greeting of the brave boy and the mother who bore him.

And did not those Canadian boys do nobly?

Where under the sun will be found a more devoted

people, and a more heroic soldiery?

Our boys of yesterday are the men of to-day.

On the graves of those who died fighting for Queen and Country we drop a tear in memory of the manly fellows, and in silent sympathy press the hands of those who were near and dear to them.

"In the days far onward" the names of those who fell shall be as household words, and the youth of the future will be incited to noble self-sacrificing action by the recitations of the deeds of the heroes of '85.

WHEN the history of Canada will be penned by the future historian, no brighter names, no nobler examples of heroism will be found than in the namesakes of our time:

> Williams, of Kars; Williams, of Batoche.

A DISAPPOINTMENT.—We regret to see by the last number of the War News that the Grip Co. have determined not to publish the proposed illustrated paper. They consider that they would not be warranted, at the present time, in taking such a risk as a first-class paper would be. We regret it the more in that in the latest numbers of the War News we see promises of faithful and artistic work that would be creditable to any land.

## H. FRED. SHARP,

President of the Booksellers and Stationers' Association of Ontario, is a Canadian of English parentage, having been born in Woodstock, Ont., on the 16th Sept., 1837. At the age of 13 he left school and home to commence the world for himself. His first situation was as errand boy in the establishment of Mr. John E. Tisdale, then doing a large and successful general business in Woodstock. He remained in this establishment for eight years, working gradually up until he filled the position of head salesman. It was while in Mr. Tisdale's employment he received that thorough business education that fitted him to so successfully conduct his own business in after years. Leaving Mr. Tisdale's employment he was two years head salesman with the late Thos. Oliver, M.P., then doing a large Dry Goods business. In 1860 he started in business for himself at Lakeside, opening out a general store. For four and a half years he carried on the business, but for lack of sufficient capital and the long credit that was given in those days, he was not successful in making any money, so concluded to sell out and return to Woodstock, where he learned the photography business. He then removed to Clinton and worked at photographing for 2½ years, but not having any particular liking for the business sold out and went to St. Mary's, where he bought the "Argus Book Store" from Mr. A. J. Belch. This was 17 years ago, and

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