EDITORS OF THE WHIG SINCE ITS FOUNDATION

I have known every editor of the Whig since its foundation man of incisiveness and with a fine knowledge of the English

John Barker Pense, who conducted the paper from 1872 to 1910. I joined Mr. Pense in 1878, and soon after made the acquaintance of Dr. Barker, so that, as I said before, I have had an acquaintance with every editor who has written in the columns of the paper. Mr. Pense was chiefly engaged in the business end of the paper and its growth from a publication of 800 to 4,100 stood to his and its growth from New France for Canada.

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KINGSTON'S STREET CAR

SERVICE.

The Kingston was consummated in 1867, and it is a matter of legitimate pride for Kingston head an acquaintance of the English from New France for Canada.

It has a liked of any of the smaller cities of the English from New France for K credit, a remarkable achievement in those days because the have all been energetic and full of the journalistic spirit. For Cataragui Electric Railway, which China.

The first editor after Mr. Pense assumed the conduct of the paper was Mr. Fuller, who afterwards became the clerk of the crown for Frontenac county. He was a brilliant writer and made many friends throughout newspaperdom for his aggressive work. He was succeeded for a short while by Mr. Ashley, who afterwards spent many years on the Belleville Ontario as its thoughful editor.

The late Wm. Tandy, a Kingstonian, and a singer of great merit, was editor for some ten or twelve years, and his constant assaults upon the national policy during the eighties are recalled by many citizens. Mr. Tandy's hand-writing-for typewriting machines were not then in vogue-was of the clearest character, and it was always a joy for compositors to have his copy before them. Frequently, while he was on his singing tours throughout the provinces, his copy came in by mail. He wrote with force and lucidity, and was actively employed in his editorial work up to the time death called him

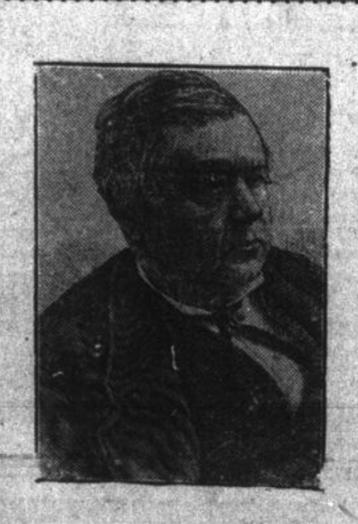
And then came Robert Meek, a bosom friend and a genuine man. He was "the whole thing" in the Whig when I came. We labored and wrought together and turned out a paper of merit, at least it was so regarded in those days. As a matter of fact the local end of the paper was ponderous. The city council reports of those days ran from five to ten columns after each session. Daylight was always found when the last sheet of the great event was written and the gas turned out-1 always thought it was "when the gas was turned off." Everything was written with an elaborateness of detail that is not now possible or desirable. But when two men had to fill a paper, the display of adjectives and well-padded sentences was very apparent. About 1889, on the death of Mr. Tandy, Mr. Meek took on the duties of editor and an additional man was added to the staff. Mr. Meek was a decidedly clever writer, a 1834 to 1872.

Thave known every editor of the Whig since its foundation in 1834. Naturally that does not mean that I have lived the language. He was a constant student, he read extensively and language that the Whig has existed, for the first editor, he had the faculty of retaining the knowledge obtained. He was a constant student, he read extensively and language. He was a constant student, he read extensively and he had the faculty of retaining the knowledge obtained. He was a constant student, he read extensively and he had the faculty of retaining the knowledge obtained. He had the reduct of the paper, was passing from the scene of his sterling activity when he had the faculty of retaining the knowledge obtained. He had the reduction of his sterling activity when he had the faculty of retaining the knowledge obtained. He was passing from the scene of his sterling activity when he had the faculty of retaining the could put vitriol into his sentences—he did not often do so, however—but generally his move the good of the policy the paper should take on living and vital Canadian questions, and having as shining mark for all the critical editors throughout Upper as a shining mark for all the critical editors throughout Upper was a very vigorous and a subject of the considered well the present of the considered with the fact that the Dagish were the convergence of the policy the paper should take on living and vital Canadian questions, and having as shining mark for all the critical editors throughout Upper was a very vigorous and a stream of the policy of the example of the considered with the fact that the Dagish were as fast at Fort School and the critical and the policy of the po

real benefits of the paper had not become so widely known as they are at present, and the scientific treatment of the sale of ably handled by G. H. Williamson and E. G. Barrett. They are at present, and the scientific treatment of the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be aggressive. Sterling men and the adjacent will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of car service, is the outcome of the sale of car service, is the outcome of a company to the will be supplied to the sale of the sale o the white space was not so fully developed. Mr. Pense not old timers in the Whig office, reliable, aggressive, sterling men only was able to manage the financial and business end of the whose services are highly appreciated and worthy of the act passed by the Ontario Legislative number of Indian chiefs by peculiarly the farthest north, including Otang. paper, but he was very versatile, and his judgment was regarded as sound and reliable. He frequently wrote for the columns of the Whig with a vigor and incisiveness that made in the life and thought of the people of Kingston and district. in the life and thought of the people of Kingston and district. organized by George Dennis Morse, built the structure, making it much versity, a home of higher education,

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WHIG'S FOUNDER AND GRANDSON





E. J. BARKER PENSE

(Continued from Page One) worked in New York, Boston, and will do much to extend the industry tion in the election between Sir still on the pay rool, although he well-being, if only the older citizens do Henry and William Ferguson I was has ceased to perform any active not crowd them out and curb their encaptured by a farmer's, buxom wife duties, will celebrate his sixty-first deavors. Kingston needs such citi-

tracted here by cheap power and ter. There is no doubt about it. King- tions of the city, with the exception

Toronto. So far there is no definite plan for the development of these commercial aeroplane, but Kingston should come in for a large share of any industry and trade which follows in the wake of this development. All that is necessary is that some of the progressive citizens of Kingston bestir themselves and take an active interest in this business in order that its benefits may be felt here.

the winter months, when the com- market square. pany was empowered to substitute sleighs for cars. The horse cars changing the name of the company Cataraqui Street Railway, and givwas passed further extending the powers of the company, which at this time changed its name by substitut- for British troops. ing the words "Electric Railway" for "Street Railway," which name it still carries. During this period the company was in a . flourishing condition, and supplied the needs of the people of the city very well The first cars ran on Princess

street from the city limits to King

street, along King street to Barrie street, up Barrie street to Union, and along Union street to the western city limits. In 1889 the city of Kingston passed a by-law giving the company power to lay tracks on Al-Who published the Whig from 1872 to fred street from Union street to York street, and also to operate on Breck Ontario to William ,and up William to join the main line on King street. In 1894 power was given to lay a through the Legislature. double track on King street, Brock ments in the Whig in my time, and and higher ideas and ideals, will have street. Ontario street, and William I have been thankful to see them a large part to play in its develop-all. It shows continued progress ment and growth. These men are was also granted to lay tracks and and the new monster press should prove to be the greatest step forward of all. It will certainly be ward of all. It will certainly be ands who are not content to let things ther extension was granted at the again. But I don't regret it, and are many such young men in Kingston the outer station was authorized. A Gananoque and also helps the Kingmy memories of the Whig are the returned citizens who have come back year later a double track was laid ston Utilities Commission in keepfrom the battlefields of Europe, filled on Princess street from a point op- ing down the Hydro-Electric Com-Except for a short period when he with progressive ideas; ideas which posite the Orange hall to Bagot mission's peak load at times. street. Before this, in 1894, the service was extended so that the cars ran out to Portsmouth, and the line was then fixed roughly as it is now. of 4,578, including a military garriperiods of trouble. In 1906 it got is that Kingston would to-day have into financial difficulties, and the been a bigger place if it had not the privileges of the field of honor. zens for her future leaders in every of three and a half months. In cars ceased to operate for a period been a garrison town. line of activity, and their presence May of that year a new act was pass- Dr. Edward J. Barker, the Whig's career to fight the battles of the peohere means much to the growth ed by the Ontario Legislative Assem, founder, who lived at Barriefield ple. Its first fight in 1834 was over of a large amount of its stock Bridegroom." Another feature which will tend to by H. W. Richardson, who was electmake Kingston greater in the future ed president. W. F. Nickle was apwill be the extended harbour and the pointed secretary, and the service more than once to appear in half size vet it was considered a breach of the government elevators which we hope recommenced and it has continued owing to delays in receiving stocks Carter's Act. Carrell would not to see built on the waterfront very in operation ever since. The en- of printing paper. soon. Kingston, with its admirable trance of the Richardsons into the natural position, lies in the path of the company saved the situation, and large grain transporting vessels, and made it possible to make ample pro-

At the present time the company is doing fairly well. It is operating paper. Transportation Company from the dule. For a company which is Bajus brewery (once Dalton's), is any force and effected a sale. The growing gradually, and which is not the oldest commercial institution in magistrates soon after altered the ing them. They were, of course, Reid for he occasionally writes up a Coupled with the harbour improvement is still found for Mr. Reid for he occasionally writes up a Coupled with the harbour improvement. The present superintendent yet earning dividends for the share- Kingston, having been established law. ments must be coupled the railway is H. C. Nickle. At present the Still the circulation was pretty Grand Opera House, Griffin's and ing of the railway lines into the city This may not seem a very satisfacwill put the city directly on the route tory service, but taking all the diffiity of the suburban line. face into consideration, it must be Industries will follow in the admitted that the directors are doing all they possibly can. The line transportation rates by land and wa- of the residential and business sec ston must go ahead in the future as it of the outskirts, and provide for a tainly gave me work enough to keep me busy. The Whig was on Bagot street at that time, and besides the type cases there were only two hand presses in the room. Dr. Barker ed to \$2.50 after several years of presses in the room. Dr. Barker ed to \$2.50 after several years of presses in the room. Then I started to set type is properly replaced in the city to believe that development will be rapid and that Kingston will ere long see such an awakening in business as will surprise even the most optimistic.

LIFE STORY OF KINGSTON. THE OLD LIMESTONE CITY

Room for Optimism.

And so there is no reason why we hould not be optimistic regarding.

And so there is no reason why we hould not be optimistic regarding.

But the town was not through with opportunity.

Away back in 1673, hawk-faced its periods of stress and storm. The Count De Frontenac, pushing his way American War of 1812 threw it into

James Leckie Morrison, Charley stronger than before. After that the which for seventy-six years has sent Morse, John Taylor, William Morse little settlement at Cataraqui was out graduetes all over Canada, "fitted and William Monohan, who were the fairly tranquil until 1758, when it was to serve the country in church and taken by Colonel Bradstreet with a state," as the prayer used in the The company was authorized to conforce of three thousand men and university service finely expresses it. struct tracks and to operate cars, to be drawn by animals or any other motive power. The first cars were horse cars, and they were operated all the year round excepting during the rou

all the year round excepting during erected on the site of the present but not least, it has achieved a steady and enviable progress as a busine After this stormy period Kingston centre, as set forth in detail in the stagnated until it was permanently pages of this edition. Kingston is a continued in operation until 1893, settled by a party of United Empire city that will make good in the march the original act of incorporation. Loyalists at the close of the American of national progress. The great turnwar of Independence. Gradually the ing point in its history will come with place assumed a certain importance the completion of the Welland Canal in the New Canada. The log-cabins were replaced by substantial buildings of grey limestone, which was plentiful in the district. The government built ment elevators for the housing of mila small grist mill in 1772. Finally lions of bushels of the golden grain Kingston was chosen as a garrison of the west, and its people are already bestirring themselves for that great

INTERESTING REMINISCENCES OF THE WHIG'S EARLY DAYS

The Whig's first battles were about 110 years ago. It fought against the competition of brewing. convict labor with home mechanics and for the incorporation of Kingment had opponents as well as supstreet from King to Ontario, along porters in plenty, but in 1838, while the people were agitated over the rebellion, the charter was slipped

> founded, the business men of King- local life was Charles Sangster, the power for Kingston by damming the Rideau at Bell's Island or running

The company was not without its son of 1,000. The general opinion

bly reorgan zing the company on a was once clerk of the Kingston gainst the magistrates who fined sound basis. At this time the com- township council. In 1839 the doc- William Carrell, of the Coffee House pany was strengthened by the taking tor published an opera entitled "The \$8 and \$3.50 costs because his serv-

newspapers were in the rag business, crowd gathered and hissed and giving two pence a pound for rags, groaned. A shilling only was bid which went into the manufacture of and the constable retired before

Upon Lord Elgin's first visit to Kingston, the Whig employees turned out in a van with a small hand press and printed a welcome while passing along the streets.

Among those who aided the Whig In 1834, the year the Whig was years ago in its daily portrayal of

> One of the grave charges brought its editor was seen in a saloon one evening. A Whig editor to-day would not be seen in a barroom-no, not when there is only two per cent. to

When the Whig was started, "affairs of honor" were still in vogue. The paper exposed a military officer_ who had insulted a host of ladies at various times in the city, describing him as "drumstick-legged, with rec Kingston in 1834 had a population am's horn whiskers and goatish yes." The Whig editor declined his hallenge, stating that the officer's ase conduct had placed him outside

ing man drove down to the wharf pay the fine and his horse was seized. When the constable offered if In the early days, the Kingston for sale in the market square, shower of stones. He returned

PRICES NOW AND 25 YEARS AGO.

In view of the present day agitation against the high cost of living and the high prices charged for produce on the Kingston market, the prices for produce in the summer of 1894 will be of interest. At that time there was no high cost of living cry, and the wonder will be as to how the farmers and market gardeners could make a living in those days. The following are the prices for some of the articles on sale in the market in July, 1894, copied from The Whig for that date, and alongside are the

present prices:	
18	94 1919
Potatoes, peck	5 \$1.00
Mutton, per lb	7 to .08 .30 to .35
# ### ################################	8 to .10 .32 to .36
	0 to .25 .55 to .65
	.50 to .55
Chickens	air. \$1.50 to \$2.50 each
Currante red, per. qt	8 .25
Currants, black, per qt	0
Raspberries, per Qt	
Beans, per qt	
Cabbage, each	
Carrots, Beets, etc., bunch	

ter. There was very little local news in those days, but one day I remember they sent me out to help Sangster write up the visit of the Prince of Wales, who afterwards became King Edward VII, and I also covered some of Confederation celevation in Kingston.

A man does a lot of things he displaced again, but the foreman, William Macfarlane, as decent a man as ever lived, whom Dr. Barker used to swear by, was don't want him to do them.

It's dead easy for a woman to beat as man in an argument; all she has covered some of Confederation celevations in Kingston.

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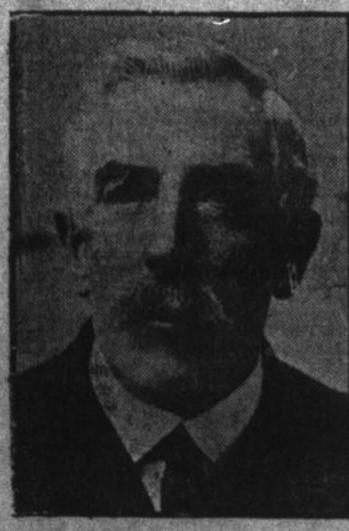
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It's dead easy for a woman to beat as man in an argument to go ahead and operate aerial lines for make up about a thousand em's land in the foreman, William Macfarlane, as decent a man as ever lived, whom Dr. Barker used to swear by, was don't want him to do them.

It's dead easy for a woman to beat as possible to do the service, additions will no doubt be made that will be away from the car the foreman, will see in the foreman was a blue of the service and in section will be away from the car the foreman was a blue of the service and in the foreman was a blue of the service and in the sum as a second at the foreman was a blue of the service and the foreman was a blue of the service and in the foreman was a blue of the service and in the foreman was a blue of the service and in the sum as a second and operate arial lines, but asset of the service and in the sum as a second and operate arial lines, but as a second and operate arial lines, but asset of the service

CANADA'S OLDEST PRINTER RECOUNTS EARLY EXPERIENCES

Incidents of Samuel Reid's First Days in Whig Office Show the Difference Between the Modern Plant and



SAMUEL REID

sixty years ago, when the veteran printer tied on his first apron and commenced as a printers' devil. "It was a terrible day when I en-Reid. "Although it was the glorious Twelth, it was anything but bright. The rain was coming down in torrents, and I on't think I have seen such a fear / day since. The boardas a printer's devil, and they cer-

That of Sixty Years Ago.

It was on July 12th, 1858, that Political bitterness ran pretty time, and the devils nowadays don't are hundreds of them who are enxious company permission to lay tracks a sluice from Kingston Mills or law are hundreds of them who are enxious company permission to lay tracks Loughboro Lake. The project, how-Samuel Reid, who has more active high in these days. I remember one know what work is. In the old days to see Kingston grow, and who will along King street from Princess Loughboro Lake. The project, howyears of service to his credit as a day at Odessa when nominations for printer than any other man in Canthe legislative council were being ada, came to the British Whig, made, I had to take notes amid the legislative and then complete that growth the same hard work and then complete that growth the same hard work and then complete that growth the same hard work and then complete that growth the same hard work and then complete the line running of the line running of which and then complete the line running of the line running of the line running of which and then complete the legislative council were being the line running of the line run Kingston, a lad of fifteen and startnoise, fights and stone throwing. 1
and to work in the composing room.

Some of the British wing, made, I had to take notes amid the ing by lamplight, and then coming dauntless effort that characterized took place, and the line running ed water rights at the Mills and their fighting on the battlefield. There ed to work in the composing room, escaped from the meeting with no He recalled his experiences the oth- bones broken, but I was compelled er day and many of the incidents in to write out my report in the shadow those early days serve to demon- of two stacks of hay to escape the strate the difference between the threats of both parties against the modern newspaper plant and that of newspapers. Especially in the camnewspaper plant and that of newspapers. Especially in the campaigns between the late Sir Henry Smith and James Morton, there was always a battle, but at the declaration of the Whig, and is still on the pay rook although he

> in the Whig. I. and sometimes had to keep ed it through its various vicissitudes and we used brevere, bourgeois and been set up it was laid on the stayed for fifteen minutes to set up stones and put in the forms, which a stick of type for this issue. It is

affairs, made by R. H. Hoe in New Idown every Friday afternoon for his lader York, and were run by hand. One pay. was for the eight page weekly and ["I want to be on the Whig staff the other for the six page daily, juntil I die," said Mr. Reid, "and Generally I had to turn the cranck as my only regret is that I can't get the sheets were taken off by one of down here every day to set up type the men who had the duty of fold- like I did in the old days." the shooting stick to give us a crack gular first nighter to provide the over the back to wake us up. Many reviews for the Whig.

the first four thousand I set in one

"There have been many improve-

fondest I have." for writing 'lies' about her hubby anniversary on next Twelfth of July. He has seen the rise of the Whig to the prominent position it now holds a jack-of-all-trades, in Eastern Ontario, and has followof fortune. It was the proudest moment of his life this morning when he came down to the composnearly five years since Mr. Reid "The two presses, which were the is acknowledged to be an honorary first that the Whig used, were small member of the staff, and he comes,

anknown in those days, and the D. P. Branigan, M. J. Whitty, and heets had to be put in by hand. George Wilson, managers of the ping up with the demand for ways welcome "Sam" to their houses. If the devils ever got lazy es, and when vaudeville was shown he foreman was always ready with at Lake Ontario Park he was a re-

are the beatings I had in the old | Mr. Reid is always a welcome lays until my back was as sore as visitor at the Whig; and he genermy hands, which were blistered ally drops into the composing room

A BIGGER KINGSTON.

Water and Rail Facilties.

with improved harbour facilities and visions for future extensions. tremendous boost as a lake port. In spite of the removal of the Montreal