

FORD MOYNES

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# on the MAIN STREET



It seems that people have always had it "in" for the editor! The following poetic effort, titled "Typographical Error", is reprinted from a local newspaper May 1, 1912 and was found in an old scrapbook:

I've come to lick the editor —  
By gosh! I want his blood!  
I want to club  
His head and rub . . .  
His whiskers in the mud.

I want to knock his false teeth  
down  
His throat, an' mash his nose,  
An' break his neck,  
an' mash his spec —,  
Tacles, and tear his clo'es!

I've come to lick the editor,  
'N I want his printer's life,  
I'm mad clar thro ugh —  
An' dad is, too,  
So likewise is my wife!

We had a big reunion  
To our house yesterday,  
An' all the Browns  
from forty towns  
Was there, fr'm miles away.

A "Gatherin' of the Clans"; it was,  
An' so we wrote it down  
And sent it to  
The News Review —  
The weekly of our town.

I've come to lick the editor —  
Newspaper men is hams!  
He fixed that head—  
Line so it read:  
"The Gathering of the Clams!"

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Half a century ago plus a few months, Lindsay had a number of outstanding attractions. The passing of Harry V. Stoddard in Montreal recalls two in particular, viz. the Lindsay Midgets, Ontario junior hockey champions, and the Lindsay Citizens' Band. Both organizations brought Lindsay into the limelight.

Bill Stoddard was the star flash on the Lindsay Midgets, winners of the O.H.A. championship and Harry Stoddard was one of the top coronetists, along with Bill Heffernan

with the Citizens' Band. The two brothers married sisters, with Bill wedding Olive Mitchell and Harry marrying Margaret Mitchell and both girls being sisters of Miss Florence Mitchell, Queen Street and Mrs. Fran. Williamson, Ardmore Ave.

The Stoddard brothers were born in Fenelon Falls and for several years they operated a grocery store in North Bay. Harry V. Stoddard was also employed for several years in the T. A. Fisher store which was the forerunner of Drury's groceteria.

For many years past the late Mr. Stoddard was business manager of a tabloid newspaper in Montreal and head of a job printing business. He was prominent in business circles and in the United Church. He is survived by his wife, the former Margaret Mitchell of Lindsay and their daughters residing in Montreal.