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In the office of a Wisconsin journal there is a compositor who sets type so fast that the friction of his movements melts the lead in his stick, thus making all the type solid stereotype plates. To prevent this his case is submerged in water, yet the rapidity of his motions keeps the water boiling and bubbling, so that eggs have been frequently boiled in the spacebox. Pipes lead from the bottom of his case to the boiler-room \$678

ANCIENT AND MODERN BINDINGS

The old theory of a book was, that if it were good enough to print it was good enough to bind, so as to preserve it permanently to be read over and over again. But since no book is sufficiently dry, nor is the type set on the paper for this purpose, it was necessary to place it in some kind of wrapper to serve a temporary end. The most elementary covering is that paper wrap known and cursed by all purchasers of German and French books—the lightest sewing, the flimsiest cover, so that the book is in rags before it is read through. But the miraculous thing is, that Continental students not only seem willing to endure this, but, whether it is that