Let's Talk It Over

by "Q"

There is a town in the Maritimes which has always been progressive but which has the misfortune of having many streets almost devoid of trees. A resident of this town was greatly impressed with the abundance of beautiful trees lining the streets of Summerside. These trees are a precious legacy left to us by those who have gone before us. A lack of trees is something that cannot be remedied in a year. Planting a tree is like "casting your bread upon the waters". The reward comes only after "many days". The poet who said "Only God can make a tree" was right, of course, but man can plant a tree, and it is difficult to think of a monument that will perpetuate his wisdom and foresight better.

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Boys today are receiving advantages in sports which their fathers and grand-dads would have thought were part and parcel of some impossible dream. The boys of today get baseball uniforms, an unending supply of bats, balls, gloves, and even competent coaches to tell them how the game is played.

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Kids of twenty years ago fared differently. The bases were generally tin cans or pieces of wood that could be found about the field. Catcher's masks were few and far between, and not too important, because the ball was often rendered comparatively harmless by an endless succession of extra-base hits.

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The umpire was not quite so all-powerful in those days because if the boy who owned the ball disagreed with a decision, the ump couldn't throw him out of the game for fear he'd take the ball with him.

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Today you hear the complaint that youths become more selfish, unthankful and demanding, the more they receive. But is that to be wondered at so much? Doesn't pampering tend to spoil people, grownups, as well as young ones? Perhaps the fault lies in the kind of instruction they are receiving.

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When a boy is being taught to hold a bat correctly, it might be a good idea to throw in a little tip on the necessity of holding his temper too. While he is being taught to catch flies, why not a little effort to have him catch the idea that good sportsmanship, and the curbing of selfish desires for the sake of the team are the most important victories he can win on a ball field, or in any other field of endeavour.

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We're not minimizing those baseball skills that the boys are being taught. They're important, and will give him a lot of satisfaction and happiness for a number of years. But the ability to hook-slide into second base won't solve any problems after a fellow reaches the age of, say, thirty-five. There are other more enduring lessons that can be taught on a ball field.

Bedeque Male Choir Guests At Borden

—The members of the Bedeque Male Choir were guests at the service in Borden United Church on Sunday, August 17th, and the speaker was Rev. J. M. Baxter, a former pastor of the congregation. Besides assisting in the service of praise the choir rendered a special number which was much appreciated by the congregation.

At the close of the service the Bedeque choir were entertained by the members of the Borden choir at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coggins. Mr. Roland Ramsay, president of the Borden choir, welcomed the guests and thanked them for their participation in the service. Mr. Ralph Callbeck fittingly replied.

The remainder of the evening was spent in a hymn sing, interspersed with solos and duets by different members, after which lunch was served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Lorne Cousins and Misses Anne MacDonald and Nancy Jay.

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Tendered Post Nuptial Shower

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Turner returned from their wedding trip on Tuesday, evening, August 12th, to find their home near Kensington invaded by a great many relatives and friends. Mrs. T. J. Humphrey was hostess for the reception and the shower that followed. The happy couple entered their home to the strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March played by Eleanor MacDonald, cousin of the bride. After all had been received by the bride and groom, Donald MacLellan, as chairman introduced little Marjorie MacArthur who wheeled in a decorated tea cart laden with gifts. Assisting in the shower were: Mrs. Peter MacLellan, Mrs. Daniel Noonan, and Mrs. Fred Parker. The chairman then called upon the co-hostess, Mrs. James Pendergast, to read an address, in which congratulations and appreciation were expressed to the groom and good wishes went with a sincere welcome to the bride. Mr. Orville Clark presented a purse on behalf of friends from Kensington, Indian River and surrounding districts. The groom replied on behalf of himself and his bride, thanking the friends for their gifts and for their presence at this happy gathering, inviting all back again to visit—"but not all at one time".

The bride and groom cut the decorated wedding cake provided by the hostess, and refreshments were served to the more than two hundred guests. The rooms were gay with summer flowers and decorations in blue, gold and white. The Campbell family provided music for dancing.

This happy couple is assured of the good wishes of a host of friends in their journey through life.

Old-Time Charm Retained In The Magdalen Islands

Cap-aux-Meules or Grindstone, taken from the steamer.

By J. L. M.

The isolation of the Magdalen Islands, geographically speaking, lends to their enchantment and to a strong urge to visit them. I have just returned from a visit to these islands, which are fifty-four miles northwest of Cape Breton Island and one hundred miles southwest of Newfoundland in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and are part of the Gaspe district in the Province of Quebec. Their name, sometimes written Madeleine, is derived from La Magdalene applied on the Champlain map of 1632 to Amherst Island. The sixteen islands and islets, some of which are connected by tide-washed causeways, extend in a curve for a distance of sixty miles, the total area being 55,000 acres.

They were discovered in 1534 by Jacques Cartier. When Canada was taken over by the English, Sir Isaac Coffin, a Boston Loyalist, who served as an Admiral in the British navy during the American Revolution was given these islands in 1787 as a reward for services. Much dissatisfaction was felt and after many years of hard relations with Coffin's descendants and the settlers, the Canadian Government in 1903 bought out the last heirs for $100,000. The Government helped the inhabitants purchase the land and gave them liberty from serfdom.

The S.S. Magdalen makes a weekly cruise from Pictou, N.S., to these islands, docking at Amherst, Grindstone and Grand Entry, stopping at Charlottetown on Thursdays en route to take on freight and passengers. It was most interesting to watch the automobiles being hoisted on board, especially as much difficulty was experienced with a beautiful Hudson hard-top convertible, belonging to a Montreal doctor, who was returning for vacation to his native island (Grindstone).

This steamer was formerly called the Lovat and had been built in 1924 in Paisley, Scotland for Mr. Lovat who operated it until he retired in 1945, when it was purchased by the Clarke Steamship Company of Montreal and given its present name. The officers and crew of the ship were most courteous and anxious to make the tourists comfortable. There were a number of first and second class passengers on board.

A Choppy Crossing

As we neared the islands, the outline of one in particular attracted our attention. It was Deadman's Island, one of the harshest rocks in the world, a thousand feet long and about two hundred feet high. It looks like a giant corpse laid out for burial. Many small boats during fog or storm have been dashed to pieces on its sloping sides. The crossing over during a high wind was real choppy, in fact the captain said it had been the roughest trip of the season, but the return sail on a sunny day was most placid and could not be improved upon.

Sixteen hours by ship from Charlottetown brought us to our first stop, Amherst Island, where many of the inhabitants had assembled to watch the loading and unloading of freight. The gathering of the people at the different docks upon the arrival of the steamer is part of their social life and a stirring event, from which they get much enjoyment. The red sandstone cliffs, devoid of trees, and the rocks upon which the white houses perched, presented a delightful picture.

One hour's sail brought us to Grindstone. This island has trees and shrubbery and, as a commercial centre, is the most important of the group. Through a friend I had the privilege of meeting Mr. Elphege Gaudet, who runs a hotel, grocery store, ice cream parlor, etc. He and his family kindly drove me around the island, which is twelve miles in circumference and consists of villages with a well kept school every two miles. Mr. Gaudet called attention to the important features of the islands and on the highest point of land, where the lighthouse stands, he requested us to get out of the car to observe the colorful view of land and sea unfolding before us. The homes on this hilly and scenic land were prosperous looking. Of special interest was the new up-to-date hospital of one hundred and five beds, which serves the island, the Marconi Station, two beautiful Roman Catholic churches, a Church of England, and a convent. The Academy was at House Harbour which is reached by a covered bridge.

Magnificent Beaches

The islands have been referred to as The Kingdom of Fish and Mr. Gaudet remarked on the value of the fish caught, as herring, lobster, cod, mackerel, also salmon, seals and whales. I was shown several smoke-houses and canneries. The bathing beaches, I was informed, were among the best in Canada. Farming is also carried on and in the fields I saw several horses, cattle and pigs.

Another point of interest was the runway of natural hard sand for the airplane which makes semi-weekly flights. A government project from the Gulf side of Grindstone to a lake on the south for the protection of the fishing boats was under way and the breastwork had been completed on either side of this canal while the dredges was busy throwing out the sand. The winds sometimes reach a velocity of from eighty-five to one hundred miles per hour. Fogs, gales, currents, shoals and sandbars make navigation very difficult and stories of many wrecks have been reported.

Both the French and English languages are spoken, but the majority of the citizens are French. A number of passengers on the return trip from Grosse Isle informed me that English only was spoken on that island. The present population of the Magdalens is approximately thirteen thousand. Many of the Acadians from Nova Scotia settled there during the expulsion of 1755. Taxis and bus service are the chief means of transportation.

In one of the stores I entered I met a charming and interesting woman, Miss Eugenie LeBourdais, who was the proprietress. She made many enquiries about Summerside and several of the travellers who had visited her place of business.

The people on these islands, in a setting of Acadian beauty and simplicity, pursue a rugged yet comfortable and wholesomely independent way of life.

O'Leary and Vicinity

—L. A. C. Harvey MacNevin of the R. C. A. F., stationed at Aylmer, Ont., accompanied by Mrs. MacNevin (nee Miss Glenn Gorrill) and children are visiting in O'Leary, the guests of their mothers, Mrs. Dan MacNevin and Mrs. D. S. Gorrill.

Mrs. Ernest Harvie (nee Miss Fern Oulton) of Trenton, Ont., is visiting in the Brae, the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Oulton.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. MacAusland of Bloomfield and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Profitt of Rosebank are at present enjoying a trip to Cape Breton and other places on the mainland.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Elliot of Lynn, Mass., is spending the summer in Howlan, the guest of her sister, Mrs. John R. Dignan and Mr. Dignan.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Dennis, O'Leary, accompanied by their daughter Bessie, and their grandson, returned home on Friday, August 15th, from an enjoyable visit to Cape Breton Island.

Dr. and Mrs. Curry left for the United States last Tuesday. It is just a year since they came to O'Leary where Dr. Curry has been a most conscientious and capable veterinary, and they have made a host of friends who unite in wishing them every success in their new location.

Rev. W. G. and Mrs. Dickson and their daughters, Norma and Jean, returned to their home in O'Leary on Friday night, August 15th, after enjoying a month's vacation spent at their homes in Sydney, N. S., and also Bridgetown, N. S.

The many friends of Mr. William Duncan and his brother, Mr. Thomas Duncan of Woodstock, will be sorry to learn that they are patients in the Prince Edward Island Hospital in Charlottetown Their many friends wish them a speedy recovery.

Mrs. George Stewart, Halifax, and small son, are visiting in O'Leary, the guests of Mrs. Stewart's mother, Mrs. Dan MacNevin, and her sister, Mrs. Edison Dumville.

Mrs. Herman Harris and children of Marion Bridge, Cape Breton, are visiting Mrs. Harris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Buchanan of Mount Royal.

Mr. Harry MacWilliam of O'Leary was taken to the Prince County Hospital, Summerside, on Saturday, Aug. 16th. The many friends of this popular young man wish him a speedy recovery.

Miss Phyllis MacIsaac is teaching in Hebron School this term and Mrs. Thomas Duncan is the teacher at the Unionvale School. The O'Leary School will open on August 19th, with the same teaching staff, namely, Principal, Lewis MacKenzie; Vice-Principal, Miss Pearl Craig; Intermediate teacher, Mrs. John Matthews, and Primary teacher, Mrs. Mae Palmer. The residents of O'Leary are delighted to have their efficient and capable teachers return for another year.

The Bloomfield United Church has been wired for electricity and the pulpit has been varnished and the pulpit furniture re-decorated.

—A. Z.

St. Louis and Vicinity

—Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Buote of Wayland, Ont., were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bernard. They were accompanied by their three children, Mary, Sonny and Leonard Buote.

Dr. W. Callaghan and Mrs. Callaghan have returned to their home in Summerside after visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Callaghan. They were accompanied by their young daughter Betty Jean.

Mrs. William Short of Lawrence, Mass., is visiting at her home in St. Louis, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bernard.

Pte. Johnny Myers has arrived from his training post at Valcartier, Quebec, and is spending a 30-day leave at his home, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Myers.

Friends of Mrs. Boyd Bernard are pleased to see her home again after being a patient at the Western Hospital for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mallett of Kensington, were recent Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Aylward and family have moved to Bedeque, where they plan to make their home in the future. The Aylwards were former residents of Waterford and their many friends regret their departure.

Mr. Bernard Allain and his brother Tom Allain of the United States Navy are spending a leave with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Allain in St. Louis

Mrs. John P. Peters of Saint John, N. B., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Aubin Perry and Mr. Perry in Palmer Road.

Miss Sophie Gallant of Mount Carmel was a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bazil Doucette.

Mr. Edward Gaudet has returned to Toronto, Ont., after visiting at his home in DeBlois, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gaudet.

Miss Anita Gaudet of St. Edward left recently to visit her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfrid Gaudet in Montreal.

Mr. Edmund Gaudet of St. Catharines, Ont., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gaudet.

Mr. David Arsenault, Charlottetown, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Ellsworth.

Masters Paul and James Wade of Montreal are spending two weeks' holidays with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James O'Brien in St. Louis.

Miss Eugenie Arsenault has returned to her home after spending the past three months in Halifax, N. S.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Warren, Summerside, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Warren. They were accompanied by Mr. Austin McDonald of Grand River.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Raftery of Providence, R. I., are spending their holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Shea in Waterford. They are accompanied by Mr. James Raftery, also of Providence.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wedge were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dougald Wedge in Summerside.

Mrs. Robert Kinch and daughter Alice of South Porcupine, Ont., are visiting relatives and friends in St. Louis. At present they are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Hooper of Boston, Mass., were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aubin Perry, Palmer Road. They were accompanied by Mr. William Walsh and daughter Andrea.

Miss Mae Perry of Laurence, Mass., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Gaudet.

Mr. Arthur Perry has returned to Toronto, Ont., after visiting at his home in Peterville, guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Perry.

Mrs. Melvin Peters of Lachute, Quebec, was a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Peters. She also visited her father, Mr. George Doucette, in Skinners Pond. She was accompanied by her two daughters Marcella and Joan, and her two sons, Donald and Ronald.

Mrs. Frank Dugay recently visited her mother, Mrs. Joseph Arsenault, who is seriously ill at her home in Seven Mile Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mearns of St. Catharines, Ont., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard O'Brien in Waterford.

Miss Yvonne Arsenault of Toronto, Ont., is visiting at her home, guest of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Arsenault.

Mr. and Mrs. James O'Neil and family of Halifax, N. S., are visiting Mrs. O'Neil's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wedge, in Ebbsfleet.

Mrs. Bazil Doucette was a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emile Gallant in Mt. Carmel.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Richard of Attleville, N. B., were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bernard. They were accompanied by Theodore Arsenault of Ottawa, and Mr. John Richard of Mt. Carmel, P. E. I.

B.G.

Kensington Notes

—Mr. and Mrs. Daly and Mr. and Mrs. D. W. May of Waltham, Mass., who have been visiting in Indian River and Kensington, left on return to their homes on Thursday morning, August 14th. They were guests of their mother, Mrs. W. Ramsay, Hamilton and sister Mrs. Keir Clark, Kensington, and brother Leslie Ramsay, Indian River.

Miss Patricia Pendergast, teacher in Terrace High School, accompanied by her friend Miss Flora Melvin of Terrace are visiting at the Pendergast home in Kensington. It is Miss Melvin's first trip to the Eastern seaboard. She was born in Winnipeg and needless to say is duly impressed with the immensity of Eastern institutions, especially those of Boston and New York.

Mr. Hubert Gillis Jr. of Hamilton, Ont., is spending a short vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Gillis of Indian River.

Mr. Joseph Cameron of Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Cameron, Indian River, is vacationing at his home.

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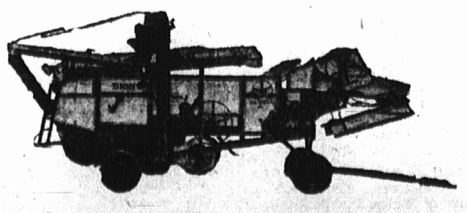

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