

become a place of much beauty and of continental interest. Fort Anne, at Annapolis Royal, under the late Mr. Fortier, was developed and enlarged until to-day it possesses the finest collection of Acadian and other relics to be found anywhere.

Thousands of people visit these two points each year. The actual registration during the tourist season for the past five years is as follows:—

	Grand Pré	Annapolis Royal
1929..	15,787	13,184
1930..	18,661	12,061
1931..	17,539	11,539
1932..	14,697	9,176
1933..	12,604	7,130

Tourists come to us from every state in the Union, and from all quarters of the globe.

The time is now opportune, in our opinion, to mark to a greater extent our heritage of historic fields of the past. This can best be done by the establishment of National Parks. Cape Breton, Western and Central Nova Scotia should each have a National Park to preserve for all time the wild life of those sections, and each carries its own appeal of historic significance. Cape Breton—marking the discovery of America; Louisburg, the highlands and lakes redolent of Scotland. Western Nova Scotia, with Yarmouth and its runic stone where the Norsemen visited our shores. The great hunting and fishing zone adjacent to the already established game sanctuary. Blomidon, in the centre of the province, with its wonderful location 600 feet above sea level, from Cape Split to the “Lookoff,” on the North Mountain, overlooking the famed fruitful valleys, offers a magnificent site. Blomidon has the Bay of Fundy on one side and Minas Basin, with its picturesque scenery on the other. High cliffs of colourful sandstone, with sandy bathing beaches at their base, and amethyst cove, where amethyst crystals may be gathered at will, all go to make a splendid setting for a National Park. A National Park here would be redolent of “Glooscap,” the Indian legend, of the early struggle for supremacy between the French and the English in the near-by battle-fields of Grand Pré and Annapolis Royal.

The establishment of such monuments to mark our historic sites would at once co-ordinate national, provincial and municipal effort in harmony that would have excellent results, in adding to the attractions of our province for visiting tourists.

While our main highways are in excellent condition, some adequate means of controlling the dust nuisance must be provided, or a hard-surfacing program covering a period of years inaugurated. It is to be hoped this means of inducing more tourists to visit our province will be provided by federal aid to permit immediate action in that direction. That this is of utmost importance is recorded each season by visiting tourists who praise our scenic and other attractions, but complain in no uncertain terms of our dusty roads. Many state definitely they will not return until this condition is remedied.

Our hotels and other resorts throughout the province are well fitted to provide excellent service for many more thousands of visitors than we at present enjoy. The use of fresh fruits and vegetables, abundance of sea-foods of all kinds, offer an attractive menu at all times.

Our forests with myriad lakes and streams afford splendid hunting and fishing. The preservation of wild life in game sanctuaries, and stocking of inland waters with trout and salmon fry from fish-rearing ponds will ensure this attraction for generations to come.

Each tourist centre has its golf course. Most of these are 18-hole courses, and kept in splendid condition. Tennis, scenic drives, swimming in salt water,