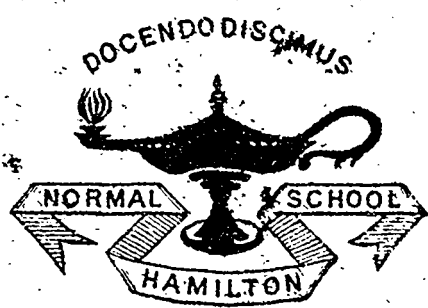


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FOREWORD

This Memorial Tablet has been erected to commemorate, to those who did not know them, the men from the Hamilton Normal School who served in the Great War. Those who did know them need no reminder. Especially we remember those who gave their lives in the service of their country.

The loss of these young lives impresses on those who remain, the need of a whole-hearted service to the country and to humanity. They served in time of war even unto death; we can, at the very least, give our country true service as long as we live.

We cannot help thinking also of a better way of settling the world's troubles than by the horrible test of war, which demands the sacrifice of the best manhood of the world. Let us hope that the loss of the young manhood may lead to better relations among the nations of the world!

F. F. MACPHERSON,
Principal.

"Their Name Liveth for Evermore"



PTE. ROBERT LLOYD ADAMS
of Caistorville, Ont., was a student at the Hamilton Normal School when he enlisted in March, 1916, with the 120th Battalion. In England he was transferred to the 116th Battalion and went with that unit to France. There he served in the capacity of Runner until October 1, 1918, when he was killed at Cambrai.

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LIEUT. GEORGE WALTER CALL

of Galt, Ont., attended the Normal School during its first year, 1908-1909, and graduated successfully. He was a teacher at the Dickson School, Galt, before his enlistment in December, 1915. He served with the 1st Battalion in France and was killed at the Somme, May 2, 1917.

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LIEUT. STUART MONCRIEFFE LAURIE of Hamilton, Ont., was a member of the 1912-1913 class of Hamilton Normal, and was teaching at King George School, Hamilton, when he enlisted in May, 1915, with the 58th Battery. He went overseas in August of the same year, and, after receiving his commission in England he was retained for some time at the Machine Gun School, as a valued instructor. His appeal for service at the front was finally granted and he joined the 4th Machine Gun Coy. in France. At the battle of Passchendaele, on the night of the 2nd of Nov., 1917, he gave up his life. He died as he had lived, helping to relieve a comrade of part of his burden. The same shell killed both.

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PTE. HUBERT A. QUACKENBUSH
of Smith's Falls, Ont., graduated from the Hamilton Normal School in June, 1915, and taught at No. 3, Fitzroy. He enlisted in Feb., 1916, and proceeded to Valcartier Camp, where he became a sergeant. On going overseas he reverted to the ranks and served in France with the 3rd Battalion. Late in 1917 he contracted trench fever and was sent to England, where he was seriously ill for several months. Some time after he returned to the line, he took a course in machine gun work and remained in the machine gun section until his death on Sept. 1, 1918. He died of wounds in the breast.

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D.V.R. WILFRED L. SIMMONS

of Courtland, Ont., was a student at the Hamilton Normal School when he enlisted in March, 1916, with the 120th Battalion. In July, 1916, he transferred to the C. A. S. C. and went overseas in October. On going to France in Jan., 1917, he was attached to the Canadian Forestry Corps, and served in the M. T. section until August, 1918, when he took appendicitis. He underwent an operation in a French hospital and his condition improved. Later, he was taken sick very suddenly and died of recurrent appendicitis on Oct. 4, 1918, at the age of twenty-three. He is buried at St. Sever Cemetery, Rouen.

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LANCE CORP. ARTHUR GRAHAM WEIR
of R. R. 1, Burford, Ont, was attending Normal School
when he enlisted as a signaler with the 120th Battalion in
March, 1916. When he was sent to France he was trans-
ferred to the 116th Battalion. He was killed at Arras on
August 27, 1918.

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CAPTAIN JOSEPH FRANKLIN WELLAND of Galt, Ont., attended Normal School in 1912-1913 and taught at St. Andrew's School, Galt. He was Lieut. in the 29th Highland Light Infantry, Galt, before the war broke out. In Jan., 1916, he enlisted with the 111th Battalion and went overseas in Sept. of the same year. In England he served in both the 17th and the 35th Reserve Battalions, being appointed Bombing Instructor of the 35th Battalion in Jan., 1917. In May, 1917, he joined the 1st Battalion in France, and was killed in action at Passchendaele on November 5, 1917.

HONOUR ROLL

Hamilton Normal School

1914 - 1918

"They Loved Honour More Than They Feared Death"

KILLED OR DIED IN FRANCE

ADAMS, ROBERT LLOYD, PTE., Caistorville; student Hamilton Normal School; 116th Bn.; enlisted March, 1916; killed at Cambrai, October 1, 1918.

CALL, GEORGE WALTER, LIEUT., Galt; teacher at Dickson School, Galt; 1st Bn.; enlisted Dec., 1915; killed at the Somme, May 2, 1917.

LAURIE, STUART MONCRIEFFE, LIEUT., Hamilton; teacher at King George School, Hamilton; 4th C. M. G. C.; enlisted May, 1915; killed at Passchendaele, Nov. 2, 1917.

QUACKENBUSH, HUBERT A., PTE., Smith's Falls, teacher at No. 3, Fitzroy; 3rd Bn.; enlisted Feb., 1916; died of wounds, Sept. 1, 1918.

SIMMONS, WILFRED L., DVR, Courtland; student Hamilton Normal School, H. Q., C. F. C.; enlisted March, 1916; died at Boulogne, Oct. 4, 1918.

WEIR ARTHUR GRAHAM, LANCE CORP, R. R. 1, Burford; student Hamilton Normal School; 116th Bn.; enlisted March, 1916; killed at Arras, August 27, 1918.

WELLAND, JOSEPH FRANKLIN, CAPT., Galt, teacher at Galt; 1st Bn.; enlisted Jan., 1916; killed at Passchendaele, Nov. 5, 1917.

THOSE WHO SERVED

STARES, H. A., LIEUT., Music Instructor, Hamilton Normal School; enlisted Nov., 1915, with the 80th Bn., Belleville; Overseas he was Can. Div'n. Bandmaster; discharged May, 1917.

HENDERSON, GEORGE, SGT., Engineer, Hamilton Normal School; 86th Machine Gun Bn.; enlisted August, 1916; served in France; invalided to England August, 1918; discharged Feb., 1919.

1908-1909

EAID, CHARLES ROY, LIEUT., Sault Ste. Marie; teacher at Alex. Muir School, Sault Ste. Marie; 227th Bn.; enlisted May, 1916, discharged October, 1918.

KNOWLES, MORLEY W., SGT., Port Rowan; Principal at Port Rowan; 14th Bn.; enlisted Feb., 1916; wounded at Vimy, April, 1917; discharged March, 1919.

MacGREGOR, CHARLES JOHN, SPR., R R 3, Lucknow; teacher at Tillsonburg; C. E.; enlisted November, 1917; discharged March, 1919.

1909-1910

KERRUISH, T. MAXWELL, LIEUT., Fergus; teacher at Paris; 52nd Bn.; enlisted Feb., 1916; served in France; discharged June, 1919.

WHITE, GARNET C., PTE., enlisted with 1st Depot Bn., Saskatchewan Regiment at Regina, Jan., 1918; served in France with the 28th Bn.; received a gunshot wound in the right hand; discharged May, 1919.

1910-1911

BELL, GEORGE LESLIE, Caistorville; enlisted and went overseas with Army Medical Corps. No details of service received.

- BINGLE, THOMAS, CAPT.**, Grimsby; teacher at King George School, Brantford; 44th Bn.; enlisted Dec., 1915; wounded (1) at Amiens, August 10, 1918, (2) at Arras, Sept. 2, 1918, where he won the M.C.; discharged Jan., 1920.
- HERN, GORDON, SGT.**, Welland; student at Trinity College; enlisted Nov., 1917; in March, 1918, joined Overseas Training Company; in April, 1918, joined Polish Army as Sergt. and went to Siberia in Sept., 1918; discharged Sept., 1919.
- McCALLUM, GEORGE G.**, Brampton; enlisted with the Signal Training Depot at Toronto, June 19, 1916; served in Canada; no further details known.
- MERRITT, ROLAND LEE, CORPL.**, Grassie; teacher at S. Saltfleet; 40th Battery; enlisted Sept., 1915; won M.M. at Arras, Aug. 26, 1918; wounded Sept., 1918; discharged March, 1919.
- WEST, JOHN F., PTE.**, Northwood; teacher at Thamesville; 238th Bn. C. F. C.; enlisted August, 1916; discharged May, 1919.

1911-1912

- COLLIER, BENSON, LIEUT.**, Hamilton; teacher at Queen Mary School, Hamilton; enlisted as Sgt., C. A. S. C., March, 1917; served in England; discharged May, 1919.
- GRASSIE, WILLIAM EDWARD, LIEUT.**, Smithville; student at Queen's University; 45th Battery and A. M. C.; enlisted March, 1915; served in France and Egypt; discharged March, 1919.
- GIBSON, LYLE E., CAPT.**, Hamilton; teacher at King George School, Hamilton; enlisted Oct., 1915; served with 4th M. G. Coy., France; wounded at Passchendaele Nov. 7, 1917; discharged Nov., 1918.
- NEFF, ARTHUR W., SPR.**, R. R. 1, Mt. Hamilton; teacher, 3, Barton; C. E.; enlisted Oct., 1917; served in England; discharged Feb., 1919.

PARKHILL, GEORGE E., Paris; enlisted and went overseas; no details of his service received.

PEACOCK, WILFRED ERNEST, PTE., Rosemount; teacher at 6, Adjala; 177th Bn.; enlisted June, 1916; served in England; discharged July, 1919.

SAGER, EDWARD J., LIEUT., Ancaster; teacher at Cainsville; 116th Bn.; enlisted April, 1916; served in France; discharged March, 1919.

1912-1913

BONHAM, ROBERT L., LIEUT., R. R. 1, Jerseyville; student at Queen's University; R. A. F.; enlisted Nov., 1915; served in France; wounded at Vimy May, 1917; discharged April, 1919.

CAMPBELL, EDWARD G., LIEUT., Cayuga; teacher at 6, N. Cayuga; 25th Bn.; enlisted May, 1915; served in France; wounded (1) June 12, 1916, (2) Sept. 19, 1916; discharged May, 1919.

MANNING, CHARLES E., PTE., Hamilton; teacher at 4, Saltfleet; C. C. Sur. Sec.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; discharged April, 1919.

SEXSMITH, ROYAL R., PTE., R. R. 2, Ridgeway; teacher at Chippawa, 58th Bn.; enlisted April, 1918; served in France; discharged March, 1919.

WARREN, HAROLD A., GNR., Hespeler; teacher at 25, Waterloo; 6th Can. Siege Battery; enlisted Jan., 1916; served in France; discharged May, 1919.

WELLAND, FRED J., CAPT., Galt; teacher at Dickson School, Galt; 1st Bn.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; wounded at Vimy May 3, 1917; discharged June, 1918.

1913-1914

ARDIELL, REUBEN, LIEUT., Ettrick; teacher at Flos; R. A. F.; enlisted March, 1916; served in England; discharged March, 1919.

- BRICKER, HAROLD, LIEUT., Preston; teacher at 20, Waterloo; R. A. F.; enlisted July, 1917; served in France; crashed Jan. 18, 1918; discharged Sept., 1919.
- KINCHSULAR, REDMOND, PTE., Port Dover; teacher at 16, Walpole; 1st C. M. G. Bde.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; discharged April, 1919.
- PARKINSON, CLAIR AUDREY, PTE., R. R. 5, Hagersville; teacher at 10, Oneida; 4th C. M. G. Bn.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; wounded at Monchy, Aug. 27, 1918; discharged June, 1919.
- REID, RUSSELL, PTE., R. R. 5, Lucknow; teacher at 8, Kinloss; W. O. R.; enlisted June, 1915; discharged July, 1918.

1914-1915

- BROWN, FRED H, PTE., R. R. 2, Caledonia; teacher at Havelock; 1st C. M. G. C.; enlisted Jan., 1916; served in France; discharged May, 1919.
- BURT, ARTHUR CAMPBELL, CAPT., Brantford; teacher M. T. Essex School, Toronto; R. A. F.; enlisted June, 1916; served in France; discharged April, 1919.
- HENDERSON,, JAMES GRAY, GNR, Rockton; teacher at 3, Flamboro; 58th Battery; enlisted Jan., 1916; served in France; discharged June, 1919.
- LOWDEN, HENRY, L. CPL., Hamilton; teacher at 9, Portland and Loughborough; 20th Bn.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; gassed July 7, 1917; wounded at Arras, Aug. 26, 1918; discharged April, 1919.
- MORWICK, EDWARD, PTE., Jerseyville; teacher at 6, N Grimsby; 58th Battery, 14th Bde.; enlisted Jan., 1916; served in France; discharged March, 1919.
- SAGER; ELMER, PTE., Ancaster; teacher at 1, Pickering; 1st C. M. G. Bn.; enlisted Oct., 1916; served in France; discharged April, 1919.

WHOLTON, THOMAS HILLIARD, SGT, Hamilton; teacher at King George School, Hamilton; 10th C. G. H.; enlisted June, 1916, served in England; discharged July, 1919.

1915-1916

BOOTHBY, ROYAL AGNEW, SGR, Collingwood; student at Hamilton Normal School; 1st M. G. Bn.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; discharged Jan., 1919.

COUSINS, ARCHIE RAY, SPR, Courtland; student Hamilton Normal School; 4th Bde, C. E.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; gassed at Vimy April, 1917; Passchaendale, 1917; received M. M. at Lens; discharged June, 1919.

DAVEY, STANLEY HUNTER, PTE., Meaford; student Hamilton Normal School; 15th Bn.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; gassed March 10, 1918; discharged Feb., 1919.

EVANS, JOSEPH HENRY, PTE., Alliston; student Hamilton Normal School; 4th Bn. C. M. G. C.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; discharged April, 1919.

LESLIE, JAMES ALVIN, PTE., Drayton; student Hamilton Normal School; 1st Bn. C. M. G. Coy; enlisted April, 1916; served in France; wounded Aug. 11, 1918; discharged Jan., 1919.

LYALL, VICTOR A., SGR., Shanty Bay; student at Hamilton Normal School; 116th Bn.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; discharged March, 1919.

MARKLE, JOHN F., SGR, New Lowell; student at Hamilton Normal School; 3rd Bn.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; discharged Jan., 1919.

MOORE, GEORGE WILSON, SGR., Brantford, student at Hamilton Normal School; 78th Bn., enlisted March, 1916; served in France; discharged July, 1919.

RICHARDS, HAROLD, PTE, Waterdown; student at Hamilton Normal School; 4th Bn. C. M. G. Corps; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; discharged June, 1919.

RYAN, ARTHUR EARL, CPL., Trafalgar; student at Hamilton Normal School; 8th Bn., C. E.; enlisted March, 1916; served in France; discharged March, 1919.

TAYLOR, ROY, PTE, Meaford; student at Hamilton Normal School; 3rd Bn.; enlisted Jan., 1916; served in France; wounded at Passchendaele, Nov. 11, 1917; discharged Jan., 1919.

1916-1917

FEGAN, JAMES M., SGT., Fenwick; teacher at 8, Gainsboro; 1st Bn., C. E.; enlisted July, 1918; discharged July, 1919.

HAMILTON, HARRY P., PTE., Dunnville; student at Hamilton Normal School; 5th Battery; enlisted April, 1917; served in France; discharged April, 1919.

TRUSLER, ARTHUR CARRICK, Cadet, Camlachie; teacher at 20, Plympton; R. A. F.; enlisted August, 1918; discharged Nov., 1918.

UNVEILING MEMORIAL TABLET

On Monday afternoon, June 11th, at 4.30 p.m., the students, staff, and graduates of the Hamilton Normal School assembled at the Main Entrance to take part in the dedicating and unveiling of a tablet, erected in memory of the ex-students of the school who served in the Great War.

The tablet of bronze, which is placed in the vestibule, bears the names of sixty students of the years 1908-1917, who served overseas, seven of whom gave up their lives.

The service was most impressive and paid fitting tribute to those who fell overseas or risked death and returned. The service opened with the singing of a hymn, "O God, our help in ages past". Rev. S. B. Russell then read suitable passages from the Scriptures, and a dedicatory prayer was pronounced by Rev. Canon Howitt. The names on the tablet were read by Mr. G. O. MacMillan of the Normal School staff, and the Union Jack which veiled the tablet was drawn aside by Dr. H. E. Amoss of the Normal School staff and Mr. H. E. Bolingbroke, an ex-student, both of whom saw service overseas. The assembly stood in reverent silence for the space of one minute, after which the Last Post was sounded and the dedicatory part of the service came to a close.

Those present then adjourned to the Assembly Hall, where Mr. F. F. Macpherson, the Principal, made a few brief remarks on the Memorial and introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Ven. Archdeacon Renison.

DR. RENISON'S ADDRESS

I am very glad indeed for the privilege and opportunity of standing on the platform today, to say a few words concerning those whose names are inscribed on the monument of everlasting bronze which stands appropriately at the door between the gates of this institution. It reminds one of those lines that were quoted so often during the War, concerning the boys of Oxford who laid aside cap and gown in order that they might wear khaki in the distant battle line of the Empire.

It is not necessary for any one to pay tribute to those whose names are there inscribed. Some of you will remember that wonderful speech of Pericles, recorded in Thucydides, in which he pays tribute to the dead of Athens, whose bodies had been brought home. Speaking among others of his own son, he pointed to the ashes of the heroes and said, "The whole world is the sepulchre of famous men." The history of our country is the place wherein the names of these boys shall be recorded forever. Nevertheless, it may not be inappropriate that one or two things be said to such an audience as this—young men and women, who at the beginning of their lives are going out to train others.

It is not my purpose to speak of the philosophy of the War. The time has not yet come to appreciate its true perspective. But I wish to speak a few moments concerning the deeds of those young men whose names are inscribed upon the tablet at the door, among thousands of others who gave up their lives for us.

In the first place, remember they were very young, most of them in their early twenties. This young country of ours needed them, as much as she needs young men today. Yet these young men, not having made the War,

not in any sense having been responsible for it, went over there and gave their youth, the youth of Canada, Canada's sacrifice. Without being called, they rushed from all parts of the Dominion to Valcartier. Battalions sprang up in the bushes over night. Within six weeks there was an army. In September there was a flotilla of 30,000 men prepared for war, sailing across the Atlantic. The first thing we knew, there was a whole division across, and landed in the immortal mud of Salisbury Plains. They lived there throughout the wettest winter England has ever known. Now and then they escaped to London for a bath. Suddenly they were shipped across to France.

I wonder how many of you, who are young, can remember very clearly that first battle on St. George's Day in 1915. No one who does not remember the old British regular can appreciate what that little army was, that was taken from London in August, 1914, and rushed across the Channel. At Mons, on August 23rd, 1914, the Briton and Teuton looked into each others' eyes at the beginning of five years of mortal strife. The battle of the Marne marked one of the greatest battles in the history of the world. At the first battle of Ypres, the Germans were held back once more. But the immortal 100,000 had died, and there were none to take their place. Germany claimed the British lines would hold just as long as the Regulars were there. Men said, "Now the end will come."

The new recruits from Canada were placed in the front lines in April, 1915, next to the French Colonial troops. The Germans then attempted to perpetrate one of their greatest atrocities. On the morning of April 23, 1915, as the men were standing in their trenches, a dark green wave came over the damp tangle of No Man's Land.

To the right and left the French broke in agony, but the little Canadian corps stood fast. For three days and four nights they faced unspeakable difficulties, and the story of the Canadian's defence at Ypres rang round the world. I believe that this battle settled the War, because it was the crack of doom for despotism and militarism. The greatest concentration of manevolence and diabolic ingenuity could not defeat the spirit of free men from all over the British Empire.

Year after year, the Canadian Corps grew—1, 2, 3, 4, 5 divisions. Beginning at Amiens on August 8, 1918, the Canadians were the spear point of the allied forces. It is undoubtedly true that, physically and morally, they were the spear point of the British army. At the battle of Amiens they made the greatest advance of any army during the Great War.

When the Armistice was signed, the Canadians were along the road going from Valenciennes to Mons, back to the place where the War started. On the last day of the War they got to Mons. It was a wonderful coincidence, and a sheer romance in the History of Canada.

I believe that war is not a perennial curse. I believe that Christian ideals are gradually, although very slowly, gaining their hold. But in the meantime, with all allowance for human frailties, and hoping for a better age to come, we ought never to forget these boys of ours who gave themselves when their country wanted them. Their lives were precious, yet they laid them down without a word, in order that we might be happy. We can only hope and pray that this generation and the generations to come may be worthy of those whose names are inscribed on yonder tablet.