

peculiarly a child of his own, and the prosperity that accompanied it always furnished him great interest and delight. He saw the sale of the article rapidly increase, until its production reached the gratifying figure of four thousand annually.

In the year 1877, Washington's birthday was celebrated in the birth of another girl. It bid fair for a good race in life, but, like her first-born brother, her stay among mortals was short, and the spirit took its flight on the 15th of March. But it also had a name; and Georgie Marie, so soon gone, was not forgotten.

About this time, Charles occupied a seat in the village council for one term, and was, perhaps, the youngest candidate ever elected to that office.

In the summer of 1878—two members of their family being absent in Europe—the father and mother made a lengthened visit to Newcastle. Summer was always a busy time, and the presence of the father was made good use of to great advantage. From the time of the incorporation of the Company, however, Mr. H. A. Massey had little or nothing to do with the management of the business more than to give counsel and advice. Charles was continually on hand with some new enterprise in the way of an enlargement or extension of the buildings, or introduction of some new appliance or machine. This went on until quite a considerable pile had been reared; the last of these, a commodious storehouse, with convenient offices, etc., was erected only one year previous to removal. These new plans, before inauguration, were always ably and urgently presented to the father for approval. He could not always at first see the wisdom of the move, but his admiration for the business skill and energy of his son was too much for him to give a negative answer. It is to the credit and honor of Charles to say that scarcely one of these enterprises proved unsuccessful.

In the year 1879, the amount of business done was double that of the first year of the incorporation of the Company. To accomplish this scale of operations in so small a village as Newcastle was accompanied with a vast deal of inconvenience, and to further increase was quite out of the question. Consequently arrangements were made for removal: property was purchased in the City of Toronto, and new buildings erected thereupon, the latter being under the personal supervision of Mr. H. A. Massey. In the fall of this year (1879),