



DALVAY-BY-THE-SEA

## Queen To Visit N. Shore

On their visit to the Island this summer, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth and H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh will visit the Dalvay area of the North Shore in the National Park.

In this connection it is interesting to recall the history of the imposing structure known as "Dalvay-by-the-Sea."

It was built in 1895 for Alexander MacDonald, vice-president of the Standard Oil Company, as a summer residence. Mr. MacDonald, when young, migrated from Scotland to the United States, where he found employment. Being interested in oil, he held concessions in Indiana, which he sold to the Standard Oil Company and became its vice-president. This energetic gentleman purchased a beautiful estate in Cincinnati, Ohio, and named it "Dalvay" after his birthplace in Scotland.

**TRAVELED**

To Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald was born one child, a daughter, Beatrice, and they travelled in every worthwhile country in the world. Miss Beatrice married Edmund Stallo, son of the Italian Ambassador to the United States; and to that union were born three children — a boy, who died in infancy and two girls, Helene

and Laura. When the girls were very young, they were adopted by the maternal grandparents after the death of their mother.

**TO TRACADIE**

In planning for summer vacation Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald looked for a place they had not previously visited with their granddaughters and their objective was the old Acadia Hotel in Tracadie. Looking across country, Mr. MacDonald was attracted by the site upon which "Dalvay-by-the-Sea" is now erected. Before his return to Ohio, he purchased this property, and made arrangements with George Longworth to have a summer home constructed, using all native materials. The contractor was Rhodes and Currie of Amherst, Nova Scotia.

**AND COACHMAN**

The Misses Helene and Laura who were educated by English and French governesses, came with their European and American friends to this beautiful summer resort. Each spring the saddle horses arrived from Ohio, also their coachman, Thomas Horgan. On the premises were basket phaetons, double seated carriages, jaunting carts, and coaches. A Tallyho, once drawn by four horses may still be seen on this estate. Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald and family were regular attendants on Sunday mornings at the West Covehead Presbyterian Church.

One summer Mr. MacDonald became very ill and was obliged to call a nurse, Miss May MacDonald, who was so well-liked that she was associated with the family for many years, travelling with them on trips abroad. Miss MacDonald later married Judge MacQuarrie, Summerside, where she resided until her death.

**FIREPLACE**

In 1899, Mr. MacDonald decided to enlarge his dwelling by adding a wing. The contractor at this time was M. F. Schurman Company, while Samuel Arbing constructed the huge fireplace of Island stone.

Miss Laura's personal maid, Rose, was a native of Paris. She and William Hughes, the caretaker of the estate, fell in love and were married. They occupied the cottage nearby. In the meantime, Miss Laura was married to Prince Rossigliosi of Italy and Miss Helene to Count Murat of France.

Mr. MacDonald passed away in 1910 at Long Beach, California, having bequeathed many millions

to each granddaughter, as well as Dalvay-by-the-Sea. Mr. Stallo, executor of the will, was unfortunately in his investments, and practically all their holdings were lost. Prince and Princess Rossigliosi spent part of the summer of 1915 at Dalvay-by-the-Sea. Because of the war the Prince was recalled to Italy, and Princess Laura, not wishing her children educated in Italy, returned to New York.

**CAPTAIN DICKS**

As no one was interested in keeping up this property, Mr. Hughes purchased it very reasonably, and after three years sold to William O'Leary, Montreal, a brother of Bishop O'Leary, who resided there during the summer. Captain Edward Dicks was the next occupant, and in 1931 opened a first-class summer hotel. The late Hon. George DeBlois was the next owner, who in turn sold to the Federal Government in 1938. It was to become one of the chief attractions at the National Park. The late James MacFadyen, president of the North Shore Hotel Company, leased and operated this resort for several years. Later it was operated by Major Wendell Worth. At the present time it is being run by Mr. Raoul Raymond.

Missed, air-cooled Province—the most beautiful I have seen." It's true the Island is air-cooled — for though an average rainfall of only three inches in July and August ensures many days with cloudless skies for outdoor activities, gentle breezes blowing off the Gulf of St. Lawrence keep the average summer daytime temperature to a moderate 72 degrees — and a mecca for everyone who wishes to escape uncomfortably warm summer weather. At night, it cools down to a delightful 55 degrees.

Informality is the key note at Island resorts, so in planning what clothes to bring, you can devote lots of space to comfortable sport clothes in which to enjoy the balmy weather, plus a warm sweater for the evenings, and leave your formal dress at home.

## P. E. I. Is Air-Conditioned

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This quaint town with its traditions linked with the sea has contributed many a hardy seaman, in peace and war, to the shipping lanes of the world. Many attained officer rank and there's many an oldtimer, now retired, who is ready to spin you a yarn. Many fishermen make their homes in the town and it is convenient for visitors to find someone to take them out for a day of deep sea fishing.

Georgetown is also in the historic DeRoma section of the country and here again are beautiful beaches and good trout fishing. Cardigan, a small village, is close by and it too earned a great name in the days of "wooden ships and iron men." It was a well known ship-building centre.

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"The Garden of the Gulf museum" at Montague, is a project of the Montague Junior Board of Trade, and is the first museum in the province. It is open each day during the summer months and receptionists are in attendance to assist with Tourist Information and explain the history of the many and varied items on display.



Harvey Moore's game sanctuary at Milltown Cross, 4 miles from Montague, a must on any Tourist's list of sight seeing. In late fall Mr. Moore has reported as many as 5,000 Canada geese & ducks take advantage of this haven to avoid the anxious guns of the many Hunters. Tourists may see Mr. Moore feeding the birds from his hand when they come from the pond at his call.

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