MacDonald-Horgan Wedding

A wedding of much interest took place at Holy Redeemer Church on Wednesday, Sept. 15th when the Rev. E. Baldwin, C.S.S.R. united in marriage Mary Isabel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Horgan of Charlottetown and Allan Augustine, eldest son of Mrs. and the late Charles MacDonald of Mt. Stewart.

Given in marriage by her father the bride looked lovely in a floor length gown of white slipper satin with long sleeves coming to a point over the hand, sweetheart neckline, fitted bodice and full skirt. Her fingertip veil fell from a pleated net halo, and she carried a bouquet of red roses and carnations intermingled with Baby's Breath. Her only ornaments were a pearl necklace and ear-rings to match, gift of the groom.

She was attended by her sister, Miss Rita as bridesmaid who wore a floor length gown of pink nylon over taffeta with boat neckline, fitted bodice and full skirt. Her shoulder length veil fell from a pleated net halo and she carried a bouquet of snapdragon with fern.

The groom was ably supported by his brother Wilfred.

During the Nuptial Mass beautiful hymns were rendered by Miss Maureen Brown of Charlottetown.

The groom's gift to the bridesmaid was an opal rosary, and to the groom a Ronson lighter.

After the ceremony a dainty wedding breakfast was served at the Queen Hotel to the immediate families of the wedded couple.

Later in the day the couple left by plane on a honeymoon trip to certain points in the Maritimes.

On their return they took up residence in Charlottetown where their many friends wish them many years of happiness.

KELLY-SINNOTT WEDDING

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the Little Flower Church, Morell, on Wednesday, Aug. 18th, at 8.30 a.m. by Rev. Phelan MacKenna when Mary Isobel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Sinnott of Bristol was united in marriage to William Alphonsus Kelly, son of Mr. William Kelly and the late Mrs. Kelly of Morell.

The church was decorated with fern and gladioli in pastel shades.

The bride entered the church on the arm of her father to the strains of the Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin played by the church organist, Owen Kelly.

Her wedding gown was of white satin fashioned with long sleeves, coming to a point over the hand, and sweetheart neckline trimmed with tiny pearls. The skirt fell in graceful folds ending in a slight train. Her finger-tip veil was of tulle illusion and fell from a Queen Anne headdress. She carried an arm bouquet of red roses, baby's breath and maiden hair fern. Her only ornament was a single strand of pearls.

Miss Mabel Sinnott was bridesmaid for her sister. She was attired in a gown of yellow nylon sheer with shoulder-length veil, and carried a nosegay of pink snapdragon.

Little Miss Theresa O'Brien, gowned in blue nylon sheer with headdress in blue, and carrying a basket of mixed flowers, was flower girl for the bride.

Mr. John Gaudet was best man. Mr. Owen Sinnott and Mr. P. R. Sinnott were the ushers.

The bride's mother wore grey with black accessories. Her corsage was pink snapdragon.

The groom's mother wore black with black accessories. Her corsage was of mixed flowers.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents.

The bride's table was centred with a three-tier wedding cake, surrounded by tiny vases of flowers, pink tapers and pink and white streamers. The toast to the bride was proposed by Rev. Phelan McKenna and responded to by the groom.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly left by plane at 5 o'clock for a honeymoon trip through the Maritimes. The bride travelled in navy blue crepe with accessories to match and carried a shortie coat of a lighter blue shade. On their return one week later, a reception in their honor was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Murphy, Morell.

Prior to her marriage the bride was the guest of honor at a shower at Lakeside Beach given by the members of the Morell C. Y. O. of which she is the secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly will reside in Morell.

HAZELBROOK AND VICINITY

Mrs. Louis Young was a visitor to the city on Thursday.

Mr. Don Acorn, Village Green, was a visitor to the city Thursday.

Messrs Athol Buell and Elbert Penny were visitors to Hazelbrook.

The cucumber season is over, and the growers report a very profitable season.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Blair McCallum on their recent marriage.

Friends of Mr. Vernon Wood are sorry to hear that he is confined to his home with a sprained ankle.

Miss Hannah crane, Riverton, is visiting here, the guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Crane.

Messrs Elmer Myers, and Lester Rankin, motored to New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, on Wednesday, where they attended the horse races.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bennet and daughters Melda and Freda spent the week-end with Mrs. Bennet's sister, Mrs. Percy Pippy and family.

Reddin-Haines Nuptials

At a very pretty early autumn wedding which took place in St. Dunstan's Basilica, Charlottetown, P. E. I., on Monday morning, September 6th, 1948, Miss Julia Estelle Haines, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Haines, of Moncton, N. B., became the wife of Mr. William Arthur Reddin, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Reddin of Charlottetown.

The marriage ceremony was performed by Right Reverend Doctor R. V. MacKenzie, Rector of St. Dunstan's University, Charlottetown, who also celebrated the Nuptial Mass.

The main altar of the Church was beautifully decorated with gladioli in Autumn shades, while baskets of white gladioli were arranged at the entrance to the Sanctuary.

The charming bride was very lovely in her beautiful gown of white moire taffeta, designed with full skirt, fitted bodice with scalloped bertha-effect neckline and lace yoke, with a pearl necklace. Her finger-tip veil was draped from a halo of natural white roses and she carried a magnificent bouquet of yellow roses.

Miss Felice Arsenault as bridesmaid, was most attractive in a gown of American beauty taffeta of the same model as the bride's, with matching lace mittens and a halo of cream gladioli as a headdress. A circular bouquet of cream gladioli with loops of green ribbon completed her ensemble.

Doctor Ivan Wilson of Halifax very capably performed the duties of groomsman and the ushers were Mr. Joseph MacMillan, Mr. Ivan Trainor and Mr. Somerled Trainor of Charlottetown.

Mr. Albert Blanchard was organist and Mr. Frank MacIntyre very pleasingly rendered hymns appropriate to the occasion.

Following the ceremony a reception and breakfast were held at the Queen Hotel. During the breakfast, Mr. Roy Smallman, accompanied by Mr. Paul Cudmore, sang "Where'er You Walk" and "I'll Walk Beside You," much to the enjoyment of the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Reddin then left on their wedding trip, the bride travelling in a suit of grey wool with wine colored accessories.

The bride, a graduate of Acadia and Cornell Universities, has been associated with the P. E. I. Red Cross Society as Nutritionist and has made many friends throughout the Province.

Mr. Reddin, a well-known barrister of Charlottetown, is a graduate of St. Dunstan's University and of Dalhousie Law School, Halifax.

WEDDING BELLS

St. Christopher Church, Port Viau, Quebec, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Saturday, August 7th, when Edith Gallant, daughter of Mrs. Mary Gallant and the late Reuben Gallant formerly of Toronto Road, P. E. I. was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Florentin Gallant, son of Mr. John Gallant and the late Marie Anne Pitre also formerly of Toronto Road, P. E. I. Rev. Fr. Lucien LeBeau officiated at the ceremony and celebrated the nuptial mass. The lovely bride was attired in a floor length gown of white sheer. She wore a three quarter length veil and a corsage of red roses.

They were attended by Severin Gallant and Theodore Gallant, close friends of the bride and groom.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the Vanda Hotel, where the immediate friends and relatives of the couple partook of a sumptuous wedding breakfast. Mr. and Mrs. Gallant left later for a wedding trip to St. Agaete, Quebec. For travelling the bride was attired in pale blue suit with white accessories.

The happy couple have taken up residence at 265 Berri St., Port Viai. The groom is employed as assistant technician at L.P.O.D. Montreal. Before her marriage the bride was a valued employee of Milton's Old Spain, Charlottetown.

Best wishes follow Mr. ans Mrs. Gallant for a long and happy wedded life.

QUINN-LEGAULT WEDDING

A pretty wedding was solemnized at Saint Dunstan's Basilica, Wednesday morning, September 22, when Rev. Dr. P. McMahon united in marriage Mary Veronica, daughter of Mrs. Fred Larkins and the late Richard Quinn, of this city, and Gerard Legault, son of Mrs. Legault and the late Eluthere Legault of Montreal.

The bride wore a full length white flowered crepe bridal gown and carried a bouquet of American Beauty roses. Her veil was half length white net held in place by a crown effect. The maid of honor was Miss Frances Quinn, sister of the bride, who wore a floor length turquoise taffeta gown and carried a bouquet of snapdragons and carnations. The bridesmaid was another sister of the bride, Miss Marjorie Quinn. She wore a full length pink flowered lace gown and also carried a bouquet of snapdragons and carnations. The groomsman was Mr. Hubert Quinn, a brother of the bride. Mrs. Larkins, mother of the bride, wore a floor length black crepe dress with contrasting accessories of grey. The bride was given in marriage by her stepfather, Mr. Fred Larkins.

Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served to the wedding party at the home of the bride and that evening a reception attended by 60 guests, was also held. The dining-room was decorated for the occasion in white and pink as was the bride's chair. Prior to and following the supper the guests spent a pleasant evening in dancing and entertainment.

The newly married couple left later for their new home in Montreal, where the groom is employed.

For travelling the bride chose a charming fitted grey suit with black accessories.

Historic Church Of Scotland At Desable

(By J. L. M.)

The Church of Scotland, DeSable, has a historic background, being one of the first churches erected in Prince Edward Island for Rev. Donald MacDonald, who came from Perthshire, Scotland, as a missionary of the Church of Scotland.

This man of marvellous power and oratory, who was a graduate of Saint Andrews University, had been ordained by the Presbytery of Abertarff, Scotland. He maintained the supreme authority of the Bible as a rule of life and conduct. After his arrival in Lower Montague by schooner in 1826, he preached his first sermon at Aitken's Ferry in a barn, which is still in good repair.

At this time there were but primitive dwellings and small clearings along the shores and rivers, backed by a forest that stood almost unbroken in its primeval grandeur. There were no roads—the only means of travel, by walking or horseback, were slow, dangerous and difficult. Sermons were preached in private homes, barns and on hillsides, until churches were built.

As in the time of the Apostles, Mr. MacDonald carried no scrip nor purse and made his abode wherever he might be. His zealous labors were abundantly blessed in the conversion of many. Approximately two years after his landing in the province, a great revival spread among the people and lasted for ten years. In 1845 he had ten congregations and ten meeting houses. During the annual communion service the large attendance could not gain admittance to the building and an open air service would be conducted on the grounds by another minister of the Presbytery of Egerton.

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Pictured above is the second church erected on the same site. The old one was sold to Mr. William MacKinnon, who rafted it down the river to Canoe Cove and converted it into a barn. As the congregation grew, the first church which was built on land leased from Mr. Donald MacKay, (his grandson, Mr. Hector MacKay, deeded the land to the church in 1928), became inadequate and the present imposing structure took its place in 1852. It is situated on a wooded hill overlooking the DeSable River and is a landmark for travellers both by land and by sea. The elders at this time were Messrs. Duncan Matheson, Archibald MacDougall, Charles MacQuarrie, Archibald MacAlder, Neil Stewart, Donald MacQuarrie, Alexander MacKay and Donald MacKay. A second revival under his ministry began in 1858.

By this time the field had grown so large that it took three months to make a circuit of his charge, thus devoting four Sabbaths a year to each of his fourteen preaching stations, which were from Murray Harbor in the east to Richmond Bay in the west and embracing the whole width. The present DeSable church has had few alterations, with the exception of its being repaired and redecorated during the years. Originally there had been a square tower but due to the efforts of Mrs. William MacDonald, it was changed to a spire similar to the present Cape Traverse church, and a Scotch Thistle added to its peak. Fifteen years ago the old pews were replaced by new ones under the supervision of Messrs. David and Alex Ferguson.

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Within the church on the north side is the closed in high pulpit, old country style, to which the minister ascended by seven steps to deliver his sermons. The extensive hand carving in an artistic design on the pulpit and gallery was done by Mr. J. Weeks. The gallery extends across the two ends and one side. The seating, which was the style of the old parish churches, is east and west in the main body of the building and north and south on each side of the pulpit. This church, including the gallery, will accommodate approximately one thousand people. On an elevated platform, surrounded by a railing, directly in front of the pulpit are the elders who lead in the singing of the psalms. The pulpit Bible was presented in memory of Angus MacKinnon and Elizabeth Campbell MacKinnon by their daughter, Catherine MacKinnon Sargent in 1935. The present elders include Messrs. Stewart Inman, Harry MacNevin, William Gillis and John MacQuarrie; and the trustees are Messrs. Archibald Shaw, Alfred Cameron and Stewart Inman.

On August 16, 1845, Rev. Dr. Norman MacLeod, who had been chaplain to Queen Victoria for thirty-five years, preached in the DeSable Meeting House to a large congregation. He and his uncle, Rev. J. MacGilvray, had been commissioned by the Mother Church of Scotland to visit the congregations throughout Canada.

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After the death of Rev. D. MacDonald, who had established fourteen churches with five thousand adherents, this congregation was cared for by Rev. James MacColl, who, after a few years, returned to Scotland. The old Kirk members of the Church of Scotland Synod of Nova Scotia and the ministering elders carried on the work of a pastor until 1875 when Rev. John Goodwill, a returned missionary from the Isle of Esperitu Santo in New Hebrides was sent to relieve. He remained for over forty years in a faithful and earnest ministry during which time a third revival was experienced by the congregation. Church extension prospered richly so that in 1890 it was necessary to divide the field into three separate parishes, with inducted ministers. After Mr. Goodwill's death, Rev. James MacDougall, an eloquent speaker, labored zealously and earnestly until his sudden passing in 1922. His brother, Rev. Ewen MacDougall, B.D., who had been inducted into the eastern parish in 1908, took the oversight of this church as well. He faithfully carried on the work of his predecessors until 1937 when he received the Higher Call. Rev. J. H. Bishop was the next pastor, but due to ill health he resigned in 1947 and was succeeded by Rev. Horace MacEwen, the present preacher.

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Near the front door of the church is a beautiful lime tree, which was planted by Rev. James MacColl, during his ministry. This Summer the north roof of the building was shingled and it was difficult to remove the hand cut nails from the shingles of split red pine, which were the original ones on the church. A second covering of cedar shingles had been added many years ago.

Included among the visiting ministers to this church were Reverends: Daniel MacLean, D. M. Campbell, E. C. Robertson, J. S. Lowry, Richard Westaway, Victor Bucci, F. Zitzmann, W. J. Campbell (President of the Theological Department, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee), and from the Free Church of Scotland were Dr. John MacLeod, Dr. Campbell, Dr. Rennick, Rev. D. MacDonald, Rev. Malcolm Galbraith.

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Early Church History In P.E.I.

(Uncle Joe)

We are told the chapel was made of square rough stone. For a time it stood without windows, doors or roof, as there was no money to buy nails, glass and other necessities. The fixtures, too, were very primitive. The pulpit for instance, was a large block of wood, and a cluster of candles about it was the only means of illumination the place afforded.

Came the day of dedication. The little chapel was crowded with people who came long distances to be present at the opening. It was a great event in the lives of the settlers and they expressed their joy by shouting and singing. This was a great step forward. No longer would they be obliged to hold services in the farm homes which were entirely inadequate to meet the needs of a growing congregation.

That same year, a Mr. James Laird of Vernon River Valley, gave twelve acres of land to the denomination for the use of the minister. On this site the Manse was erected and Mr. Metherall worked side by side with the farmers till the building was finished. Metherall and the Missionary Society furnished the necessary funds to complete the job. He continued to occupy this home till he left to carry on his labors at the West Cape Circut. But the crude little manse continued to serve as a residence for the Vernon River ministers till 1880.

Some years later a barn was erected in the same twelve acre plot, the frame-timbers being shaped at the home of the Scenchbouch Brothers, Murray Harbour. The frame was hauled to Vernon River during the night, a distance of about twenty-four miles, and put together the following day.

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A second place of worship was built at Wheatley River and opened for divine worship August 28, 1838. Philip James was assistant at the opening service by Mr. Metherall. The membership had gradually been increasing and now stood at 106 souls.

Soon the good work was extended to St. Eleanor's and Bideford, the latter place being an important shipbuilding centre in those days. Most of the settlers of this district formerly belonged to Bideford, in North Devon, England. Bideford proved a furtile field for missionary work, and a church was subsequently built here. Here, too, sprang up a flurishing congregation which lasted until the shipbuilding industry passed away.

In 1880 the church property passed into the hands of the Methodists.

But the cry of the missionary was, "forward!" Now we find Francis Metherall at Cascumpec. O'Leary Road. West Cape and Cape Wolf, where tradition says General Wolfe landed and had breakfast before starting up the Gulf to Victory and death in the plains of Abraham.

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The Rev. G. Webster writing in 1873 on the opening of this Western front, says, "The country was new, sparcely settled and the missionaries experienced many hardships in opening up this field, but God has blessed them, and we have a West Cape Mission today; that promises to become one of the Circuits on the Island."

From 1837 to 1840 few records are available to shed light on what went on during those years.

The new fragments which have been able to glean from this and that source, would seem to indicate that Mr. Metherall and Rev. W. Kinley were busily engaged in working their widely-scattered Circuits, gathering the people into the church fold and consolidating the work generally — all pioneer labor of the kind that tired men's souls and bodies. They were among the builders and sowers whose work has reached down to the present day.

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When the log church was built at Wheatley River, a series of revivals was conducted in which Metherall, James, and some local preachers took part. The meetings were a great success from the start and many families dedicated themselves to God.

During the month of July, 1839, other revival meetings were held in the Union Road Church, with Metherall and James as the speakers. Many converts were brought under the banner of the Lord, which was a great source of comfort to the missionaries, who had labored so long and laboriously to further the Kingdom of God in the backward and sin trodden people of Prince Edward Island.

(To be continued)

Thomson-Campbell Wedding Bells

The North Tryon Presbyterian Church, Saturday, Sept. 18th, was the scene of one of the prettiest weddings of the season, when Marion Joyce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Thomson, became the bride of Walter Warren, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Campbell, Freetown.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. MacGowan. To the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March which was very beautifully played by Mrs. Clayton Thomas, the bride entered the church on the arm of her brother. Mr. Arthur Thomson, by whom she was given in marriage.

The bride looked very charming in a floor-length gown of white nylon taffeta draped with rows of lace fashioned with fitted bodice and long sleeves coming to a point over the hand.

Her embroidered trimmed veil was fastened in place with a coronet of orange blossoms and flowed to the floor into a long train. She carried a bouquet of red roses and baby's breath. Her only ornament was an expansion bracelet, gift of the groom.

She had as her attendants her sister, Phyllis as maid of honour, who was gowned in blush pink net over taffeta and carried a bouquet of Talisman roses, and Mrs. Bertram Thomson as bridesmaid, who was attired in pale blue net over taffeta and carried a bouquet of pink roses. They wore lace mitts and matching headdress with shoulder length veils.

The winsome little flower girl, Carol Thomson, looked very sweet in a floor-length dress of pale green moira and carried a basket of sweat peas.

The groom was ably supported by Walter Stavert, Freetown. Messrs. Charles Thomson and Claude Paynter ushered in the guests and Mr. Warren Delaney ushered the spectators. During the signing of the register Mr. J. B. Lewis very effectively rendered "I'll Walk Beside You."

The church was prettily decorated with cut flowers and evergreen.

The bride's mother chose a street-length gown of black-wool crepe with matching accessories and wore a corsage of red roses The groom's mother wore a street-length dress of cocoa brown crepe with matching accessories and a corsage of yellow roses.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents where a delightful buffet supper was served to seventy guests. Mrs. Ray Lidstone and Mrs. Arthur Dawson presided over the tea cups, while these assisting in serving were Miss Jean Murhead, Mildred Thomson, Helen Sherren, Mrs. George Roper and Mrs. Arthur Thomson. Miss Estella Thomas and Mrs. Frank Dixon cut the ices.

After the reception, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell left on a honeymoon trip to different parts of the Maritimes. The bride travelled in a beige gaberdine dress with a raspberry red top coat and matching accessories.

Previous to the wedding the bride was tendered a miscellaneous shower where she received many lovely and useful gifts.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dawson,, New York and Mrs. Winnie Fear, Saranac Lake.

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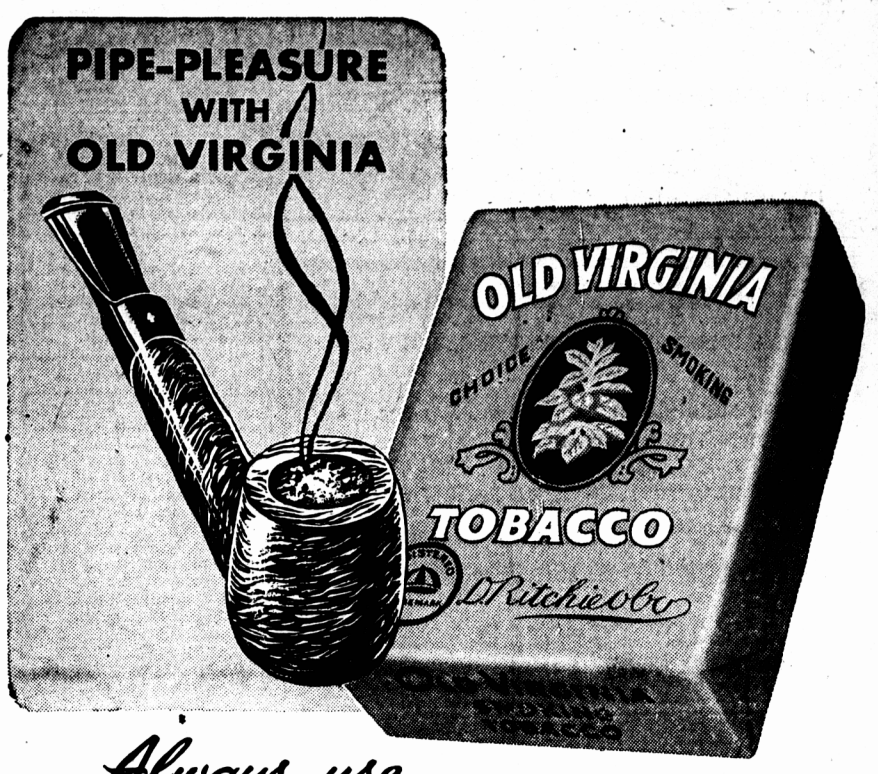

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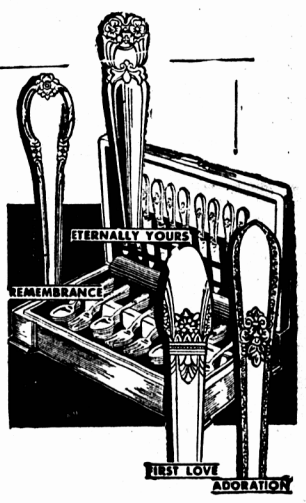

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