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New Moon, 1st day, 4h. 53.2m. p. m. S. W.
First Quarter, 8th day, 11h. 21m. a. m. S. W.
Full Moon, 15th day, 11h. 45.4m. a. m. S. W.
Third Quarter, 22nd day, 4h. 13.1m. p. m. S. W.
New Moon, 29th day, 4h. 53.2m. p. m. S. W.

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Chas. W. Stewart, Jan. 19, 1888.

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And every species of disease arising from impure blood.

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Manufactured on the premises every day. Customers can rely on their Candies being fresh and pure.

We want every country dealer to call on us and see if we cannot save money by getting his Confectionery from us.

Choice Fruits in their Season.

Best GROCERIES at Low Prices.

Colgate's Soaps & Perfumery.

B. BALDWIN.

Charlottetown, July 27, 1887.

STRAY BULL

A STRAY BULL has been on the

premises for the past

fortnight. He is apparently three years

old, has red sides and greyish back, and

has been made under his left ear.

The owner can have the same by proving property and paying expenses. If not claimed before 26th January, next, he will be sold at Public Auction.

JOHN MONTGOMERY,

Blacksmith,

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If Not, Why Not?

—USE—

WOODILLS

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POWDER

November 29, 1888.

Free Trade with the States.

JUST OPENED,

A Large Assortment of

Clocks, Watches and Jewelry,

All of the latest patterns, and very

cheap, suitable for

Xmas and New Year's Presents.

Watches, Clocks and Jewelry repairing

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A large assortment of Xmas and New

Year's Cards, all of the very latest styles,

and cheaper than can be bought in the city.

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North Side Queen Square, opposite P. O.

Charlottetown, Nov. 29, 1888.

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SOLICITOR, NOTARY PUBLIC, &c.,

OFFICE, CAMERON BLOCK

(Head of St. Mary's).

Charlottetown, P. E. Island

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Money to loan at lowest rate of interest.

Nov. 21, 1888—ly

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OF ALL KINDS,

BOUND IN THE BEST STYLE,

AT PRICES TO SUIT THE HARD

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Everybody is satisfied with the work

done by

JAMES D. TAYLOR,

North side Queen Square, over R. K.

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March 31, 1888—ly

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POTATOES!

WE handled 100,000 Bushels

Potatoes this Season and

made money for our Shippers. We

get outside prices. We want a few

more good Shippers. Will send

market reports each week if desired.

We also handle Apples, Hay, Pro-

duce, Eggs, Beans, Dried Fruits, etc.

We satisfy our Shippers, make quick

cash returns. We refer to Mercan-

tile Agencies Bank.

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D. A. MACKINNON, LL. B.,

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Solicitor in Equity,

NOTARY PUBLIC,

Commissioner of Deeds, Wills, &c.

MONEY TO LOAN.

Georgetown, November 21, 1888—3mo

HAYWARD'S

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FREEMAN'S

WORM POWDERS.

Are pleasant to take. Contain their own

Protective. Is a safe, sure, and effective

destroyer of worms in Children or Adults.

The Herald is kept on file in the

office of the New York Printing &

Advertising Co. Equitable Building,

History of St. Dunstan's College,
Charlottetown, With Some Ac-
count of Old St. Andrew's.

The first Catholic College of the
Maritime Provinces was that of
St. Andrew's, P. E. I., built in 1822
by Bishop McDonnell.

In the year 1796 Captain Burns
one of the proprietors or signers in
the Eastern part of Prince Edward
Island, towards the head of the
Ellisborough River, announced his
intention of selling his property and
returning to Scotland. The Rev.
Bishop McDonnell, at that time the
only Catholic missionary in the
Province, saw in this his opportunity
of securing a desirable parochial
farm, and with that end in
view collected £100 from the high-
land emigrants, borrowed £50 from
one Mr. Blanchard, a well-to-do Acad-
ian at Rastico, and purchased three
hundred acres from Captain Burns.

Upon this estate was an old log
cabin, in which the Rev. Father
lived while superintending the
clearing of the land and the prepara-
tion of the timber for the
church, the building of which was
commenced about year 1806.

After providing a church for his
flock, Mr. McDonnell began to turn
his attention towards furnishing
them with a school, so that young
aspirants to the priesthood might
receive at least a rudimentary edu-
cation before going up to the Sem-
inary at Quebec. He petitioned the
king for aid in this matter, and with
such good results that a bonus of
fifty pounds sterling was awarded to
him as an annual grant, to be used
in the maintenance of the Sem-
inary. A large two-story house was
then erected upon the hill at St. An-
drew's, to the westward of the exist-
ing church; this, of course, was not
accomplished without the generous
aid of all the Catholics of the Pro-
vince. The bishop himself, as says
tradition, furnished the boards,
shingles and nails at his own ex-
pense. In this house a school for
boys was opened in 1822, one year
after the consecration of Bishop Mc-
Donnell. St. Andrew's College was
productive of much good, and fur-
nished two bishops and twenty-two
priests to the church in Canada.

As time wore on, the Catholic of
Prince Edward Island increased in
number and in prosperity; educa-
tion was eagerly sought for, and the
old College of St. Andrew's was not
sufficiently central to be accessible to
all. In the days of Bishop Mc-
Donnell it had been for a while His
Lordship's residence, and even after
he removed to his own house it was
within easy distance and close to
the chief metropolitan church of the
Island. But when the Rev. Father
Reverend Donald Bernard MacDon-
nell received the mitre, a change
was beginning to be noticeable in
Prince Edward Island. The farm-
house was becoming more prosper-
ous, and their sons were striking
out in new directions to grapple
with and overcome the difficulties
presented by the "forest primeval."

"The fortress" the Irish immigra-
tion commenced, and soon the tink-
ling of the altar bell was heard in
Charlottetown. The first Mass pub-
licly celebrated in the capital of
Prince Edward Island was offered
by Father Luke Fitzsimmons, a
Recollet Friar. In a very interest-
ing article written some years ago
by Mr. John Giffney, the U. S. A.
Vice Consul at Charlottetown, there is
a graphic account of this service,
and also of the second public Mass
there, which was held in a two-story
house on Water Street, nearly oppo-
site to P. E. I. Railway Station, on
which occasion an old Protestant
gentleman of marked peculiarities
chanced to intrude. This old gentle-
man started a while at the devout
congregation, and walked to the
altar with his hat on, whereupon
two stout Irishmen, moving to put
him out, he made off, and reported
through the town that he "had seen
a lodge of Freemasons in the full
working order!" From this small
beginning the Catholic congregation
was formed; it soon took large
proportions, although chiefly com-
posed of the working classes—poor as
to this world's goods.

Bishop MacDonnell received the
episcopal consecration on the 15th
of October, 1837, and continued as
Bishop to reside at Rastico, the
much-loved scene of his pastoral
labors for the eight years previous to
his proclamation. This, however,
did not prevent His Lordship from
seeing that the capital would one
day be the centre of Catholicity in
Prince Edward Island. He there-
fore, as soon as possible, set about
furnishing that city with a pro-
cathedral—the same which still does
duty, although in every way in-
adequate to the needs of the popu-
lation. The church, which the Bishop
turned his attention to the educa-

tion of the young people of the
Island, was the first step towards
the establishment of a permanent
Catholic school in the capital.

In September, 1854, the following
pastoral was issued:

Bernard Donald MacDonnell, by
the grace of God and appointment
of His Holiness, Pope Pius IX.,
Bishop of Charlottetown, etc., etc.

To the Clergy and Laity of the Dio-
cese of Charlottetown:

DEARLY BELOVED BROTHERS—
We now address you with affec-
tionate interest on a subject which
is so gratifying to you. From the
time we were charged with the
spiritual care of this destitute di-
ocese we fully comprehended that a
regular succession of clergy could not
be maintained without a dis-
tinct seminary, however humble in
its pretensions. To effect so desir-
able an object we hesitated not,
some years ago, to give the savings
of many years, being all we posses-
sed, to purchase a piece of land in the
vicinity of Charlottetown, on which
has since been erected, entirely by
means of successive donations re-
ceived from the Society for the Pro-
pagation of the Faith, established in
France, a magnificent building, in
which it is intended to give a liter-
ary, moral and religious education
to all who choose to avail themselves
of it. Circumstances, to which we
need not allude now, prevented us

from, ere this, putting this institu-
tion into active operation. But now,
considering the general prosperity of
the country, the time seems to have
arrived that, to deprive any longer
the faithful of Our diocese of ex-
hibiting a neglect of duty on Our
part, an unjustifiable diffidence of
God's assisting Providence, as also
of your justly expected co-operation.
We, therefore, seize this occasion to
announce to you that it is Our
intention to open the College for the
reception of pupils on or before the
1st of January next. We exhort
you to contribute cheerfully towards
its support according to your means.
It is an obligation of pressing im-
portance. Donations of any sort
will be thankfully received. The
ecclesiastical state, especially here,
is not a profession to prepare his
clergy for which a parent will make
extraordinary sacrifices, in the ex-
pectation that the future income will
indemnify the present outlay; and
the education necessary for a priest
is one not to acquire without con-
siderable time and no small ex-
pense.

After a long continued exhortation
to his people regarding the duty now
involved, we have the honor to
raise a diocesan clergy, so that their
own sons might minister at their
altars, the bishop concludes with the
words of St. Paul: "And we have
confidence in you, brethren, that you
will do all that things which we
command you both to do and will do,
and the Lord direct your hearts in
the charity of God and the patience
of Christ Jesus our Lord." The
grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be
with you all. Amen.

Given at Rastico this 21st of
September, 1854.

† B. D., Bishop of Charlottetown.

THOMAS PHILAN, Secretary.

It was not until the 17th January,
1858, that St. Dunstan's College was
opened with the Rev. Angus Mc-
Donald as Rector and Professor, and
Mr. (afterwards Rev.) James Phelan
as assistant Professor. The opening
ceremony was attended by eighteen
students, among whom were:

Rev. Ronald Bernard MacDonnell,
S. J., the once popular and beloved
pastor of Miscouche, who at the
time of his entering college was but
eleven years of age.

The Rev. Donald Francis Mc-
Donald, the present genial parish
priest of Souris, P. E. I.

The Rev. Neil Macdonell, S. J.,
President of the St. Francis Xavier's
College, New York.

The Rev. Donald James Gregory
McDonald, of St. Margaret's, Bear
River, P. E. I.

The Rev. James Eneas MacDonnell,
of St. Joseph's, Deshaibe, and St.
Anne's, Lot 65, P. E. I.

The Rev. Dugald McDonald, of
St. Anne's, P. E. I.

The Rev. Father John T. Giffney, P. E. I.

The Rev. Father Philip, the silver
bell of whose sacerdotal jubilee are
now chiming throughout his parishes
of Summerside, Kirkcubright and
Cape Traverse, P. E. I.

Mr. E. L. Lewis, who did an
ecclesiastical, and Mr. Henry O'Meara,
the well-known Boston journalist.

The following year saw added to
this list of qualifiers of the Pictian
spring:

Mr. Patrick Bowers, the clever
editor of the Newfoundland Colonist,
who, to whose enterprise that isolated
Province owes her first illustrated
paper.

In 1859 there came to St. Dun-
stan's a boy who was destined in
after years to shine as a bright star
in the firmament of literature—Mr.
Jeffrey Macdonell.

Mr. Roche is best known in Prince Edward
Island as Mr. John Boyle O'Reilly's
assistant in the editing of the Boston
Pilot; but out in the great world,
Bishop MacDonnell breathed his last.
Within its walls, and where neither
local prejudice nor partisanship has
any place, the gifted author of
"Songs and Satires" shines with a
brilliant all his own, and amid the
most exclusive literary circles of
unapproachable Boston he holds a
high rank, and his acquaintance is
eagerly sought after.

On the 12th of September, 1863,
there arrived at St. Dunstan's one
who was destined, within two de-
cades, to receive the Mitre and
Pallium of the Archdiocese of Hal-
ifax—the Most Reverend Cornelius
O'Brien.

In 1861 the Honorable William
Wilfrid Sullivan, to-day Premier and
Attorney-General of Prince Edward
Island, was a pupil at St. Dunstan's.

And Rev. Cornelius O'Brien, who
also one of the alumni of St. Dun-
stan's; so also Mr. A. B. Warburton,
Barrister, of Charlottetown, and his
distinguished brother.

That the ever-increasing number
of successful young Catholics in
Prince Edward Island, who were
Priests, Lawyers, Doctors and Mer-
chants, drew their knowledge from
this fountain, goes without saying.

In the year 1868-9 the Rev.
Father Nolin, O. M. E. of Ottawa,
was on the teaching staff of St.
Dunstan's.

At the commencement of the
scholastic term, in the autumn of
1869, Monsignor McDonald, now of
St. Andrew's, succeeded the Rev.
Angus McDonald as Rector, with
Mr. John Caven, of Edinburgh, as
head Professor.

In 1874, a year after the return of
the Rev. Monsignor McDonald from
Rome, he was appointed head Pro-
fessor, a position which he relin-
quished to take charge of St. Mary's
Mission, Indian River.

In 1880 His Lordship Bishop
Montgomery, who, in succeeding to the
diocese of Charlottetown, had in-
herited his predecessor's love and
devotion to St. Dunstan's College,
decided to put that institution on a
different footing, and with that
intent called the Fathers of the Society
of Jesus to his aid. In September,
1880, Rev. Father George Kenny, S. J.,
took possession as President,
having under him Rev. Father Frank
Ryan, S. J., Rev. William Gagnier,

and two other scholastics as
professors, and Rev. Father Plants,
S. J., as Father minister.

This arrangement held but for a
year. Owing to the arising of un-
foreseen difficulties, the agreement
between the Bishop and Jesuits was
annulled, and the latter returned to
Montreal.

In September, 1881, St. Dunstan's
opened with Rev. John Chaisson,
D. D., as Rector. When in 1882
Dr. Chaisson succeeded Archbishop
O'Brien in the pastorate of Indian
River, he was replaced at St. Dun-
stan's by the late Rev. William
Grant, D. D. In 1883 Dr. Grant's
health commenced to give way, and
he retired from active work, and
was succeeded in the Rectorship of
St. Dunstan's College by the Rev.
James Charles McDonald, who had
been for many years in charge of
the mission of Georgetown. It was
a very sad day for the Catholics of
Georgetown when they first learned
that their beloved pastor was to
leave them, and the sacrifice for
"Father Charles" was equally
great. But the call was in the voice
of duty, and the man of duty obeyed.
From the day upon which the pre-
sent Rector took the College in hand
he has been steadily prosperous.
There is now a staff of eight Pro-
fessors, the chief of whom is Rev.
John Alexander McDonald, and an
average attendance of between fifty
and sixty boarders. The number of
day scholars is in proportion small,
on account of the distance from the
city. It is not necessary to have a
very long purse in order to send
your sons to St. Dunstan's College.
Board, tuition, bed, bedding, wash-
ing and medical attendance are all
included in the modest sum of one
hundred and twelve dollars per
annum.

Quite a feature in the commercial
course, which is eminently practical,
and conducted on the most approved
modern principles. Science, Mathe-
matics and Mental Philosophy are
also taught. In fact, to the feminine,
and therefore usually untrained
mind, the list of "branches" in-
cluded is positively appalling, and it
is a treat to turn from them to the
managements which are by no means
less taught. Chief of these is football,
then cricket, for which St. Dunstan's
boys have always been famous. In
both of these games the St. Dun-
stan's team have won laurels over in
Nova Scotia. Baseball is also a fa-
vorite game. Then the Band—the
fine new Band that has lately been
started under such happy auspices.
The College Glee Club is well known
in musical circles. The two literary
societies, that of St. Thomas for the
English boys, and that of Notre
Dame de L'Assomption for the
French ones, also do good work.

The colleges, which are a standing
and a half from the city, surrounded
by its 250 acres of land. Around it
are blossoming gardens and fruitful
orchards, spacious playgrounds, a
fine farm, and from all directions
flow briny breezes straight from
the Gulf.

The building itself was originally
built of wood, but was afterwards
encased in brick, by Bishop Mc-
Donald. This was His Lordship's
first undertaking after his consecra-
tion. To assist in defraying the
very considerable cost of the brick
overlaying, the Sisters of the Con-
gregation of Notre Dame held a
Bazaar in the College on the 8th of
July, 1863.

This was the first Catholic Bazaar
ever held in the diocese. It was
very successful, for over 2500 were
realized.