

We are gratified at being able to announce that the progress of the alterations and improvements upon the extensive premises of Mr. Lloyd, the Proprietor of this Paper, in Salisbury-square, Fleet-street, is fast approximating to a working point, and that the impediments hitherto complained of, as regards the supply of LLOYD'S WEEKLY LONDON NEWSPAPER, will shortly no longer exist. The improved machines, constructed expressly for the purposes of this Journal by Messrs. Middleton, of Southwark, with the powerful engines, built by Messrs. Howe, of Guildford-street, will, in a few weeks from this time, unite their gigantic efforts in aid of the proprietor's wish to meet the unparalleled demand, by which the paper has been distinguished from its first appearance. As an excuse for the disappointments that have hitherto occurred, with respect to an adequate supply, it can only be necessary to refer to the fact stated in the Parliamentary Return of Stamps issued to the various newspapers in the first three months of the present year, which shows the astonishing result of the first eleven weeks' demand for LLOYD'S WEEKLY LONDON NEWSPAPER, as amounting to 355,000 copies, giving an average circulation, for that period only, of 32,000 per week—a *bona fide* sale, wholly unapproachable by more than one, or, at the most, two, weekly papers in the United Kingdom, if not in the World. The demand for the more respectable and important of our weekly contemporaries, being given by the same return for the quarter of thirteen weeks, as follows:—

	Gross Number.	Weekly Sale.
Sunday Times	260,000	20,000
Bell's Weekly Messenger	208,000	16,000
Weekly Chronicle	205,000	15,769
Examiner	75,000	5,769
Era	59,000	4,538
Observer	30,000	2,307
Atlas	27,000	2,077
Bell's New Weekly Messenger	25,750	1,981

The circulation of the DISPATCH, and of the ILLUSTRATED LONDON NEWSPAPER, appears larger at present than that of LLOYD'S WEEKLY LONDON NEWSPAPER, simply because, as regards the first, we came into the field of acknowledged usefulness with machinery inadequate to supply the demand suddenly created; and, with respect to the other, because the following items from the monthly entry of stamps issued to that paper, puts the fact of a *bona fide* AVERAGE circulation entirely out of the question. Thus, in January, we find 125,500 issued for the *Illustrated London News*. In February, 122,500; but in March, no less than 292,500!—a spring upwards that can only be accounted for by a desire to look well in the gross return of the quarter made up to the 31st of March—and thus we cap our competitors!