

The Reporter in 1885

Away back in February, 1885, the late Mr. A. W. Kelly received his Reporter at the Farmersville Post Office, and read every word in the eight pages of the issue. Each page was only twelve by fifteen inches, and had been printed on a Washington hand-press. Newspapers were not so plentiful in those days, and were not taken as a matter of course as they are to-day. Bethuel Loverin, founder and editor, had contrived to publish a most interesting resume of the Egyptian War which had just reached the point previous to Herbert Kitchener's expedition; the result of a deputation to Sir John McDonald over the Scott Act question; proposed amendments of High School Law; an instalment of "The Luck of Wale or The Runaway Marriage," by Eng—a Farmersville Boy; besides a column of local news; and numerous advertisements by village merchants.

When we look back through the files of the Reporter, we marvel at the enterprise of the founder. He was not a printer by trade; but the journalistic instinct was there, and in spite of discouragement and tribulations that only publishers of rural weeklies can appreciate, the Farmersville Reporter survived, and when the name of the village changed it continued as the Athens Reporter, chronicling weekly the history of a rural people. There are subscribers who probably have every issue since its inception. The issue of February, 1885, which we mention had been carefully preserved through all these years.

Did You Ever Pause and Think?
(Exchange)

A few days ago a subscriber, who is a well known citizen, came to our office and stopped his paper for the reason, he said that it did not just suit his fancy. We have since met him on the street and it is amusing to note the look of surprise on his face that we are in existence despite the fact that he stopped his paper. Some day and it won't be long either that gentleman will be no more. His heart will be stilled forever. Neighbors and friends will follow his lifeless clay to the silent city and lay him to rest among silent flowers. An obituary will be published in these columns telling what a good neighbor and beloved citizen he was—which the recording angel will overlook for charity's sake—and in a short time he will be forgotten. As he lies out there in the cold, cold graveyard, wrapped in the silent slumber of death, he will never know the last kind word spoken for him was by the editor of the paper which he so spitefully "stopped." Did you ever pause for a moment and think that your editor whoever he may be, will write your obituary some day.

Presbytery Nominates Dr. John Neil, of
Toronto
(Brockville Times)

The Presbytery of Brockville met in the First Presbyterian church, with Moderator Rev. H. Bolingbroke presiding. The following ministers and elders were present: Rev. H. Cameron, Morrisburg; Rev. W. Usher, Athens; Rev. D. B. Currie, Cardinal; Rev. T. P. Corkindale, Chesterville; Rev. H. W. Cliz, Mountain; Rev. D. O. MacArthur, Iroquois; Rev. D. MacLeod, Lyn; Rev. K. W. Barton, Prescott; Rev. J. B. MacLeod, Winchester; Rev. E. Lloyd Morrow and Rev. R. M. Hamilton, Brockville; Mr. Kimball, Cardinal; Mr. Samuel Robinson, Mountain; Mr. Shaver, and Rev. M. Gollan, Morewood; Mr. S. J. Davy, Prescott.

The regular report to be sent to the General Assembly was brought before the Presbytery and discussed.

Dr. John Neil, of Winchester church, Toronto, was nominated as moderator of the General Assembly.

Rev. Mr. McCorkindale gave an excellent paper on "Forms of Presbyterian Worship."

Supper was served by the ladies of the First Presbyterian church.

Athison—Wills

At the Trinity church rectory, Brockville, on Wednesday, March 7, Rev. F. D. Woodcock united in marriage Miss Lena Wills, daughter of Mrs. M. A. Wills, Athens, to Mr. Archie Atchison, of Brownlee, Sask. The bride was very prettily attired in a travelling suit of light blue serge and wore a blue satin faced hat with a black and a white ostrich Boa.

She was attended by her sister, Miss Wills, while her brother, Mr. Wm. Wills assisted the groom. The young couple left for Osgoode and Ottawa and on their return will leave for their home in Brownlee, Sask.

NATIONAL SERVICE
AIDS AIR CORPS

Royal Flying Corps Calls for Thousands of Mechanics—Organization Promoted by Using National Service Data.

The advantage resulting from having filled out a National Service card is again being illustrated by the opportunity now offered through that organization to men who have some knowledge of mechanics.

This is through the decision of the Imperial authorities, to have organized in Canada a series of reserve squadrons of the Royal Flying Corps, for which purpose experienced officers and non-commissioned officers have arrived from the front to make arrangements for the building of flying machines in their entirety in this country.

As fast as these are turned out they will be sent to the different squadron headquarters and aerodromes in the Eastern provinces, where camps will be established, with work and repair shops, etc.

For these camps 8000 mechanics are required, covering twenty different lines of mechanical ability. The National Service organization offered a means of getting in touch with likely men. The cards were gone over to see who might be available and before those of the Province of Ontario were finished 12000 names were sorted out.

The coming week a booklet will be sent to each of these men explaining in full what the Royal Flying Corps of Canada is and what class of men is required, the pay and other needed information, as well as the present and future advantages that will accrue to those who take up this work.

Although the booklets are only being sent as above stated, mechanics from other provinces are just as eligible to engage with the corps and can secure a booklet by writing to the Secretary of the National Service Board, Ottawa.

As the physical and medical standards of the Royal Flying Corps are nothing like as high as that of other units, men can qualify as mechanics who have been rejected for overseas, and such men have now an opening to prove that they are willing to do their share, and the same applies to men who could not enlist for home reasons, etc. The work is not at all heavy or strenuous and there are no long marches with heavy kits to carry. Men are to be engaged for the duration of the war and are needed for ground work only, their duties being to keep the machines in running order and repair and rebuild when necessary. It is a splendid opening for any man of some mechanical skill, not only to acquire knowledge that he can use to benefit his country at the present time, but also to qualify for work in the transportation system of the future. When travel through the air becomes a matter of business, such men will be in great demand at high rates of wages, with not only good but permanent positions, just the same as there have been in the past with all the new industries.

During the time the knowledge is being gained, the rates of pay are not only good, but a full separation allowance is granted to married men the same as given in the Canadian army, while as there is a far larger proportion of officers and non-commissioned officers in the air service than there is in other branches, promotion is rapid for the man who shows himself worthy by his skill and adaptability for the opportunities offered.

For a man with some knowledge of mechanics who is not strong physically and whose health could be improved by an out-door occupation, the Royal Flying Corps will be a blessing in every way, as he not only can build himself up, but at the same time be of great service to his country, at a time when every man is needed.

Death of Mrs. Abigail Knowlton

An old and respected resident of Chantry, in the person of Mrs. Abigail Knowlton, died on Wednesday, March 7, 1917, aged 85 years, 7 months. Her maiden name was Abigail Hawley. She was born in South Mountain. Her husband was the late Mr. S. L. Knowlton.

She bore her long illness with patience and cheerfulness, and her death leaves much sadness in a large circle of friends among whom her quiet and kindly disposition was deeply admired. She was a member of the Baptist church.

Three daughters survive, namely: Mrs. Omer Brown, Delta; Mrs. John Davis, Chantry; Miss Ida Knowlton, at home.

The funeral took place on Friday at 1 o'clock at the family residence, service being conducted by Rev. A. H. Barker of Delta. Interment was made at Philipsville cemetery.

The pall-bearers were: Frank Seed, Sandy Elliott, Chas. Abel, Harry Coon; Richard Trotter, Roy Derbyshire.

OLD NEWSPAPERS

Old newspapers may be obtained at the Reporter Office at 10 a pound. We have some in 25 pound bundles.

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Forms of application may be obtained from any branch in Canada of any chartered bank and at the office of any Assistant Receiver General in Canada.

Subscriptions must be for even hundreds of dollars.

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The issue will be exempt from taxes—including any income tax—imposed in pursuance of legislation enacted by the Parliament of Canada.

The bonds with coupons will be issued in denominations of \$100, \$500, \$1,000. Fully registered bonds without coupons will be issued in denominations of \$1,000, \$5,000 or any authorized multiple of \$5,000.

The bonds will be paid at maturity at par at the office of the Minister of Finance and Receiver General at Ottawa, or at the office of the Assistant Receiver General at Halifax, St. John, Charlottetown, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary or Victoria, or at the Agency of the Bank of Montreal, New York City.

The interest on the fully registered bonds will be paid by cheque, which will be remitted by post. Interest on bonds with coupons will be paid on surrender of coupons. Both cheques and coupons, at the option of the holder, will be payable free of exchange at any branch in Canada of any chartered bank, or at the Agency of the Bank of Montreal, New York City.

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SUBSCRIPTION LISTS WILL CLOSE ON OR BEFORE THE 23rd OF MARCH, 1917.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, OTTAWA, March 12th, 1917.