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OUR cut gives as a fair idea of what Mr. Edward A. Whalen looks like. Mr. Whalen will tell you that he is but eighteen years of age, but we fear his mania for posing as an infant prodigy sometimes leads him from the strict path of veracity. Let this be as it may. Our Associate Editor began stamp collecting at the age of eight, and at nine knew more about the science than he does at present. Since then he has learned a great many things, and also unlearned many. His birth-place was the old historic city of Halifax, and he has pledged his life to the advancement of the city and province. Being on the staff of the *Maritime Grocer and Industrial Advocate*, his opportunities are many. Mr. Whalen is a journalist to the core, having graduated from an American college of journalism some time ago. He faces life complacently and with aplomb, not with over-confidence but yet not with self distrust. Mr. Whalen joined the H. P. M. when its destinies was doubtful, and hopefulness has inspired us and there is now no doubt. At the organization meeting, he was chosen Secretary-Treasurer of the Halifax Philatelic Club, a local society in whose ranks nearly all the active collectors of the city are to be found. His friends are everywhere, and if you ask what's the matter with Neddie, the answer will come promptly and decidedly, "He's all right" While on the subject of his accomplishments, we must not omit to mention that the study of law occupied his attention for two years, and that as an impromptu orator he is in his glory. He has a temperance lecture which he can deliver with local variations to suit any town in Canada, and can argue by the hour in favor of the Conservative policy on the Manitoba School Question. When dealing with this later mix-up, he frequently talks black into white, at least that is my opinion. He upholds the N. P., but those who know him intimately can forgive him this in view of his many good qualities.

A. M. M.

WE regret to learn as we go to press that Miss Beatrice O'Neill, a Halifax daughter of Philately, has left this city and gone to reside in the land of the liberty bird.