

Some City Interests.

ST. THOMAS is well supplied with newspapers, perhaps, if quality be taken as a standard, is better equipped than any city of the same size in the Dominion. The JOURNAL is the oldest paper in the city, having been established in 1859, although a paper of the same name existed in 1831, being the first paper ever printed in the then village. The WEEKLY JOURNAL was conducted with vigor and ability from 1859 to 1881 by the late Mr. A. McLauchlin, when it was bought by THE JOURNAL Company, and a daily edition issued. In 1887 Jas. S. Brierley, the present publisher, purchased the whole of the stock held by his fellow-stockholders. From the first the evening edition has been most successful and prosperous, and the vigorous manner in which its circulation has been pushed in the south-western peninsula has contributed not a little to make St. Thomas more widely and more favorably known. The JOURNAL employs daily correspondents in all the large towns in the south-west, and as a result has an out-of-town circulation exceeding one-half of its total circulation, notwithstanding the fact that it goes into a large majority of St. Thomas homes. It is practically the home daily of these thriving towns:—

Aylmer,	Port Stanley,	Tilbury,
Alvinston,	Ridgetown,	Tilsonburg,
Delhi,	Rodney,	West Lorne,
Dutton,	Springfield,	Waterford,
Glencoe,	Simcoe,	

In 1892 THE JOURNAL moved into a new and handsome four-story building, erected for its own use, and generally acknowledged to be the best equipped and arranged structure of the kind in the Province, in a city the size of St. Thomas. The typography of this edition is evidence of the character of the work turned out by THE JOURNAL job department. Advertisers find THE DAILY and WEEKLY JOURNAL the best advertising mediums in the south-west, the daily having a circulation much larger than that of any other paper of its class in Canada, and the weekly being the home paper of the southern counties.

The St. Thomas Times, daily and weekly, is published by Mr. J. Wilkinson, and enjoys a good circulation, being ably conducted in all departments. The Municipal World, an excellent monthly periodical, devoted to the municipal institutions of Ontario, is published by Mr. K. W. McKay, and The Ensign, an insurance journal, is issued for a company by Mr. G. K. Morton.

The Board of Trade.

Manufacturers and others desirous of securing additional information respecting St. Thomas should place themselves in communication with the board of trade of the city, which is composed of the leading business men of St. Thomas. The board is ever on the alert to advance the interests of the community, and its annual reports are valuable for the information they contain regarding the commerce and manufacturing of city and district. The present officers of the board are:—

President—W. H. King.
Vice-president—John Campbell.
Secretary-treasurer—J. W. Stewart.
Council—J. H. Still, R. Potts, J. M. Green, J. Mickleborough, W. H. Murch, P. M. Fraser.
Auditors—S. H. Palmer, W. E. Leonard.

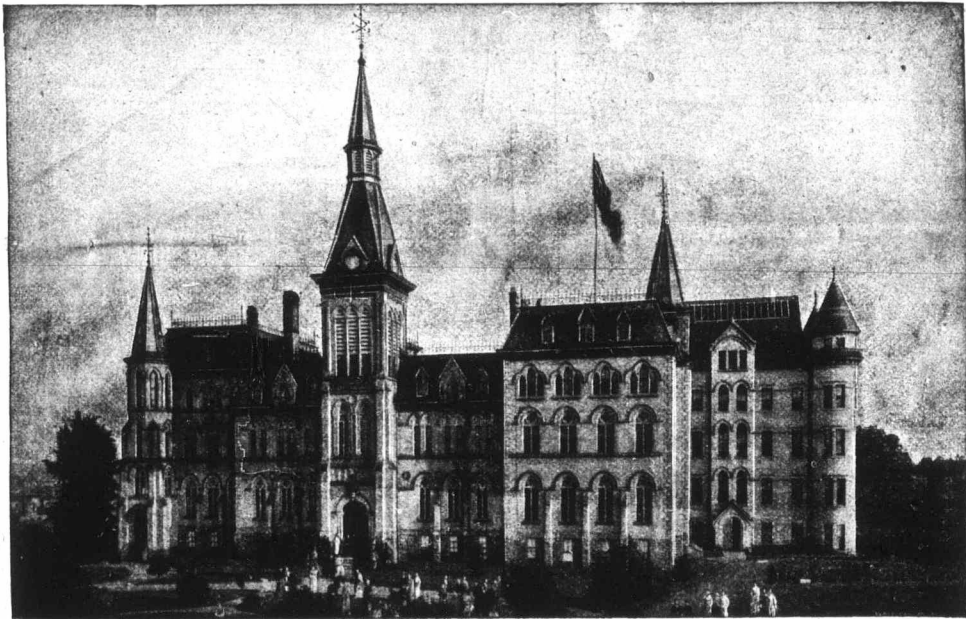
The City Officials.

The officials of the city for 1894 are as follows:—

Mayor—Geo. L. Oill.
Aldermen—Messrs. McCully, Meek, Kindree, Doggett, Murch, Travers, Wallis, Sanders, Hawes, Miner, Chant, Wright.
Clerk and Solicitor—H. F. Ellis.
Treasurer—S. O. Perry.
Engineer—A. W. Campbell.
Police Magistrate—W. J. White.
Police—Jas. Fewings, chief; Wm. Ross, sergeant; constables Armstrong, Palmerston and Smith.
Medical Health Officer—Dr. Van Buskirk.
Chief of Fire Brigade—A. Bowdley.
Sanitary Inspector—W. J. Shaw.
Assessor—J. P. Freck.
Collector—J. C. Ponsford.

ALMA LADIES' COLLEGE.

ANY reference to St. Thomas would be incomplete which did not devote some space to Alma College, which has done so much to advertise the city abroad. As will be seen from the cut which is here presented, it is a building mammoth in its proportions, of four and five stories in height, built of brick and stone in the modern style of architecture. It is equipped with all modern improvements, and having been especially constructed for the purpose to which it is devoted, is admirably adapted to that end. The building is located on McIntyre street, facing Moore, and the surrounding grounds are large and tastefully laid out. It is operated under a charter from the Ontario legislature, and enjoys



J. B. SQUANCE

MR. J. B. SQUANCE, a native of this city of English descent, carries on business as a manufacturer of carriages, buggies, phaetons, busses, delivery wagons, etc., on Elgin street, a few doors from Talbot, where he occupies two large frame structures and gives employment to seven hands. He has been established in business for three years, and has achieved an enviable reputation for the excellence of the quality of work he turns out. He has just about finished an ambulance for the use of the Amasa Wood Hospital which is a credit to him, as it would be to any manufacturer. Mr. Squance uses nothing but the best of materials and employs none but first class workmen. As a result he has a reputation second to none. Personally Mr. Squance is highly popular, and is doing a great deal to maintain the reputation of St. Thomas as a manufacturing centre.

P. R. WILLIAMS & SON

P.R. WILLIAMS & SON, funeral directors, carry on business at No. 442 Talbot street, where they have been established for the past two years. They occupy the whole of the ground floor of the large two-story brick building at the number



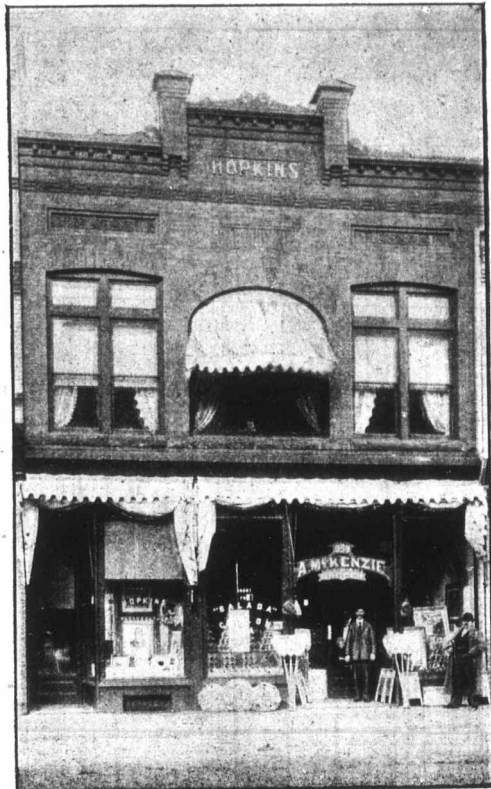
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given, and carry in stock a large quantity of the latest variety of caskets, together with a full supply of funeral furnishings of all kinds. Mr. Williams is an Englishman by birth, a native of Cornwall, but took up his residence in Canada at an early age, and has resided in St. Thomas for the past twenty-two years. During that time he has made a large number of personal friends, with all of whom he is highly esteemed, and regarded as an eminently fitting man to whom to entrust the performance of the last sad offices for the dead. The trade territory of the firm extends over the whole of the county of Elgin and surrounding towns.

extensive legal privileges and corporate powers. Prominent among the features in the management of the institution are its thoroughness and efficiency, and in this line of endeavor the prize system has been abandoned, it being thought better that all should have a thorough education rather than that a few should have a smattering and be "crammed" in special lines. It is also felt that the students should be imbued with the belief that education is a good thing in itself and should not be used to foster feelings of petty pride and vanity. The college authorities avoid sectarianism, yet all the teaching is decidedly and distinctly Christian in its character, and this point is kept in view by the whole staff. The curriculum is broad and modern and embraces everything necessary to turn out a body of cultivated Christian ladies. The practical character of the teaching is attested by the fact that each of the many courses of study for graduation equips a young lady for self-support—should that become necessary. There are many courses for graduation in piano, voice, pipe-organ, violin and other instruments, drawing and painting, elocution, commercial science, as well as the literary courses, leading to M. E. L. and M. L. A. diplomas. In this connection it may also be stated that a large proportion of the graduates thus far are now teaching private ly or in schools and colleges in Canada or United States. The teaching staff is efficient and complete, and embraces specialists in all lines. The whole are under the direction and supervision of the principal, Rev. B. F. Austin, B. D., who has held that position since the opening of the college in 1881. The fees are nominal, considering the advantages offered, being little more than would ordinarily be charged for board. Principal Austin is not a mere pedagogue. He is a thoroughly well-informed man of affairs, and takes an active interest in all that pertains to the welfare of our common country. He is no stranger to the public, and by pen in the press and voice on the platform has shown evidence of his advocacy of that which he believes to make for the right and for human welfare.

J. H. HOPKINS

J.H. HOPKINS, the photographer, who has supplied the photos for this issue, is the oldest established photographer in the county of Elgin, commencing the business with the well-known artist, W. A. Cooper, in 1871, remaining with him



HOPKINS' STUDIO AND MCKENZIE'S GROCERY.

until his removal from St. Thomas, then entering the late Mr. Lindop's employ, and was with him for six years. After that the well-known firm Scott & Hopkins was started, Mr. Hopkins taking full charge of the operating and retouching. About four years ago the firm dissolved, Mr. Hopkins continuing the business, and two years ago Mr. Hopkins erected his present studio, 353 Talbot street, opposite Elgin street, and we must say it is one of the finest photographic studios in the west, and is fitted throughout with the latest and best instruments and accessories to be had, and anyone wanting photos of any kind may expect to get from Mr. Hopkins what we are all after—satisfaction.

A. MCKENZIE

MR. A. MCKENZIE, who carries on business as a dealer in staple and fancy groceries, occupies the whole of the ground floor of the large three-story brick building at No. 357 Talbot street. He has been established in business for the past eight years and has built up a very large trade. He invariably carries an extensive stock of choice groceries, but has laid in a special line to fill the demands for the coming holiday trade, which he always finds very large. Mr. McKenzie is Scotch by birth, and is a shrewd business man.

W. PRECIOUS.

MR. W. PRECIOUS carries on business as a dealer in staple and fancy family groceries, crockery, glassware, etc., at No. 595 Talbot street, where he occupies the entire ground floor and basement of a fine large two-story brick building, 60 x 20 feet in area. Mr. Precious has been established in this line for the past ten years, and has built up a very large trade, having acquired a high reputation for handling only the best quality of goods in his line, and giving full value for the money. Mr. Precious is a Canadian by birth, and has many friends in St. Thomas, where he is quite popular personally with all classes.

F. SUTHERLAND.

MR. F. SUTHERLAND carries on business as a dealer in boots, shoes, trunks, valises, etc., at No. 321 Talbot street where he occupies the whole of the ground floor of a large three-story brick building, 80 x 20 feet in area. Mr. Sutherland has been established in business for the comparatively short space of three years, and in that time has built up a very large trade with the people of St. Thomas and those of the surrounding country. He makes a specialty of the finest class of goods, of which he always keeps a large variety in stock, catering to the better class of trade. Mr. Sutherland is an enterprising, pushing and progressive man, who attends to his business and thoroughly understands it in all its details and branches. Personally he is a highly popular gentleman, both commercially and socially, having a host of friends.



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