  
DIARIES FOR 1851.  
From the full cap size to the smallest pocket edition containing Almanac Time and Interest Tables, a space for memoranda for every day in the year, &c., suitable for business, Professional or Private use. Price 50c 75c, and \$1. Sent by Mail Free. Book Binding executed in any style.  
FRANCIS & LOUETREL,  
Manufacturing Stationers,  
77 Maiden Lane, N. Y.

#### RECEIVED PER A. J. DEROSSET.

20 BARRELS good Mess Pork;  
10 Kegs prime Cashed Butter;  
10 Bags Rice Coffee,  
Sugar in Hds, and barrels, for sale by  
J. HATHAWAY & SON.  
March 1. 148.

#### SASH, BLIND AND DOOR AGENCY.

Formerly conducted by GUY C. HOTCHKISS  
The public are hereby informed, that I have been appointed agent for the sale of Window Sashes, Blinds and Doors, manufactured by the New Haven Co., and an improved to fill orders in the above line. The quality of the work of the New Haven Co. is well known in this market. Builders and all persons in want of the above articles, are requested to send in their orders, and they will be promptly filled. Terms invariably cash on delivery.  
WM. A. GWYER,  
General Agent Commission and Forwarding Merchant.  
April 18. 15

#### PEINE OIL! PINE OIL!

Reduced in Price and improved in Quality.  
PINE OIL of my manufacture can be obtained at the store of Messrs. POLLEY & HART, and will be furnished to customers by my Wagon every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, at the reduced price of Forty Cents per gallon. Warranted superior to any other for sale in this place.  
Oct 17, 1850. A. H. VANBOKKELLEN.

#### CAPE FEAR MARINE RAILWAY AND SHIP CARPENTERING.

THE subscribers having now completed their Marine Railway are prepared to take up Vessels of any size. They pledge themselves that all work done by them shall give satisfaction, both as to charges and workmanship. They have large force employed, which will enable them to perform all work with dispatch. They are also prepared to build any size Vessel from a PILOT BOAT up to a SHIP; and will warrant that their work will compare favorably with any done elsewhere, and upon an reasonable terms. Always on hand a large stock of Timber, &c.  
SAMUEL BERRY & SON.  
Refer to P. K. Dickinson, DeRosset & Brown, Barry, Bryant & Adams, Geo. Myer, J. & D. McRae & Co.,  
Wilmington, N. C.  
June 27, 1850. 45-12m-c.

#### JEWELRY! JEWELRY!!

JUST RECEIVED, from the North, a elegant and extensive assortment of fine Jewelry, Gold and Silver Watches, Clocks, Plated Ware and Musical Boxes, to which we would call the attention of Ladies and citizens of Wilmington and surrounding Country. We will continue to sell goods in the above line at prices that will not fail to merit the continuance of the patronage we have received since our commencement in business, and having now procured a competent assistant, we will in future be able to despatch, at the shortest notice, every description of repairing requisite to adjust and accurately time.—Chronometer, Horizontal, Duplex, Lever, Repeating, and Vertical Watches.  
N. B. Clocks, Jewels, Plated Ware and Musical Boxes, promptly and in a workmanlike manner repaired, and warranted to please by  
A. G. BOWERS & BROTHER,  
(Sign of the Big Watch) Ft. St., Wilmington, N. C.  
Oct. 18, 1850. 100-1f

#### PRINTING INKS.

HUTCHINSON & Co.  
No. 13 Spruce street, New York.  
Wholesale manufacturers of the best  
ENGLISH PRINTING INKS.  
For Steel and Lithographic Printing, and for Fine Book and Job Work, which they warrant to be composed of the purest materials, and to work easily upon all ordinary presses.  
The combinations in these Inks, are such as to give a richness and permanency to work superior to any other Inks now in use. Sold at prices varying from 75 cts. to \$4 per lb., put up in casks, and forwarded to order.  
H. & Co. also manufacture colored Inks of every shade and quality, varying from \$1 to \$25 per lb.  
March 27. 4-2m

### THE BUSINESS OF A DAILY PAPER.

A review of a work entitled "Johnson's England" has been published in Fraser's Magazine from which we make the annexed extract: Few people are aware of the immense labor required in the getting-up of a daily newspaper. The excerpt we present gives a very fair idea of it:—  
Among the few things that have been written about in these days without much exaggeration, the London daily newspaper takes a first place. The establishment, engaged in a morning daily paper is enormous, and the expense proportionate. Suppose any one wished to set up a new morning paper in London, according to the present scale of public expectation in such matters, his first task should be to provide himself with at least £50,000; in order to try the experiment. And with the exception of setting up an Italian open house, there are perhaps few speculations which would afford more rapid opportunities of losing that sum, or perhaps as much more, I shall take a momentary glance—I know it must be a very imperfect one—at the personnel of such an establishment.  
First comes the business manager, who makes the engagements—gives orders to the cashier—answers letters on business—concludes arrangements with correspondents—confers with the editor, and does a thousand things besides; all connected, directly or indirectly, with finance. On pressing occasions he must have an assistant.  
Then comes the editor-in-chief, who rules over all political and literary communications, deciding whether they shall descend to the waste-paper basket, or be exalted to the printing-office. If he have not a quick eye and a ready brain for picking the mystery out of a MS., heaven help him! He must have at least two assistants, one to look over and arrange foreign communications, the other to attend to country affairs and the provincial press. These editorial functionaries begin their work about the time that fashionable people finish their dinners. The writers of the articles called editorial or leading articles dwell, heaven knows where.—They have no locus standi or sedes in the house where the newspaper is put together. Their communications reach the chief editor under seal, and he looks at them and passes them on to the printer, or keeps them back.  
If parliament be sitting, there must be at least from twelve to twenty reporters of parliamentary speeches, of whom only one works at once in each house. He takes notes for three-quarters of an hour, another takes his place, and he then comes to the office and writes out or extends his notes, the printer's devil sweeping away slip after slip as it is ready for the compositor. Frequently from two to three hours are occupied in writing out from the notes of three-quarters of an hour.  
Besides the parliamentary reporters, there are some eight or ten in the various courts of justice; and, after all, the mass of miscellaneous reporting is done by outlying newspaper providers, who watch for anything likely to be of public interest, and writing out several copies of their brief history, carry it to the different newspaper offices, where, if it be used, it will certainly be paid for at so much per line when the account is sent in at the end of the week.  
In the printing-office are from forty to sixty compositors, and sometimes more, toiling with amazing quickness of hand and eye at their work throughout the long night.  
About four o'clock in the morning a number of columns of type are put together within an iron frame, and firmly screwed and wedged into their position, with much noise of mallets. Away goes the huge frame to the press-room below. It is the first side or "form" of the paper, and then begins the clack of the engine, and the whirl of the rolling press; the impressions are taken off. Meanwhile the work still goes on above, preparing the "inside," or newest news of the paper. Until four o'clock in the morning messengers and expresses are coming with bundles from this place or that—some public meeting in the provinces, which the reporters have written out as they came up in the railway carriage, with special engine paid for by the establishment—some route at the West End, of which the "fashionable reporter" has just finished the embellishments—some dreamy member's notes upon his own speech spoken three hours before.

But let us again glance at the establishment necessary for all this. We have mentioned managers, editors, writers, reporters, compositors. All these have attendants carrying backwards and forwards the copy, the "proof," the "revise," and so on. Then come the pressmen, and engine men, and attendant boys. Then the publisher's office with his attendants. Besides all these, there is a department for receiving and registering advertisements, a cashier's department, and a book-keeper's department, with their various clerks. To crown all, there is a correspondent to be employed and paid in every part of the world from which intelligence of public interest occasionally arrives.  
Upon the whole, it is a very wonderful work that clock-like regularity all this goes on, and how sure the Londoner, or any one on a line of railway within sixty miles of London, is to have the "morning paper" with his early breakfast, if he choose to order them conveying to him the latest news that has come from every part of the world.