

TOUGH TIMES.

One Hundred Men Apply for an Insignificant Job.

An "ad" in last evening's paper called for five men to report near Fifth and Delaware to deliver samples. Applicants were told to call at 8:30 o'clock this morning. Long before that time the sidewalk at the appointed number was black with men, old men and young men, white men and black men, clean men and dirty men, hopeful men and despondent men, men of all sizes, classes, ages and conditions, all anxious to earn a pittance by carrying around little boxes of stove blacking as samples. There were no less than one hundred applicants, among them two young men who have been running country weeklies and are competent to do anything in the printing line, but who can't get work in these good "Cleveland times" and in this era of prosperity the plute press talks about.

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