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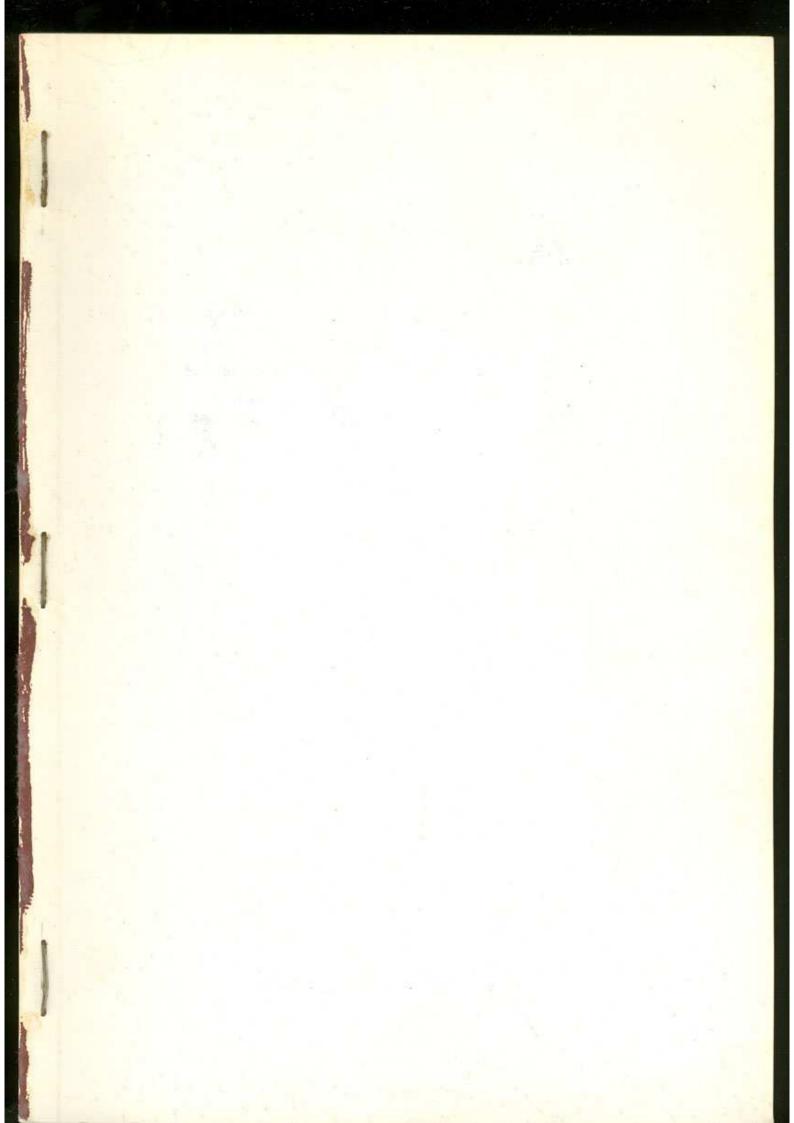
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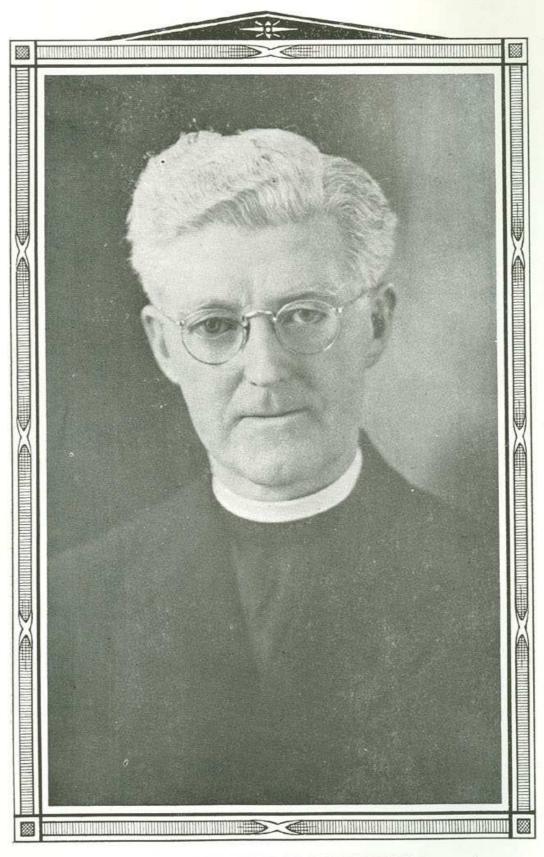
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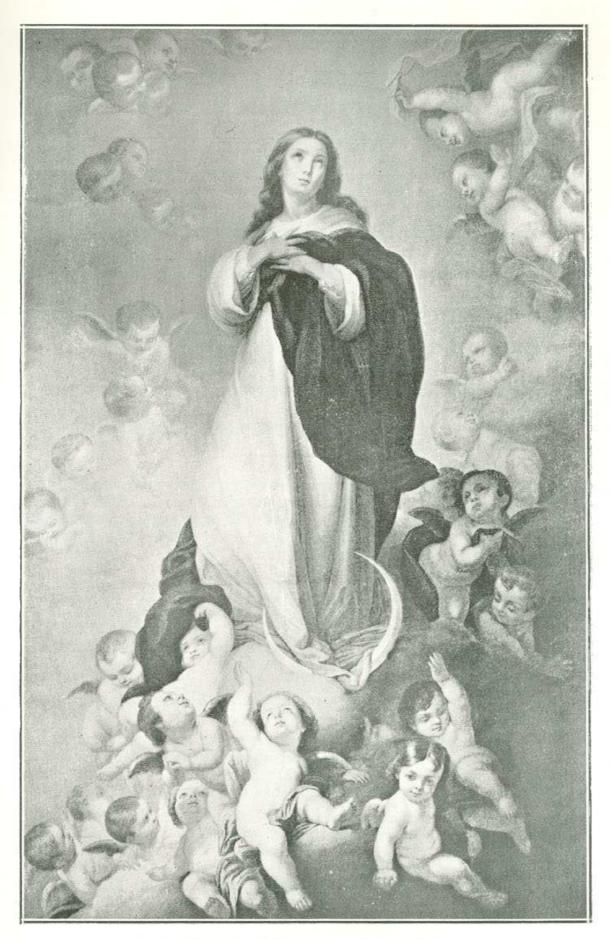


This issue of The Collegian
is respectfully dedicated to
Rev. Brother Al. J. Lannon, Al.A.,
President
and carries with it the wish of the
editors and the student-body that
every success may attend the term
of his administration of

St. Mary's College

So mighty art thou, Lady, and so great,
That he who grace desireth, and comes not
To thee for aidance, fain would have desire
Fly without wings.

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#### "PARTING IS SUCH SWEET SORROW"

DURING the course of our earlier studies we came across this line and tried to understand it. Our immature intellects failed to grasp the significance of this paradoxical statement. We were unable to comprehend how sorrow could be sweet. Sweet to us young students was symbolic of joy. Joy and sorrow we reasoned are directly opposed to each other and hence can not exist together.

Now but a few short years later the meaning of this line is stamped upon our minds with an impressionable force. Upon the eve of our graduation strange feelings of sadness mingled with joy come to us. Joy, because we have reached our goal, because we have obtained the supreme ambition of our years as students of St. Mary's College—our graduation diploma. Graduation, the reward of all our labours. Friends gather round us and pour forth their congratulations. Everything is gaily prepared for us; everybody is happy, for now we are graduates.

Yet, as we prepare ourselves for our last curtain call, as we stand waiting to receive our coveted sheepskin, our joy is overshadowed by an element of sadness. This day of graduation marks the achievement of our greatest ambition. It also implies the severance of all that we have held most dear.

Graduation has made us appreciative of treasures which we too often took for granted. Only now do we fully realize the value of the friendships we have formed at St. Mary's. Now as we endeavour to hold them they are taken from us. In their place we have a diploma. We have come to the parting of the ways and these friendships must be severed, some but for a time, others perhaps forever. We cannot fully estimate the value of these friendships. They have helped in forming our characters and have per-

mitted a keener insight into the characters of others. These friendships

may be broken, but their effects will remain with us forever.

Another tie of friendship with St. Mary's, perhaps stronger than the other, must also be broken. We must leave our friends, the Irish Christian Brothers. They were not merely professors, they were as their name signifies, our brothers. Never shall we find truer friends. These men, quiet and retiring in their ways, have sacrificed their lives in our behalf. When we encountered difficulties, it was the Brothers who helped us overcome them. When we needed advice and guidance, it was the Brothers to whom we turned. Words cannot pay them just tribute. Yet, if we failed to offer our humble thanks to these men we would be neglecting a most sacred duty. Only a St. Mary's student knows the full meaning of the word "Brother".

All these ties must be broken and we are thrown into the maelstrom of life. We have finished our college days; we must begin a new life. We are entering an arena filled with strife and uncertainty. No longer shall we find ourselves surrounded by loving friends. No longer shall we find the endless Christian charity and brotherly love we have been accustomed to. Instead we see a world filled with the spirit of hatred and greed. We watch whole countries turn their back on God. We watch the gray clouds of war gather on the horizon as a few imperialistic men march their armies around at will and endeavour to dictate their wishes to the rest of the world. How we need the principles of Christian charity now! The principles of our beloved faith, instilled into our minds at St. Mary's, will be our only support in such trials.

We graduates know the state of the world. We have heard the pessimist mock our training. We have been told there is no place for us in the world. We have watched the relief list grow. But the cynics and pessimists in their ignorance have overlooked an important factor. They fail to realize the true value of our training. We, the graduates of St. Mary's, have something more than our book knowledge. We have our beloved faith and an undaunted spirit. The world may be cruel and selfish but our training, consisting as it does of both the moral and the physical, will

withstand the fiercest onslaught.

So now we must say farewell. Farewell to the College; farewell to our friends the Irish Christian Brothers; farewell to the students. Our hearts are saddened as we leave our "Little Windsor St. College." We face this uncertain world with a firm reliance upon the good Providence of God and under the protection of Mary, Our Mother. We have come to the parting of the ways and "parting is such sweet sorrow."

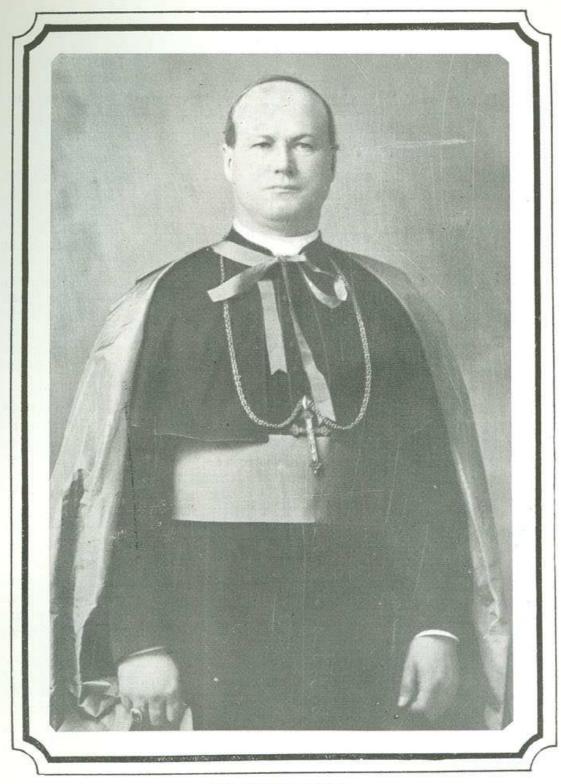
Inspired by respect and loyalty to our Archbishop, the editors extend to him, on the occasion of the

Silver Jubilee

of his Episcopal Consecration,

Heartiest Congratulations and Best Mishes
for many years as chief pastor

of the Archdiocese



HIS EXCELLENCY,
MOST REVEREND JOHN THOMAS McNALLY, D.D.,
ARCHBISHOP OF HALIFAX.

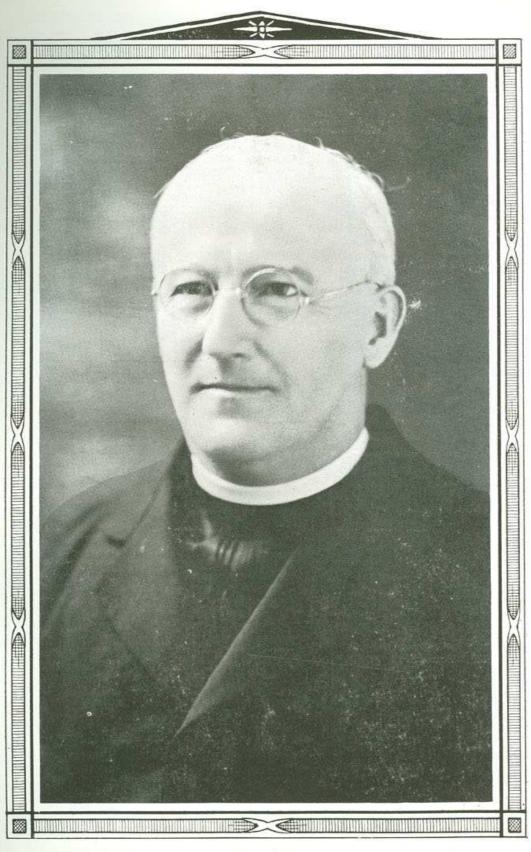
### REV. BROTHER CORNELIA

THE Collegian regrets to have to record the departure of Brother Cornelia from St. Mary's, his term of office as President completed, the decision of his superiors assigning him to new duties in the Juniorate at St. Joseph's, New York.

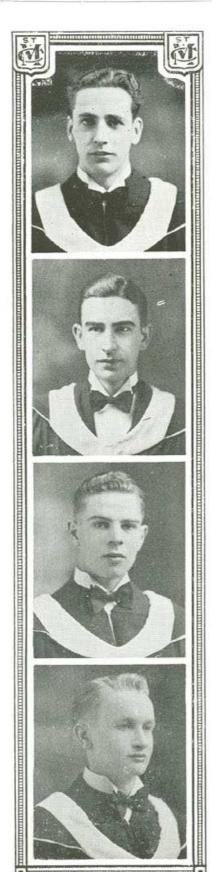
Brother Cornelia's association with our College was a long and an honourable one. He came here from Ireland twenty-five years ago and, except for an interval of four years devoted to post-graduate work in Ireland and New York, he was for some twenty years, of the very essence of every aspect of educational activity at St. Mary's. Brothers came and went; his three companions of the opening days—Brother Culhane, now Provincial of the Congregation, Brother Sterling, superior today in Vancouver, B. C., and Brother Birmingham back with us again from St. John's—these he saw depart to other places, but, in his own person the earliest contacts of the Brothers with Halifax were preserved. Now that he is gone from St. Mary's, it is consoling to remember that, by the return here of Brother Birmingham last fall, the bond between the present and the past has not been severed.

As a religious, a scholar, and a personal friend, our late President holds a secure place in the hearts of all St. Mary's students, old and young. His life as a religious teacher was an unending exemplification of the motto of his Congregation-Facere et Docere. No one can well estimate the influence of such a life upon young, impressionable students. Who shall adequately appraise the range and the depth of those intellectual powers which he managed so unobtrusively to conceal? Who shall pretend to guage either the value and the sincerity of his friendship or the measure of the reward in store for one who devoted such extraordinary talents to the noblest of causes, the instructing of many unto justice? Considering that Brother Cornelia's present occupation in New York is that of moulding the future members of the Congregation, we are almost reconciled to our loss. That Our Divine Lord may bless his efforts is our fervent prayer. May He help him to develop good men, ready to take the torch from the hands of those who have borne it to the end well-nigh of the stretch assigned to be traversed.

We miss Brother and we can assure him that neither his memory nor his influence here will quickly fade. His personality has been too deeply impressed upon the College for that to happen and, wherever St. Mary's boys are to be found-dicetur. Such affectionate memory on their part is, after all, a natural tribute to one whose administration was strictly impartial, whose example was ever in strict line with the rule of life he indicated for others, whose treatment of all was inspired and guided by a spirit of justice and charity-verily, ad unguem factus homo.



REVEREND BROTHER WILLIAM B. CORNELIA, M.Sc., Ph.D.



#### HORACE BERNARD COLFORD

The cold winds blowing up Chezzetcook Harbor blew to us the flower of the town. The big wind was in 1934 and Horace has been with us ever since. He is a modest retiring chap who becomes known only after considerable association; for this reason, his friendship is more highly prized by those who know him well. Horace is a fine student and displays especial talents in the languages. He is a great lover of music and holds prominent places in the College Glee Club and the Saint Patrick's Band. Horace became a member of Tau Gamma Sigma, this year, and immediately took his place as a staunch supporter of the Arts Society. His splendid spirit of cooperation and his good will should make him a success as well as an admirable influence in his chosen profession, teaching.

#### FRANCIS LEO CORCORAN

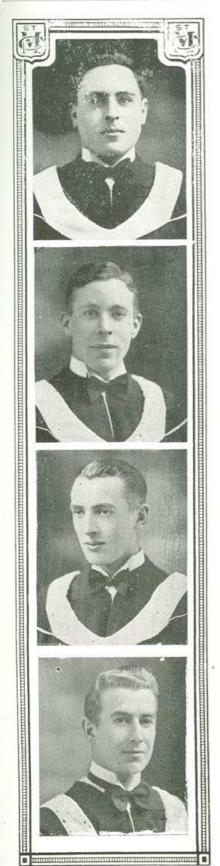
Frank came from Moncton High School in 1934 and soon became the outstanding student in the College. His executive ability is of the highest order and he has been, President of Sophomore, Junior and Senior Arts; Vice-President and President of Tau Gamma Sigma and President of the Athletic Association and of the Mission Crusade Society for two years. He was sports' editor of the Journal for two years and a member of the Dramatic Society. He led the College in Philosophy and in Debating and was on the Radio Debating team for two years. In sports he won Hockey and Baseball pins. His sincerity, versatility, pleasantness and consideration of others made him the most popular man in the College and should make him a great success in his chosen profession, Law.

#### JOHN VINCENT DEVAN

The Dartmouth Ferry has made many crossings but to the Class of '38 none more important than the voyage in 1931, which first brought Jack to Saint Mary's. Since that time Jack has blazed his way through both High School and College departments, leaving behind him a record of brilliant scholarship. Gifted with a keen insight for true value he chose Arts, and soon became a Latin authority and philosophical scholar. Prominent in most athletics, he specializes in badminton, ranking among Dartmouth's best. An energetic and cheerful worker, Jack has won a large host of friends. We shall miss that merry laugh and willing assistance, Jack; but wishing you the greatest success for the future, we bid "adieu".

#### WILLIAM JOSEPH DONNELLY

St. Pat's suffered a loss in '34 which became St. Mary's gain, for in that year "Bill" came to us. His quiet, unassuming manner and cheery smile quickly made him the friend of the entire student body. His scholastic ability gained him honours as a student and made him a favourite with his professors. Keenly interested in all things Santamarian, Bill could always be counted upon to lend support to all college activities. Now, at "Bill's" graduation, St. Mary's suffer the loss and the world the gain. And so, with regret, we say: Auf wiedershen, Bill, and good luck!



#### JOSEPH OWEN FOOHEY

"Joe" came from St. John High School in '35. He immediately distinguished himself as a student and athlete. Excelling in basketball, he also proved a stalwart defenseman in the Boarders' Hockey League. Again he championed the Maroon and White on the Intercollegiate Rugby Team. In both Sophomore and Junior years he was Class Gold Medalist. Proving his executive ability "Joe" successfully managed the Provincial Senior High Rugby Champs and filled the important office of Vice-President on the Mission Crusade. With a keen sense of humour, a pleasing personality "Joe" has won the affectionate regard of all. He will long be remembered as a conscientious worker and a real friend.

#### JAMES FOCH MCDONALD

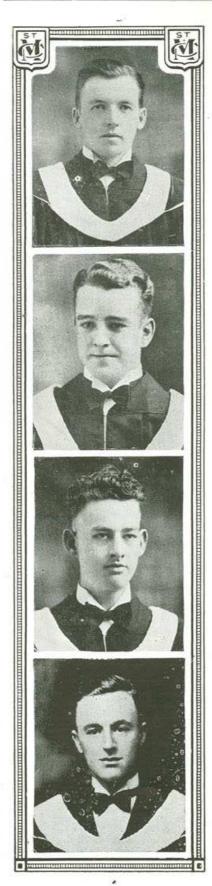
Another member of that sterling group which arrived from St. Pat's High in '34, Jim came with a reputation as a student which he has not failed to uphold. Endowed with a cheery smile and a likeable disposition, he made friends readily and was always a most welcome member of any gathering. As a sportsman, he is well-known for his interest in American football and was also a star player on the interfaculty hockey team. An energetic chap, he was more than willing to do his share and took an active part in all college activities. Now, after four years, Jim is about to leave. With him will go the good wishes of all for continued success in his chosen field of business.

#### JOHN EDWARD MCDONALD

Jack came to St. Mary's from St. Pat's in '34. During his four years here he upheld the honour of all former St. Pat's men who attended here. As a student he was most satisfactory. In athletics he was a valued member of Arts rugby and hockey teams and also made a name for himself in junior sports with the popular Maroon's Club teams. Jack was a quiet chap to those who knew him only casually but he was nevertheless esteemed and liked by all. He hopes to enter the business world when he graduates. Good luck to you Jack—You'll leave a host of friends at St. Mary's wishing you every success and good fortune.

#### JOHN JAMES MURPHY

"Jock" or "J.D.", as he is affectionately known, came to us as a Junior in '36. He quickly proved himself a real Santamarian, taking an enthusiastic interest in all phases of student life. Although an excellent scholar, he has to his credit many extracurricular activities. Among these he numbers a Society Editorship on the Journal and an Executive position on the Mission Crusade. He has also taken a prominent part in Glee Club and Dramatic Activities of the past two years. "Jock" also ranks as one of the finest debaters in the College. As an athlete he has starred as a defenseman in the Boarders' League. Gifted with the ability to make and maintain friends, "Jock" will leave behind many pleasant memories at St. Mary's.



#### MARTIN GREGORY NEY

"Marty", a native of Portland, Me., came to St. Mary's as a Sophomore. Since then he has played a prominent part in the student life of the College. An all-round athlete, he has played on both American and English football teams, captained basketball, and been a star goalie in Boarders' hockey. Gifted with a fine tenor voice Marty has taken a leading role in all Glee Club and Dramatic activities of the past three years. In his senior year Marty served as circulation manager of the Journal. To the above accomplishments he adds a charm of personality which has made him one of the most popular fellows in his class and which augurs well for his future success in life.

#### J. GUY RENNER

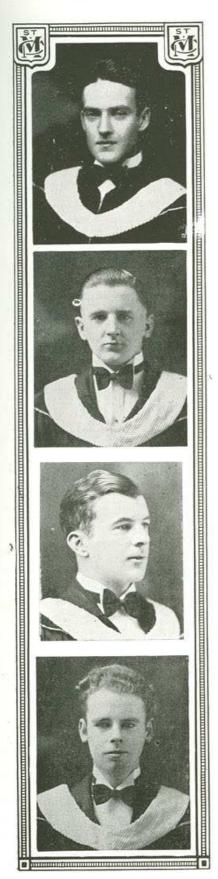
Since Guy's advent to St. Mary's in the fall of '31, the College has been richer by a genial smile, a gentlemanly disposition, a true friend, an honor student and a prominent figure in all activities. As a public speaker and debater he has not a peer in the College, being winner this year of the Declamation contest and a valued member of St. Mary's Radio Debating Team. He has risen from membership in that pioneer Journal staff of three years ago through Circulation Managership to the position of Editor-in-Chief. As Secretary-Treasurer of Tau Gamma, Vice-President of Senior Arts, and assistant manager of the City Intercollegiate Hockey Champs for this year, his departure to Dalhousie for Education leaves St. Mary's poorer.

#### EDWIN JOSEPH SMALL

"Ed" entered St. Mary's High School way back in 1931. In High School "Ed" starred on American Football, Hockey and Acrobatic teams. In College he has held the positions of Secretary-Treasurer of Sophomore, Junior and Senior and has been an associate editor on the Journal. He has also starred as a hockey goalie and as a handball player. He was a member of the Glee Club, Dramatic Society and Tau Gamma Sigma. "Ed" possesses a fine sense of humor and his many practical jokes and parodies on College happenings, did much to make our stay at St. Mary's a pleasant one. In class, he has been the bane of several of the Profs. Ed was a crac on the C.O.T.C. Rifle team and should do well in Canada's army.

#### JOHN EDWARD BULLEY

"Bus" as he is popularly known came to St. Mary's in '29 from College St. School. On entering College he chose Engineering as his future profession. This year he will receive the B.Sc. degree, and later will enter Tech. A conscientious student and a regular fellow, "Bus" was the very capable President of this year's Engineering Class. On the athletic fields his prowess is well known. A versatile athlete, starring in rugby, hockey and rowing, he has been captain of various teams in High School and College. A Pacifist to all appearances he holds the rank of sergeant in the C.O.T.C. In combining ability with ambition "Bus" has a promising future. May your ideals become realities!



#### JOHN FRASER CLARK

Fraser arrived at St. Mary's in the fall of 1930 and immediately began to show his powers as a student and an athelete. During his high school course he gained four distinction diplomas and represented the school in baseball, hockey and rugby. At the conclusion of his collegiate course, he decided to enter the college engineering department and since then has been a keen representative of the engineers in many fields of activity. This year Fraser graduates receiving a B.Sc. and an Engineering Diploma. He intends to take up a course in Science leading to an M.Sc. degree. We all know that Fraser will always be a worthy representative of St. Mary's and a success in his chosen celd.

#### CECIL BENEDICT COOPER

Cecil or as we know him, "Coop", entered St. Mary's three years ago with a scholarship from St. Bonaventure's College, St. John's. This son of Newfoundland has proved himself a brilliant student, carrying off proficiency prizes in his Junior and Senior years of Engineering. Last year he left us to help survey the wilds of northern Newfoundland. However, St. Mary's welcomed him back this fall, and will confer a B.Sc. degree on him. Cecil has proved himself an athlete as well as a student, frequently indulging in hockey, baseball, and handball. He is seriously considering supplementing his B.Sc. with an M.Sc. degree. May success attend your every endeavour, Cecil!

#### JOSEPH DOUGLAS KLINE

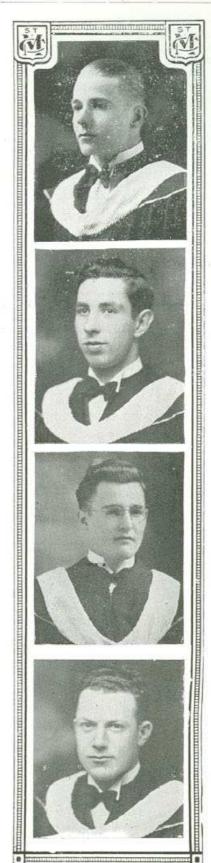
"Doug's" history at St. Mary's embraces seven years. His qualifications have made him a prominent and valuable member of class '38. With great natural capacity and ability for purposeful application, Doug has fought his way through the maze of Science subjects with the same spirit with which he entered many contests on the campus. Doug has been treasurer of the A.A.A., secretary and president of the Engineering Society, vice-president of the Mission Crusade Society and a member of the Journal staff. He also holds the rank of B.S.M. in the N.S.T.C. C.O.T.C. battery. With the valuable gift of making friends easily, there are not many dull moments while "Doug" is around. He now passes on to Tech. to concentrate on Civil Engineering. Good luck, "Doug!"

#### DOUGLAS JOSEPH MACKEY

"Doug's" first appearence at St. Mary's was back in '31 when he came from St. Thomas Aquinas School. After a brilliant career in High School, where he secured six medals, and four distinction diplomas, this leader in cultural subjects chose Engineering as his field. He graduates this year in Science with Engineering. His drafting and artistic ability have been without equal during his stay and is recognized inside and outside the College. A truly practical engineer, he is constantly seen around any new local project and is an authority on glass. He is a bombadier in the C.O.T.C.

This year he was Vice-President of the Engineering Society and its many successful functions were due in no small measure to his efforts. And so to

Tech.



#### JAMES SKERRY O'LEARY

"Jim" is a native of Halifax, and graduated from St. Pat's High in '34, winning a K. of C. scholarship. He then entered Freshman Arts at St. Mary's and captured the proficiency prize that year. The following year he wisely changed his course to the Engineering and was awarded the gold medal for

his efforts each year since.

Always cool and collected, "Jim" has quite convinced us of his exceptional ability. He will receive an Engineering Diploma and B.Sc. degree this year. Besides his intellectual pursuits, he takes part in handball, hockey and C.O.T.C. activities, holding the position of Sargeant in the latter. He plans to enter the Department of Mining Engineering at Tech, next year. Best of luck, Jim!

#### FRANCIS GERARD PUMPLE

A tall, broad shouldered lad was one of those registering in the Freshman year of Engineering in the fall of 1934. This lad called himself Gerard Pumple and was even proud of the fact that he

came from St. John.
This year "Pump" will emerge from Saint Mary's with an Engineering diploma and a B.Sc. degree. During the intervening four years he has distinguished himself as a student, an athlete, and an all-

round good fellow.

As a result of the trips of this year's geology class out "pickin' rocks", "Pump" thinks he will take Mining Engineering at Tech. Good luck friend!

#### JOHN T. REDMOND

John came to us from Bloomfield High School in '35. Entering his Sophomore year, he soon gave proof of a capacious mental equipment and consequently earned for himself the name of "Professor." John's love for his studies, particularly Chemistry, is exceeded only by an ardent desire for a berth on the All-American football team. He also specializes in handball, swimming, and hockey.

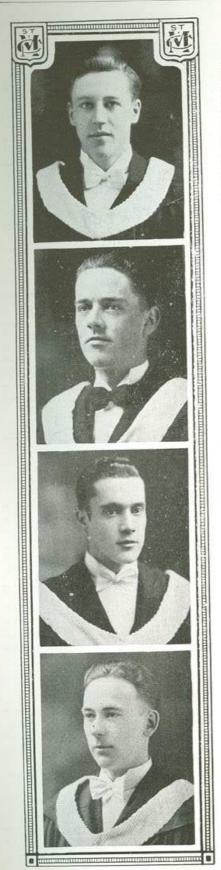
An orator of no mean ability, John was selected for the team which recently pitted its eloquence against the able representatives of Mount Saint

Vincent in a declamation contest.

A medallist in '36 and '37, the "Prof." thus rendered indisputable proof of his general ability, and with such good omens, we are confident of his august success in the future. John intends to take a course in Education at Dalhousie. Good luck John!

#### DOUGLAS FRANCIS SPRUIN

"Doug" came to St. Mary's from College St. School in '31. He rapidly developed into a star athlete, specializing in baseball, hockey and rugby. He is known as the best fullback in the city, combining rugged aggressiveness with true sportsmanship. As a handball player he is equal to any in the school, with a drive that rattles the boards. His extra-curricular activities include yachting on the Arm in the summer, and skiing at Ellershouse in the winter. If character and ability count in this world, "Doug" should reach high station after he leaves St. Mary's.



#### GORDON H. COWAN

"Gordie" with his friendly smile has been a popular student since he entered St. Mary's in 1931. "Gord's" forte is athletics and in his High School career he was a member of three Junior teams and one Senior team. Following this great start he followed in his college course by being a member of two American football teams and two English rugby teams along with four years of Intercollegiate hockey. Not content with this record, in his Sophomore year he won the Proficiency Medal and in his Senior year was chosen treasurer of Delta Lambda Kappa, Comm ce society. We wish Gord, every success in his chosen field.

#### RANDOLPH DELANEY, B. A.

"Dekker" entered St. Mary's Collegiate in 1931 and five years later obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree. Not satisfied with this he returned in 1937 to begin studies for a Bachelor of Commerce degree. He obtains the degree this year. "Dekker" has occupied a position on the staff of the "Collegian" and is one of the pioneer members of the Journal staff. He still plays the piano in the College orchestra.

#### HAROLD JOSEPH DYER

Harold entered St. Mary's Collegiate in the fall of '31. Harold has made his presence known. In High School he was a member of two track teams, competed in two elocution contests and was a Cabinet Minister in the Matric. Mock Parliament. Entering upon an Art's Course in 1934 he completed his Sophomore year and then transferred to Commerce. He was a member of the Radio debating team and also of the College Championship debating team. He was a member of the Intercollegiate football team for three years and the basketball team of '36. A member of Tau Gamma and a Staff Sargeant in the C.O.T.C. Harold has been a popular student. Ambition: a financier or banker.

#### EDWARD VINCENT FLINN

Coming to S.M.C. from Oxford St. School way back in 1930, the diminutive "Teddy" leaves behind an enviable record as a student and athlete. During his High School years, "Teddy", despite the handicap of size, held berths on five rugby teams and was a member of the only championship baseball squad produced in the last decade. Entering the Commerce department of the College, "Teddy" continued to maintain his fine record and saw service on two College rugby teams, the American Football squad and the college Hockey sextette of "36. Other honors garnered by Teddy included the positions of president and treasurer of Delta Lambda Kappa, president and secretary of the Commerce Study club and an association on the Journal Staff. Napoleon was a little man, so we have no fears for Teddy.



#### MAURICE FRANCIS O'NEIL

In 1931 a quiet red-headed boy came to St. Mary's and quietly went his way. Calm and studied in every move, despite the red hair, Maurice has made many friends and proved his proficiency in both studies and athletics. In 1933, he was a member of the Junior High rugby team. He proved a stalwart end on the American Football team of '36 and a strong scrum man on the College rugby teams of '37 and '38. He is interested in the C.O.T.C. and is Quarter Master Sergeant and can often be seen in the corridor measuring delinquent cadets with a calculating eye for their uniforms. Maurice leaves behind him the memory of a friend and a true gentleman.

#### RALPH JOHN PEPPER, B.A.

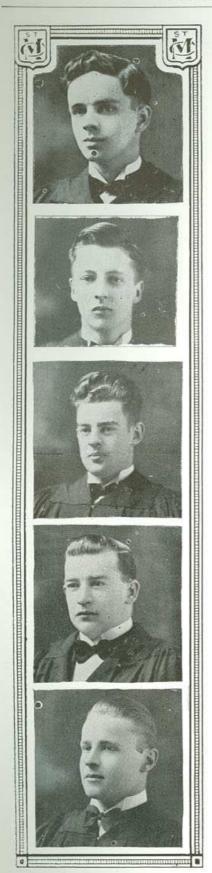
Gold Medalist in History; Treasurer of the Mission Crusade '33-'36. Ralph has reached the goal for which he set his stride. He can look back on the years which have elapsed since he entered St. Mary's in 1929 and felt that he has done a man's part in everything that came to be his duty. Having graduated in Art's in '36, the following year he entered the Commerce Department, thus breaking one of the oldest traditions of an Artsmen. He has a ready smile for everyone and many will be the good wishes which will follow him as he takes his final leave from the portals of his Alma Mater.

#### JOHN MOODY SMITH

John came to St. Mary's from the Academy in 1935 in the Sophomore year of Commerce. John since his coming has made himself very popular with his ready smile and willingness to oblige. He was a member of the Commerce Hockey team of '35-'36 and is also an ardent tennis devotee. His interests are with the C.O.T.C. and he is a Lt Sgt. on the clerical staff and holds a qualified "A" Certificate. "Jack" is a student of modern affairs and for three years was a member of the Commerce Study Club. "Jack" takes with him the sincere wishes for prosperity of all who knew him at St. Mary's.

#### JOHN MICHAEL WILSON

"Wils" entered St Mary's and the Commerce Department in 1934. Coming from St. Pat's, he immediately proved his worth as a student and athlete. He was a member of all the Commerce faculty teams, rugby, hockey and baseball. But hockey seems to be his first love and we often hear of his sterling efforts at defence on a certain Junior Team. Jack is an inveterate snooker player and can often be found behind the eight ball. His warm charm and ability to laugh had endeared him to both professors and classmates. Good luck, "Wils!"



#### WILLIAM ALLISON CAMPBELL

"Al", a former student of Morris Street Junior High and the Halifax Academy, entered St. Mary's in 1936. Since then, his general abilities have made him a prominent member of the class of '38. His chief sports are swimming and hockey, and during his time at St. Mary's, he has shown himself to be a valuable addition to the C.O.T.C. rifle team. At the present time he is very much interested in "air-conditioning". However, we expect "Al" to continue his studies at "Tech." next fall. The best of luck "Al"!

#### DONALD R. KLINE

"Don" came to St. Mary's in 1931 from St. Thomas Aquinas grammar school. After spending three years in the high school department, he emerged with a four year scholarship. He then threw his lot in with the Engineers where he has since labored with much success. In sport he is versatile, and has shown his worth on the College hockey team, and the Engineers' hockey and handball teams. "Don" is a fellow everyone is happy to have as a

friend and one whom all will be sorry to see leave St. Mary's. If he carries out his intention of going to "Tech." in the fall, St. Mary's will have a representative in the Mining Department of whom she

can be justly proud.

#### LLEWELLYN GREER MARKS

Greer came to St. Mary's in the autumn of '36, after graduating from the Halifax Academy. He is also a former student of College street School, where he knew several of the boys now at the college. A native of Armdale, his chief pastime is swimming in Chocolate Lake in the summer and skating on it in winter. During the two years he has been with us, he has shown a keen interest in college activities and is a member of the C.O.T.C.

#### EDWARD CLAUDE MCGRATH

"Moose" as he is familiarly known, came to St. Mary's in 1932 from St. F. X. Having mastered all the difficulties of the Engineering course he receives his diploma this year.

He was the star hooker of the Intercollegiate rugby squads of '34, '35 and '36

This year, through loyal and efficient leadership, he became Battery Sergeant Major in the S.M.C. C.O.T.C. contingent. He is a finished marksman, being a member of the "Tech". Rifle Team in '36 and '37 and this year a member of the S.M.C. team. His ability as a social organizer deserves mention.

#### PATRICK TERRENCE O'LEARY

Terry, a native of Armdale, was born in the year 1920. After completing his preliminary education at Armdale School, Saint Patrick's Boys' High School, and Halifax County Academy, he decided to continue his "book l'arnin'" in the Engineering Department at Saint Mary's College.

He is a keen follower of all sports, excelling in swimming and tennis. During the year 1936-37, he was secretary of the Engineering Society, and this year he held the post of secretary of the Stu-

dents' Mission Crusade Society.

### LITERARY

The long day wanes: the slow moon climbs: the deep Moans round with many voices. Come, my friends, 'Tis not too late to seek a newer world. Push off, and sitting well in order smite The sounding furrows; for my purpose holds To sail beyond the sunset, and the baths Of all the western stars, until I die.

TENNYSON

# Haunts of Beauty in the Maritimes

"This is the forest primeval. The murmuring pines and the hemlocks, Bearded with moss, and in garments green, indistinct in the twilight, Stand like Druids of old, with voices sad and prophetic, Stand like harpers hoar, with beards that rest on their bosoms. Loud from its rocky caverns, the deep-voiced neighbouring ocean Speaks, and in accents disconsolate answers the wail of the forest."

THUS sang the poet, Longfellow, a century ago. Acadia was then a thing of beauty, and a thing of beauty is a joy forever. Today, with their unspoiled haunts, the Maritimes are a natural paradise of beautiful scenery. And the modern havens are exactly those of Longfellow's day. Unspoiled virgin forests overshadow crystal brooks, broad meadows roll to the sea, and rocky cliffs joust, now good-humouredly, now in fierce rage, with the ponderous ocean. This is our Maritime scenery. This is our little bit of Heaven on earth. Would you like to know more of it? Would you like to visit some chosen havens, and examine them? Well! Close your eyes, little sister, rest, and listen.

Our Maritimes hold a unique position in the geographical world. Almost totally surrounded by the ocean, they nevertheless present coastlines, of vastly different characters. The range is from the calm, lake-like surfaces of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, to the wild, boisterous Atlantic. The sea has many moods, and many aspects. Yet, when we speak of it, we of the Maritimes invariably think of one place, and one place, only. That

is Peggy's Cove.

Here, a sea-scape unrivalled throughout the world, is presented. On a barren, granite point, the lighthouse rises in solitary splendour. Stones, rounded by the seas of ages, form the shoreline; no trace of sand is to be seen.

Gently sloping shelves of rock extend into the water, then drop precipitously to abysmal depths. The shallow water, near the shore, assumes a milky, translucent, shade of green, suggestive of light-green pearls, set in a silver clasp. Abruptly, at the drop, the shade changes, and the depths send forth a deep, sapphire blue, sparkling and friendly, as an azure jewel.

On a fine, calm day, just at sunset, gentle waves run in, and dissolve into spray, on the rocks, softening the harshness with lacy foam. The sky purple above us, shades through pale blue to light yellow and orange, rose and crimson, towards the horizon, and finally, is overshadowed by the star-

studded black pall of night.

But when the wind rises, and the ragged torn storm-clouds scud across the grey sky, Peggy's is a different picture. Great waves crash on the rocks, and froth and seethe their way back to the ocean, to return again and again in fruitless attack, on the ironbound coast. Possessed are they in their fury, yet they avail nothing. And at last the wind dies and the rains stop, and peace and calm are supreme.

Peace and calm reign in the forest, also. And of the beautiful forests of our country, that include the dense New Brunswick woods, the wild Cape Breton Highlands, and the orderly Annapolis parks, none is more

handsome than our own Dingle.

This dell was the country home of Sir Sandford Flemming. Here, in a country formed of piles of granite boulders, a miniature Eden was planted. Silver birches were imported from Scotland, and the road to his estate lined with them. Multiplying rapidly, they soon over-spread an area that today covers a square mile of land. Foreign trees on Canadian soil! Incongruous, you say? No! Not a more beautiful stretch of road exists anywhere, than that which winds through that silver birch wood. Let us visit it when it is at its best, that is, just after a rainstorm on a late summer's morning.

Before us, a red clay road, pavement smooth, trails down to the water. The air is warm, and refreshing, washed clean of dust, and fragrant with the scent of damp moss and wet clay. Birds twitter merrily in the bushes, and butterflies pursue their cheerfully inebriated zig-zag across our path. On either side, mounds of huge granite boulders rise, deposited by glaciers, thousands of years before. Dark patches of moss, grey and green, cover them with a carpet, the softness of which cannot be approached by the master rug-makers of the world. Dwarf evergreens cling to the rocks, forming an irregular pattern of dark green. And the birches! Pure silver-white trunks rise high above the ground, and reflect the rain-washed sunshine warmly, with a queenly grace. Slender boles, all parallel, draw up their irregular ranks in slim beauty, a cordon of perfection lining the sides of the road. Light green foliage crowns the regal beauties with a gently swaying, undulating coronet of leaves, and completes a masterpiece of God's handiwork. And over the whole is cast the indescribable charm of a summer's morning in Nova Scotia.

A fitting companion to this dell, is the Bras d' Or Lake System of Cape Breton. Here we have two large lakes, dividing a big island in two, and being enclosed by the segments, to form an inland sea. Narrow channels are opened at either end, so that the Lakes are part of the ocean. Yet the tide rise is only one foot, and no great storms or huge waves ruffle its surface. Truly, it is a portion of a jewel, taken from the mother stone, when nature was kindest, and placed in a protective setting, that no vicissitude of storm might change its character.

A surface of unbelievable calmness stretches away before the eyes. To the north, rise the rolling hills of Victoria. Verdant maples and beeches crowd, to dip their thirsty roots in the cool waters, and mossy banks tenderly enfold their trunks. Kind and inviting are these shores—soft and still. And after sundown, darkness steals over them, and clothes them in purple. The Wiederschien glows in the eastern sky, bathing the lake in golden light. The surface shimmers like a vast bowl of liquid gold, ever quivering, restless, with smooth undulating ripples, but calm, with the peace of nature's perfection.

Cape Breton is indeed blessed by God, with an overwhelming abundance of natural beauty, for besides the Bras d'Ors, she has the Margaree.

Sportsmen know this stream well. Magnificent salmon frequent its waters and attract the Isaac Waltons of a large area. But over all, its natural beauty stands out as its most appealing attribute. Water, meadow, and hill; all combine to form a succession of magnificent scenes, ever varying, ever more beautiful, from its source in Loch Ainslie, to its estuary in the blue St. Lawrence Gulf.

One site I remember well. It is at the bend of the river, where the purple mountains of North Inverness rise in the distance. The blue hills roll closer, finally spreading out into an undulating countryside of luxuriant forest growth. A furlong from the river, the hills halt in their ceaseless wave, and rest, in a flat meadow, through which the stream winds, in long, lazy loops. Grass as green as that on the Kerry hills, covers the soil to the water's edge. Green willow trees trail languid branches in the lazy water, and aspens, quiver in shy fright at this temerity. Low alder bushes line the river, with natural hedges. Here and there, a dark spruce strikes a deeper note in the colour scheme, while a crimson sumac splashes a gay tone against its severity. And through this fairyland, my Margaree flows softly, now tinkling, now murmuring, now hushed, but ever kind, ever sympathetic, a balm to tired souls, a solace for troubled spirits. Here is a bit of paradise on earth. May God preserve it in its perfection, forever!

Sea, lake, forest, stream; Nova Scotia has all these—and more. She has her valley, her magnificent Annapolis Valley. Here we have a garden, thirty miles wide and fifty miles long, perfectly attended, kept in orderly fashion, as one would a tiny plot in one's own back yard. And yet, this garden comprises the entire Western section of the southern part of the Province.

Forty miles out of Halifax, in a westerly direction, a valley begins. A huge trough, the bed of some prehistoric river, stretches before us, a trough in which a very rich, deep blanket of fertile soil has been deposited. Not a boulder is to be seen. Everywhere, nature is gentle. The skyline is a softly curving outline of smooth hills. No eraggy peaks rear their bold heads here. No rough granites intrude, no harsh slates outcrop. Only deep soil is present. Therefore, the entire valley is a picture of exceeding gentleness, and the land is extraordinarily fertile.

The early French settlers recognized the wealth to be gained in the soil, and in 1640, they planted the first apple trees, brought from Normandy. From the thirty-nine plants surviving that first winter, our present orchards descend. Today, the entire valley is under horticultural development. Neat rows of trees stand in ranks, thirty feet apart, patterning the rolling hills.

The white farmhouses, nestling in the centre of their green Edens, are beautiful, and the picture is a magnificent one. But there is one time of year, when we hold our breath, lest the breathing dissolve our dream, when we fear to stir, lest our movement scatter the fairy painting. That is at apple blossom time.

The thousands upon thousands of trees in Annapolis all come to blossom at the same time, and remain in full bloom for about ten days. The first Sunday in June is set aside as Apple Blossom Sunday, and on that day, it is the custom for everyone who has the means, to drive through the valley. It is a sight worth a great sacrifice.

Apple cultivation has reached a high state of development in this province, and the trees are prolific bearers. Therefore, when they burst into bloom, the young immature leaves are entirely hidden, and the tree appears as a huge flower of blossoms, composed of every shade, from deep crimson, through mauve and red, to pure white. Pink predominates, and the tree becomes a pink spray of flower. A magnificent, sweet aroma, exudes from

the blossoms, intoxicating the senses with a feeling of eestatic beauty. Thousands of trees turn the hills into a living mass of flower. I say "living", because such beauty cannot be inanimate. The Little People are surely dancing in the branches.

For fifty miles, we can drive under a roof of blossoms, in an atmosphere bathed in the perfume of countless trees. The sky above is blue, laced with

fleecy white clouds. The air is warm, the sun bright but gentle.

And to the north, in splendid isolation, rises great Blomidon. There, in purple splendour, he looks benignly down upon the valley, his forehead wreathed in sea-fog, his presence a restraining force on any wind or rain that might disrupt our fair valley. Aye! Look down upon it, Blomidon. Guard it as you would a child, preserve it as you would a jewel, and protect it, as a thing of beauty, that it may be for us, a joy forever.

JOHN T. REDMOND.

In September, 1938, St. Mary's will have been twenty-five years under the control of the Irish Christian Brothers. The registration at the opening was fifty-three students, most of whom were of High School standard. The total roll of the present year is three hundred and six and of these one hundred and sixty are in the College department.

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# Citadel Hill — To-day and Yesterday

"There is a power
And magic in the ruined battlement;
For which the place of the present hour
Must yield its pomp, and wait till ages are its dower."

(Byron: Ch. Harold)

HEN a citizen or a visitor wishes to view Halifax, he does not seek a skyscraper, but hastens at once to the Citadel Hill. This sturdy height of land standing in the center of the city, and rising, as it does, above all its surroundings affords a natural observatory for all the encircling country. From the ramparts enclosing the whole fortification at its summit, one may see the city lying about him in all directions. Southward lies the entrance to the harbour, the islands, the open sea. To the east the shipping, the town, and the Dartmouth shores. Northward lies the city, with the Narrows and Bedford Basin to the north east. And all along the west run the Common and residental district, and the heights beyond the Northwest Arm. The view, from this broad watch-tower on a smokeless day, with its wealth of woodland and adjoining waters, is one that may be matched with any on the continent.

At the summit of this sturdy hill, enclosed by ramparts and a wide moat stands an old fortress, which attracts the attention of all who see it. Whether walking or driving about its ramparts one stops to gaze with curiosity at two wooden guard-stands and a large wooden drawbridge which marks the entrance to the Citadel. Beyond the heavy doors, one can see the empty fortress within, and this along with the crumbling walls here and there, bears silent witness that its fighting days are over and it stands now only as a remembrance of other days. Human curiosity and the mind's thirst for knowledge demand a peep behind the curtain, an unveiling of its

story.

The history of Citadel Hill, and Fort George which is the original name given to the fortress at its summit, dates back less than two centuries. In 1748 having been forced to restore Louisburg to the French and feeling the necessity of a fortified and permament port in the Atlantic coast of Acadia, the British Government decided on the settlement of Chebucto for this purpose. The decision was quickly followed by action. In the spring of 1749, Hon. Edward Cornwallis with a fleet of 13 transports, a sloop of war, and 1200 men and their families entered Chebucto Bay; and the establishing of the town—to be called Halifax—was begun.

From 1749 for several years the only defenses Halifax had consisted of a palisade with log block houses at intervals. Citadel Hill was used as a goat pasture, and a large portion of it was privately owned. However its value for defensive purposes was soon recognized by those in command; for by 1755 a small redoubt was built near the summit with a flag staff and

guard house.

Nevertheless no traces of permanent fortification appear until the commencement of the American Revolution, when the authorities in Halifax, startled by the outbreak and threats of attack, began to look seriously to

the defense of the town. The Citadel was now for the first time regularly fortified and equipped with cannon. The following account of the hill and its defense works by Dr. Akins, an early historian of Nova Scotia, is well worthy of repetition here:

"The summit was then about eighty feet higher than at present. The works consisted of an octangular tower of wood of the block house kind, having a parapet and smaller tower on top with port holes for cannon, the whole encompassed by a ditch, the ramparts of earth and wood, with pickets placed close together slanting outward. Below this were several outworks of the same description extending down the sides of the hill a considerable distance."

In view of modern warfare, we smile at the simplicity of these fortifications which even the noise of a modern cannon would almost shatter. However, in those early days, they were of great strength against the equally simple weapons, and were prepared for whatever might chance to come. But the revolution rolled noisily along and ultimately ended without the

Citadel being called upon to fire a single shot.

For some time after the close of the War of Independence, Citadel Hill was, as far as defensive purposes were concerned, neglected, and the fortifications allowed to deteriorate. Then, in 1793, the threat of war with France caused the English once again to look to the strengthening of her colonies, and the importance of the port of Halifax was not overlooked. Sir John Wentworth, governor of Nova Scotia at that time, gave orders for repairs on Citadel Hill. Accordingly 550 men, from the First Battalion of the Halifax Militia, assisted the Garrison in repairing and mounting batteries on Citadel Hill. The hill was cut down and ramparts of earth constructed, mounting five or six guns at each angle, with a deep ditch. There were also covered ways and passages leading into the fort; willow trees were planted round the ramparts, and the whole was surrounded by a picket fence.

In the following year the people of the town were thrilled by the news that a Royal Prince, Edward Duke of Kent, was on his way to establish headquarters at Halifax; and when his ship entered the harbour the southern slopes of Citadel Hill must have held the whole population, so eager were the people to catch a glimpse of him. It is to this Prince that the hill owes for the most part her present fortifications. He was ordered here from Gibraltar where he had acquired a costly taste for fortifications and a zealous love of ramparts and bastions. Soon after his arrival he set about fortifying the land in earnest, leaving forts scattered intermittingly about the whole countryside. None of these were ever to be used; but he could not know He ordered the removal of the old fort on Citadel Hill and the commencement of new works. He employed in these operations negroes from Jamaica. These Maroons, as they were called, were not regarded as slaves, but were to be paid 9d per day besides provisions, lodging, and clothing. Later, they were given land and settled at Preston. Dr. Akins gives a brief account of their arrival and engagement by the Prince, which it may not be out of place to repeat here:

"On July 21st., 1796, vessels arrived in the harbour with five hundred Maroon negroes from Jamaica. The Maroons were descendents of a number of African slaves, who when Jamaica was conquered from the Spaniards, took refuge in the Island. They put into Halifax on their way to Canada. Prince Edward on inspecting the people was so much pleased with the athletic proportions of the young Mulatto men that he proposed to detain them to work on the fortifications of the

town, which were then in progress under his direction. The proposal was accepted by the Maroons, some were accordingly accommodated with sheds, others placed in barns, etc. A number were sent to work on Citadel Hill, and one of the bastions there was called the Maroon Battery."

Under the Duke's direction the old wooden walls and ramparts were torn down to make way for new and stronger ones of earth and granite. The most became wider and deeper and hidden tunnels were constructed leading out on to the sides of the hill, which are still in existence to day, although their exact location is unknown to the ordinary citizen. Citadel Hill became one of the strongest and most impregnable fortifications in America, and remained so for years; while Halifax rose to great heights as a military and naval stronghold.

On the north slope of the Citadel, in the rear of North Barrack a town residence was erected for the Duke. The building was later used as an army hospital until ultimately destroyed by fire, remains of its foundation remaining to a very recent date. The low range of buildings since used as barrack stores and as a military library were his stables and offices.

As a soldier the Duke was stern and, at first, finding much drunkenness and vice in the army, he undertook to correct this by making the soldiers drill at five every morning. But as a civilian, he was gay, friendly, and likeable, and when in 1800, a farewell salute was given him from Citadel Hill, as he sailed out the harbour, he left in Halifax many lonesome friends and a debt of nearly \$800,000. I may have drifted somewhat from the main theme but the story of Citadel Hill would not be complete without some mention of one to whom it owes so much.

The war with France passed, and, as in the American Revolution, though armed to the teeth and prepared for battle, Citadel Hill was not called upon to uphold her boasted strength. So when peace reigned again and threats of attack and thoughts of war faded from memory, the work and repairs on Citadel Hill ceased for a few more years.

For the third time the dangers of war moved the authorities to action. In 1812 when the United States came into conflict with the English over the question of American shipping, fortifications were brought once again into the limelight. Citadel Hill, Fort Cumberland, and other works were so much in want of repairs, as to be untenable. On these the commanding engineer, Captain Gustavius Nicolls had made a detailed report to the Board of Ordnance, Orders had been given however to repair the works at Halifax and operations were commenced at once under his superintendence. Once again all was in readiness for the enemy who as before failed to make his appearance and the clouds of war blew swiftly over, leaving an unmolested Citadel to bask in the joyful days of peace.

From this time on, the Citadel remained a strong but silent fortification, towering above the rapidly growing city, disturbed only momentarily now and then by a salute to some notable personage or hero, from its otherwise silent guns. Here for a number of years the people of the town brought their horses, goats and even cows to graze on its grassy slopes, while strong and silent it slumbered on, until its fortifications had become outmoded and useless in the mad progress of war and weapons. Its life as a useful fortification was over, and not once had it been called upon to fire in defense, never had it been attacked. Today as we look and smile at England and the United States trying to preserve their peace by undertaking stupendous

programs of rearmament, we are forced to recall that here is a fortress,

built for war but which brought peace.

By 1914, when the World War burst on Europe, the fortifications of Halifax were established elsewhere on islands and headlands; the Citadel had slipped in military importance. She was not discarded as absolutely useless however; for the authorities in Halifax gathered in all people of German nationality and otherwise suspected persons and used the old fort as a detention camp.

In 1917, these old grey walls imprisoned one who was to cause great disturbance in Russia and consequently throughout the whole world, so much so, that today he is known as "the Man without a country". In that year, the British Foreign Office had Leon Trotsky arrested and held in the Citadel dungeon until it believed that Kerensky could carry on the war against Germany. Then he was released; whereupon he proceeded to Brest-Litovsk and helped to end the hostilities between Russia and Ger-

many.

After the war when the troops had been withdrawn from Halifax, Citadel Hill remained empty until, during the present depression; it was called into use as a relief camp for the unemployed single men. It was during their stay in the old fortress that these men were put to work on the construction of the motor road which now encircles its summit. But now they too are gone and once more the old fortress sleeps peacefully on. All guns and cannon have been removed, except one situated on the south east corner, which signals the hour of twelve each day; and on special occasions is fired in honor of some person or event.

A lofty hill and watch tower for the Micmacs—a fortress—a newer and stronger fortress—finally a crumbling and sombre ruin and an observatory for the white man. Such is the history of Citadel Hill. You may visit it at any time of day and gaze down at the hustle and bustle of city life, the steady stream of vehicles on the streets below, ships entering and leaving the harbour; all with their tales of commerce, industry and modern

civilization.

Or you may prefer, as I, to climb the shaggy path to the summit when the sun has descended far into the west and is giving forth its last slanting rays. The smoke has ceased to issue in dense clouds from the chimneys and the busy life of the city has subsided. An atmosphere of peace and quiet prevails, making past and present seem as one. And as the spirits of bygone days rise about us we realize, for the first time, the true meaning and value of Citadel Hill to Halifax. It is the connecting link between the old Halifax and the modern one, the ring around which is woven the tales and memories of the little town of the eighteenth century. As we gaze from its ramparts we see not the modern city, but the relics of the earlier town. To the south we see that same harbour up which the people watched Wolfe sail, stopping at Halifax before continuing that last victorious but fateful voyage to Canada. On the east slope of the hill, we see the Town Clock, erected at the instigation of the Duke of Kent, still measuring out the minutes and hours as it has for over a century and a half. Below we see Brunswick Street running between North and South Barracks, once known as "Knock Him Down Street." Further down stands the original site of the town, old Saint Paul's, the Province Building and the quaint old fashioned Parade. To the north, we gaze upon the beautiful Bedford Basin with its story of Prince Edward's romantic lodge and fairy gardens. To the west, lies the Common, the original drilling ground for the town militia, the old Willow Tree where many an early deserter and criminal payed for hi scrime as he gasped his last breath swinging from its sturdy boughs. In the background, lies Northwest Arm with its cherished memories of Joseph Howe's

boyhood.

As we reach once again our starting-point and start down the slope, we realize that Citadel Hill is a relic well worth preserving; for the towers and the barracks and the old grey walls have stories to tell, stories for the most part still untold and which, if told, would enhance the interest of the place. Citadel Hill is to Halifax what the Coliseum is to Rome, a place of mystery, historical remembrances, and a drawing card for tourists. And as we gaze upon it once more, we add a prayer that Citadel Hill may be preserved; for with the destruction of the old fortress goes the destruction of the link between the present city and the little town of earlier days.

W. Donnelly.

The orchestra and its conductor, Mr. William Hopewell, deserve a special word of congratulation and thanks for keeping alive throughout the scholastic year a love for music and what it connotes.

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### The Need of Catholic Action

At a declamatory contest held under the auspices of the Catholic Women's League, in which students of Mount Saint Vincent College and St. Mary's College were the participants, Guy Renner, B.A. was awarded first place. The judges were Dr. P. S. Campbell, A. J. Haliburton, Esq. and Dr. Vincent C. MacDonald. Dean of the Law School. Dalhousie. His Honour, Justice Carroll, presided. The winner's address was as follows:

THERE is no God! Mercy killing is a civilized act! Divorce should be made easier!

These statements, ladies and gentleman, represent but a few schools of thought with which we are all remotely familiar. They represent the attitude and philosophy of many of our self-styled modern leaders.

To-day the Church, the State, and the Individual are confronted with a bewildering array of problems. Legislation is multiplied with confusing rapidity; economic difficulties, dissolved at one point, crop up seven-fold at another; blatant patriots peer over the horizon for enemies, whilst radical and communistic forces sap the foundations of our nations. Meanwhile, men hunger for peace and cry for bread.

It would be foolish for us to close our eyes and call out in a loud voice, "all's right with the world". It would also be foolish to deny the lamentable lack of forceful and continued effort on the part of many responsible leaders to direct the energies of those who look to them for guidance. It would be representative of our short sightedness to aver that Catholics generally had manifested a sufficient cooperation along the lines of Catholic Action.

If we are to hold our beloved faith and live under the banners of freedom in a free land, we must look facts in the face. Perhaps those of you who witnessed the exhibition of communistic literature held some years ago in the Knights of Columbus Hall, were shocked and rendered speechless at what you beheld. Perhaps you knew that communism was spreading in Europe but were you aware of the strength it had already attained in Canada? Now I have no intention of claiming that Canada is communistic. Thanks be to God it is far from it. Nevertheless I believe that if we fail to set up bulwarks of Catholic Action against the forces of communism wherever they appear, we, the people of Canada, will suffer as others are suffering.

In addition to the menace of communism, we are faced with increasing class hatred and class struggles. The spirit of Christian charity and brotherly love is being replaced by the spirit of envy and greed. The weak are suffering at the hands of the strong. Unscrupulous financiers are stealing the bread from the mouths of the poor. Irreligion is on the increase when by the splendid influences of men and women actuated by Catholic Action, it might have been on the decrease.

Now let us look at another aspect of world conditions. Not long ago a new divorce bill was introduced into the Senate at Ottawa. This bill, as far as I can see, is aimed at making divorce easier. Perverted morals have long been rampant in many countries. Now they invade Canada.

The introduction of this bill does not signify that Canada and especially our own native province of Nova Scotia have been free from vice and false moral philosophy. Far from it! This bill represents the culmination of a gradual growth of materialistic philosophy and perverted morals.

Destroy the sanctity of marriage and you destroy the state. For though we live and are responsible and work out our own destinies as individuals, yet we form the basic units of both Church and State as members of families. The appalling fact that in the United States alone, there are over one half a million disrupted homes reveals the root of countless present evils and future dangers in the country. The children of these homes, witnessing from their earliest years, the infidelities, selfishness, and injustice of their parents, are handicapped, from the very beginning of life, in meeting their own personal moral obligations later.

Besides this evil we are confronted with numerous other doctrines from the school of perverted morals. We hear self-called humanitarians advocate mercy killing and birth control. The philosophy underlying these doctrines is absolutely pagan. I call it pagan because it is promulgated

and established in direct violation of the rights of God.

Ladies and gentlemen, I have placed before you a brief resume of existing world conditions. When I look over the world I find it needs a very important thing-Christian Leadership exercising itself in Catholic Action. The world to-day hungers for Catholic Action. It is needed first of all in the home, in colleges, in business and in government. No one is ignorant enough to believe that Catholic Action can stop world depressions or other economic ills, but we all know that it will greatly lessen the dangers and frequency of these evils. I have often heard it said that youth is wildly steering its own course. It little behooves the older generation to complain thus when those who should guide it, have abdicated their authority and surrendered their interests. When the youthful Frederick Ozanam endeavoured to teach and exemplify in his own life the meaning of Christianity, he was answered in this manner: "Yes, you have a right to speak of the past. In bygone days Christianity did indeed work wonders, but to-day Christianity is dead." That is what the sceptics said then; that is what they say now. That is what must be said when Catholic Action is a weed in our gardens when a warm enthusiastic spirit does not grasp the torch of faith with which to blaze a trail to God and His Church.

To-day we need Christian men who by their example will show the scoffing world the true meaning of Christianity. We need men who are morally sound in every phase of conduct. They must be sure of what they believe and sure of what they do. Their viewpoint of things must be broadened by knowledge and experience. A true Christian leader realizes that superiority of any kind involves discipline, self-denial and self-sacrifice. Our leaders must be men who are trained to think; men who can recognize false philosophy and practices when they appear and are strong enough to overcome them. A lover of Catholic Action knows himself in his relationship with his fellow man in business. More important still, he respects the natural right of others and what is most important, he knows his re-

lationship with God, his Maker.

Perhaps some listening to this talk will point out that Catholic Action does not well fit in with modern life. I deny this; for to exercise Catholic

Action is but to be sensitively conscious of the verities, delighted to know that the Kingdom of God is within us and not without us; that we are our brother's keepers; that whether poor or rich a man can accept nothing in exchange for his soul; that we have a mission to save others as well as ourselves.

Frederick Ozanam aptly pointed out the influence of Catholic Action when he said: "It is not enough to save our country once or several times;

a great country wants to be saved every day."

The world to-day cries out more loudly than ever before to be saved. We have all witnessed the devastating effects of unchristian lives. We have seen false morals defended in some sections of the public press; we have heard pagan philosophy unfolded through the medium of the radio and the theatre. These evils can only be combatted by Catholic Action exercised through Christian Leadership. The world must be saved, not by force but by example. Our Christian men and women must show the world the true meaning of Christian charity. Our youth must be protected and properly trained.

We have often been told that the students of to-day will be the leaders of tomorrow. If the students are denied good example in their elders, if they are taught pagan philosophy, then it is only natural to conclude that our future leaders will be pagan and exponents of false morality. If on the other hand our youth are trained to love and obey God's law then we

can be sure of Christian leaders in the future.

In conclusion, ladies and gentlemen, let us call to mind the words of the founder of the St. Vincent de Paul Society: "Christianity", he said, "should not be considered merely as a sphere of thought and of worship, but as a sphere of action, of will, and of conduct."

J. G. Renner.

#### DOCTOR DOUGLAS HYDE—EIRE'S FIRST PRESIDENT

Palmam ferat qui meruit.

The Editors of The Collegian, the Faculty, and the student body of St. Mary's College, Halifax, Nova Scotia, whether of "Siol na nGaodhal" or not, extend warmest felicitations to Dr. Douglas Hyde, Eire's first President, upon the well merited honor unanimously conferred on him by his grateful countrymen.

The last Ard-Righ of Ireland was Roderick O'Connor. After the Norman invasion of his country, 1170, he retired to the Abbey of Cong,

in Mayo, where he spent the remainder of his days-

"Crownless, hopeless, there he lingered; Year on year went by him like a dream, While the far-off roar of conquest Murmured faintly like the singing stream."

He lies buried in Clonmacnois on the banks of the Shannon, his dust mingling with many a king's and many a saint's in that ancient, tranquil sanctuary.

Roderick, last of the kings of the Gael, was of Connaught. Doctor Douglas Hyde, Eire's first President, is likewise of Connaught. born, as

he was, amidst the rich, level pasture-lands of Roscommon. Of Connaught, Prince Aldfrid, A.D. 684: prince of the Northumbrian Saxons, wrote in his "Itinerary through Ireland", as translated by James Clarence Mangan from the original Irish—

I found in Connaught the just, redundance Of riches, milk in lavish abundance; Hospitality, vigor and fame In Croghan's land of heroic name.

The new President's early days were passed among a simple, religious, kindly people, differing from him in Faith, and, considering his subsequent career, one may conclude that he never felt himself a stranger within the walls. No "forainer, he, in his owne countrie or strangere in his owne citie"! His interest in the dying language of the nation, in the antiquities that spoke to him from every corner of the countryside, in the old tales he systematically copied down from the lips of the generation that was passing—this interest in the people, and in their past, besides endearing him to them, stamped him, in those days, as one deserving in every sense, the name of Irishman.

After Father O'Growney, no man, perhaps, has done more to save the Irish language from extinction than "The Creeveen", as all like to call him. His life's work has been devoted exclusively to that end. He wrote, he lectured, he composed, he edited, he travelled to collect funds on its behalf, and in addition, occupied the chair of Modern Irish in the National University, Dublin, from the date of its foundation until his retirement a few years ago. He collected and published The Religious Songs and The Love Songs of Connaught, secured and edited suitable Irish reading material for the secondary schools, and put between the covers of his History of Irish Literature, in English, a mass of material of extraordinary interest to any reader. In the matter of preserving local folk-lore for posterity, and recording particulars of manners and customs peculiar to the province, his zeal was unflagging, for he interpreted very seriously the motto on the cover of the bi-annual Journal of The Folk-Lore Society of Ireland, of which he is a member—"Colligite quae superaverunt fragmenta, ne pereant."

All this time, Doctor Hyde moved in the closest contact with men who, while thoroughly at one with him upon the importance of saving the country's language, yet differed among themselves as to the means to be adopted to secure the liberty of the nation itself. For one section, constitutional agitation was the solution, for the other, it was an ultimate appeal to force. Thomas Davis had written in earlier days—"Liberty for our country by all means, but let it be Gaelic!" In labouring for the achievement of Davis' cultural ideal, Doctor Hyde steadily eschewed all political affiliations and yet, at the same time, he won and held the affection and admiration of all, to whatever wing they belonged. He was on familiar terms with the men who made the sacrificial gesture of Easter Week, 1916, for the language was common ground. After the courtsmartial, when fourteen leaders lay in their graves in the heart of Dublin City, and most men's sympathy for the dead ran hand in hand with admiration for their amazing sacrifice, no one more freely dropped the tear of sorrow,

or in his heart more fully admired the sincerity and the nobility of their

action than their fellow-worker. Doctor Hyde.

By unanimously choosing him as Eire's first President, Irishmen have set the seal of their approval upon Dr. Hyde's work for the preservation of Ireland's national language. In making that selection they have shown the world—fairly critical of them at times!—that a man's religious beliefs are no bar to him in the Catholic south, and that they too can appreciate sincerity, talent and service devoted to the uplift of a people, resurgent

after a long night of religious persecution and hopes deferred.

Possibly, Dr. Hyde may, to-day, be inclined to sigh with a great Frenchman—"I enter here defeated by time." A very natural regret, indeed, on the part of one who worked so hard in the interests of the Language Movement. "Under a weary weight of years", and now finding himself in the highest position in the land, he may lament that, at his present age, he cannot so fully utilize this opportunity of still furthering the cause that lies nearest to his heart. But the new President need not grieve. He pioneered manfully, he has lived to see his handiwork approach maturity, and his must be the conviction that his work will endure.

Eire is proud of her "Creeveen", just as proud as he himself should

be of his own share in the regeneration. Pars magna fui.

Though riders be thrown in black disgrace, Yet I mount for the race of my life with pride: May I keep to the track, may I fall not back, And judge me, O Christ, as I ride my ride.

-(Douglas Hyde, From the Irish.)

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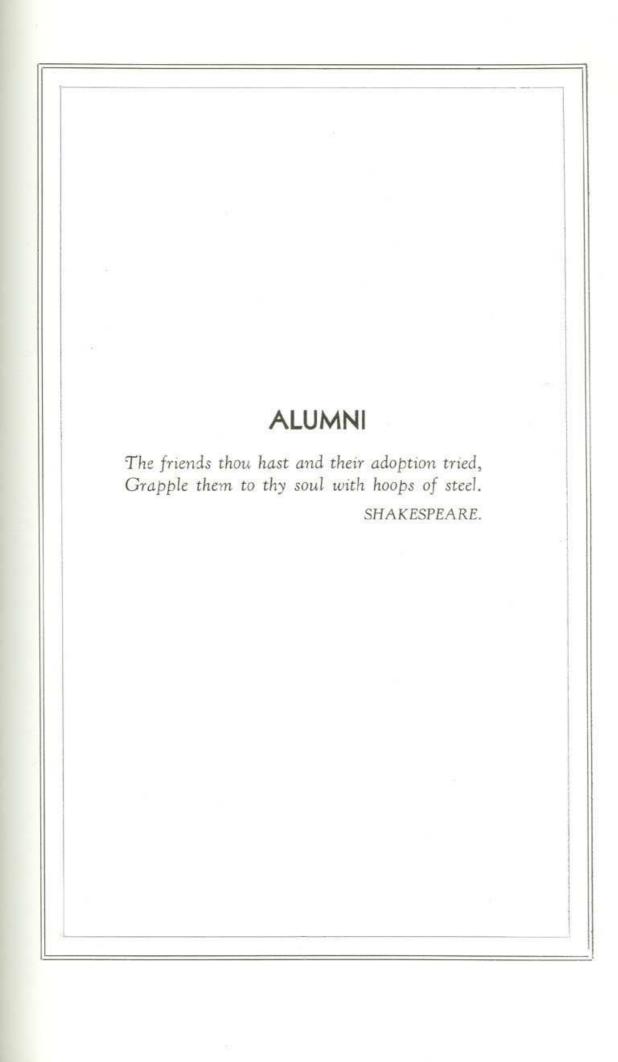
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## **ALUMNI NOTES**

The Alumni Society began its activities early in December. At the Annual Business Meeting, the slate of officers was drawn up for the current year. The destinies of the Society were entrusted to Joseph Powell as President and it proved a happy selection. Joe is not only a president with ideas and ambitions but also one with initiative.

#### EXECUTIVE

	President	
President.	Joseph Powell.	
Secretary.	LAWRENCE O'BRIEN	٧.
Treasurer.	Jack Christian.	

Plans were begun immediately for the Smoker Entertainment, the highlight of social activities for the Society. Featured by the wit and humor of Jim Abraham the big night of February 8th saw a large gathering of the "Old Boys" in the college auditorium. The entertainment was supplied by Jim Abraham's Theatrical Group. Through the generosity of local merchants it was possible to intersperse the program with various drawings. The large evening wound up with refreshments and a sing-song. Rev. Father McPherson kindly supplied a moving-picture on the occasion.

Many of the older members were surprised and delighted to see the steps taken in the establishment of a splendid library. Several of the members of the Society have availed themselves of the opportunity of donating books. It is in the interest of St. Mary's that we all do the same whenever possible.

At the present time the Alumni Society is conducting a drive for funds to present the College with a picture machine. As this is the first occasion in many years that the members have been called upon directly, we hope that all will give generously and gladly.

And now let us cast about and see how our "Boys" fared in the past year.

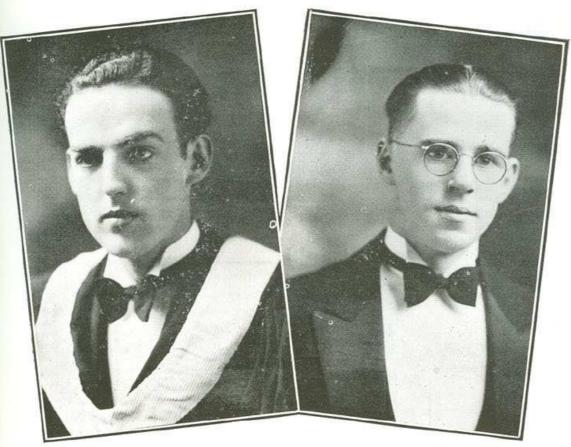
Our genial friend, Rev. Father Neary, was taken from our midst and stationed in Bermuda. We all envied him the warm weather while we experienced one of our coldest winters.

Practically from the other end of the earth comes "Babe" Vaughan who has been spending some time acquiring wireless experience in the Arctic. "Babe" underwent an operation during the winter and came through with colors flying.

Rev. Father Don Murphy spent a few weeks at home early in the year and was the guest of the Graduates' Society at an outing held at Porter's Lake. At present Fr. Murphy is teaching school in Southampton, England.

Harold Beazley added to his store of knowledge of Economic Problems etc. by attending Harvard Summer School. His only complaint was lack of golfing-time.

Jack Dyer, recently of the staff of the College dropped a bombshell by going to St. Catherine's as an employee of the English Electric Company and marrying a short time after. You never can tell. Latest news is that he is building himself a home. Good Luck, Jack.



GERARD R. CARROLL, B.A., '36

R. PHILIP WALSH

Gerard R. Carroll, B.A., '36, was awarded the M.A. degree at Catholic University, Washington, D.C.

Philip Walsh secured a B.Sc. in Chemistry from Dalhousie. He intends to study for the M.Sc.

"Gerry" Jackman also an ex-teacher is planning on taking the big step this spring as is Lou Norris. Both weddings we understand will take place in Montreal.

Dr. Arthur Murphy received the Fellowship of the American College of Surgeons. He is at present a member of the attending staff of the V. G. Hospital. Dr. Gerald Burnes B. A. was similarly honoured.

Of the seven students going from S. M. C. to Tech. in the past year, five have gained scholarships. They are John Roue, Joe Gillis, Gerry Belliveau, Tony Bernard and Gerry Thomas. Through continued application in the lecture-room and consistent and progressive study these young men have received the reward of their labours.

Jim Lovett did a fine job as Athletic Director at St. Mary's during the past year. His Junior Leagues were particularly well patronized and many a muscular young lad can thank "Smilin' Jim" for a great deal of sport.

We hear that Jim Bates is doing splendidly in the Brothers' Novitiate in New York. Jim received the habit last Christmas and is happy in his chosen life.

Word comes from the Canadian College in Rome that Greg Murphy, soon to be Father Greg, is doing remarkably well. We trust that he enjoys Europe's Politics as much as he did Nova Scotia's.



Peter J. O'Hearn, B.A., '37



Gordon J. Thomas, B.A., '37



James J. Hammond, B.A., '36

Peter O'Hearn, B.A., '37, Gordon Thomas, B.A., '37, and James Hammond, B.A., '37, obtained Teacher's Certificates from the Nova Scotia Department of Education.

## GRADUATES' SOCIETY

During the year the Graduates' Society, heretofore merely a group of interested graduates without rule or regulation, came into the realm of organized societies. It was determined that henceforth the Society would be called the Graduates' Society of S. M. C. with the welfare of the College as its general aim and the establishment of a Graduates' Section in the Library as its immediate purpose.

The slate of officers for 1937—38 is as follows.

Honorary President REV. BRO. LANNON.
President HAROLD BARTLOW.
Vice President REV. FR. HUGH MACDONALD.
Secretary JACK LYNCH
Treasurer WILLIAM MURPHY

The Society holds an Annual Outing each summer and it is hoped that all Grads will interest themselves in its welfare.



Basil K. Coady

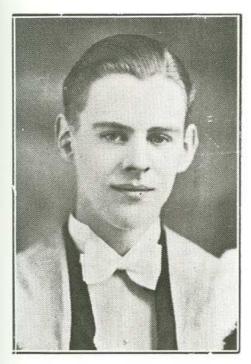


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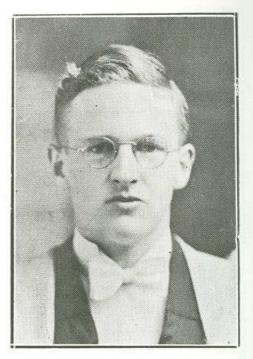


GRAHAM G. SIMMS

Thomas Sheehan received an LL.B.; Graham Simms and Basil Coady received the M.D., C.M. at the recent Dalhousie convocation.



THOMAS R. WALSH



J. NEVILLE O'NEILL

Thomas Walsh and Neville O'Neill received B.E. degrees at the Nova Scotia Technical College Convocation.

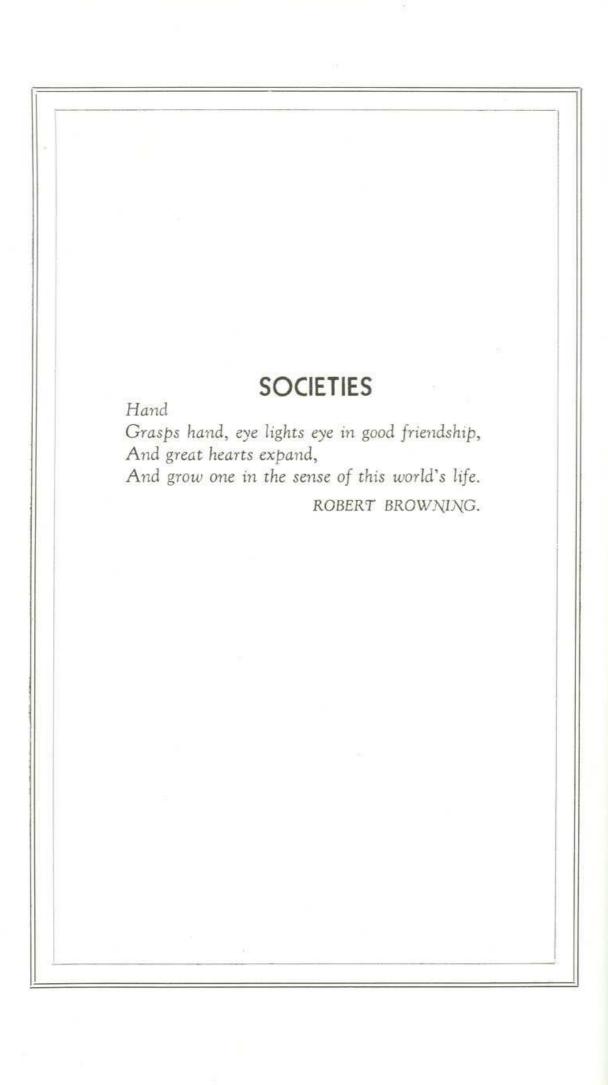
## CHANGES IN COLLEGE STAFF

Once again we have to record a few changes among the faculty. Rev. Brother Cornelia completed a six-year term as President of the College, and, to the regret of a great number of friends was transferred to New York. He was succeeded by Rev. Brother Lannon who came to St. Mary's in the fall of 1933.

Rev. Brother Birmingham, past President of St. Bonaventure's College, Newfoundland, was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the departure of Rev. Brother Cornelia. Brother Birmingham was one of the first Brothers at St. Mary's and he is now being welcomed by many old friends.

Among the lay teachers, Messrs. John Dyer B. Sc. and George Burleton B. Sc. resigned to take up new work in other parts of Canada. Their places have been taken by Mr. E. C. Thomas, B.E., a graduate of St. Mary's and the Nova Scotia Technical College, and Mr. Goudge, B.E., a graduate of Acadia. Mr. Gerald Flavin, LL.B., who lectured in Political Science for some time was forced to retire due to ill health, and he was succeeded by Mr. Richard Donahoe, LL.B.

In the Commerce Department, ill health also forced Mr. Lloyd, C.A., to turn over his duties to Mr. Evans, C.A. To those who have just come among us as well as to those who have gone we extend our best wishes for continued success in their respective fields of work.



## **SOCIETIES**

#### MISSION CRUSADE SOCIETY

The efforts of St. Mary's students on behalf of the foreign missions were coordinated and rendered more effective by the following executive:

Spiritual Director Rev. Brother Birmingham.
President Francis Corcoran.
Treasurer Joseph Foohey.
Vice-President Graham Dyer.
Secretary Terrence O'Leary.
Corresponding Secretary John Murphy.

The past year was a great success and the precedent of former years was upheld. The president, Mr. Corcoran, deserves special commendation on the businesslike way in which he conducted the affairs of the society.

Resignation of Rev. Brother Lannon. At the very outset the society suffered a set back which brought genuine sorrow to the executive and the society at large. Reverend Brother Lannon was forced through pressure of duties to resign from the post of Spiritual Director which he had held since coming to St. Mary's. Brother Lannon is a most zealous worker in the cause of the Missions and it was felt that his loss would seriously impair the efficiency of the Society. His every thought was for the Missions and his zeal permeated every member of the Society and in itself was sufficient to warrant complete success. We all felt deep regret and no little apprehension on hearing of his resignation. Brother Lannon however did not lay down the torch when he resigned. Throughout the year he was ever ready to assist and advise the executive in its work. To him the Mission Crusade Society is deeply indebted for with such workers in the field it matters little that, "The labourers are few."

Brother Birmingham replaced Brother Lannon on the executive and carried on the work with an efficiency which soon quieted any fears engendered by the resignation of our beloved Director.

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

The meetings this year were characterized with a fine spirit of attention and respect for the great work in which we as crusaders are privileged to participate. The prayers and crusade hymns were led by Rev. Brother Birmingham. All other business of the meeting was carried on by the President and the various speakers who were called upon to detail some phase of Mission activity. During the year speeches were given by the following:—Messrs. Jack Murphy, Graham Dyer, Mike Fitzpatrick, Bob Faulkner, Owen Quinn.

## Triduum in Honor of St. Francis Xavier

The annual triduum in honor of Our Patron was most successful. A feature of this year's triduum was the High School day at which meeting two members of the Junior Unit gave very interesting talks. The program for the Triduum was as follows:

Special prayers. Crusaders' Hymn. Selected Mission Talks.

The speakers were:

First Day:

Catholic Action ..... John MacDonald. Life of St. Francis Xavier .... Dermot O'Keefe.

Second Day:

Third Day:

Life of St. Theresa..... HAROLD ROSE.

Difficulties of Missionaries. Frank Reardon.

Communism. Gerald Churchill.

## THE CANTEEN

Under the very capable direction of Graham Dyer, the canteen was very successful this year. The canteen provides a great source of revenue to the Society and a good deal of credit is due the students who gave up all their recesses to cater to the student body. Mr. Dyer was ably assisted in his work by Frank Reardon and Edward Earle.

## THE BOOK RACK

The Mission Crusade Pamphlet Rack, which was installed by last year's executive, was well patronized this year. The rack displayed many interesting and varied pamphlets and kept the student body in constant contact with the spiritual life.

## VARIOUS ACTIVITIES

The collection of stamps and newspapers was carried on with customary efficiency. Many packages of stamps and papers were dispatched to various Missions in Canada. Several very interesting letters were received from foreign Missionaries, notably amongst them was one from Rev. Fr. Strang, a former student of Brother Birmingham in St. Bonaventure's College, St. John's Nfld.

Sixty copies of Monsignor McGrath's fine book, "The Dragon at Close Range," were received at the College. The Boarders started a campaign and succeeded in disposing of every copy.

TERRENCE O'LEARY, Secretary.

## TAU GAMMA SIGMA SOCIETY NOTES

Another year has been added to the history of Tau Gamma Sigma Society. Shortly after the opening of the college last fall the executive members for 1937-8 took up their respective duties. Unfortunately, however, many of the events scheduled for the year did not materialize. The first disappointment came in the form of the initiation. The energetic executive backed by the whole-hearted cooperation of every member arranged for an elaborate initiation ceremony. Departing from the custom

of former years it was decided to hold the initiation at Lawrencetown. Due to the trips made by the various rugby teams it was found necessary to abandon these plans. As a result, one of the largest groups ever to enter Tau Gamma Sigma was formally admitted to the Society without initiation on the 9th.

The annual banquet was for a similar reason likewise cancelled. However Tau Gamma's general activities were by no means failures. During the course of the year many meetings were held. The attendance at these meetings was the largest recorded in many years. Matters of grave importance to the members were thoroughly discussed. Each meeting saw more graduate members in attendance with the result that there arose a greater interest and appreciation among the members in the affairs of Tau Gamma Sigma.

Perhaps the most important event of the year was the appointment of a committee to study thoroughly the constitution of the society. The present executive and undergraduate members felt the need of several amendments to the now existing constitution. With this aim in view, the committee after a careful consideration for the interests of both graduate and undergraduate members have brought in their report. As a result of this report it is expected that several important amendments will be brought in at the annual meeting of the society. Unfortunately the Collegian will go to press before this meeting will take place so we are unable to announce its result. However it is generally felt that these changes will allow greater freedom in operation and permit the Society to achieve greater things in the future.

In past years Tau Gamma Sigma usually conducted all its affairs ndependently of the other college societies. During the present school term however the societies have drawn closer together and a greater spirit of cooperation between the various societies has arisen. This action resulted in a more united college student body which proved beneficial both to the individual society and the college as a whole.

At the present time, Tau Gamma Sigma is making plans for the final social function and meeting at which the new executive will be appointed. Time does not allow us to await the outcome of this election and publish the names of the incoming officials who will guide the destinies of the society for the year 1938-9. It is to be hoped that the new executive will uphold the standards attained by preceding officials and it is with this wish that we pledge our support to the men who will fill our places.

Lastly, on behalf of this year's executive I wish to thank Rev. Bro. Lannon and all those who have supported and furthered the interests and welfare of Tau Gamma Sigma Society in any way.

J. GUY RENNER, Secty.-Treas.

#### THE ENGINEERING SOCIETY

This year The Engineering Society once again held faith with her founders in achieving that standard which they prescribed eleven long years ago—the attainment to a status of organization and to a preeminence in all college activities.

Responsible in a large measure for this high standard was the capable leadership and unstinted labors of our genial president, John Bulley. Acting with Mr. Bulley this year were:

Vice President Douglas J. Mackey.
Treasurer Francis J. Reardon.
Secretary J. Douglas Kline.

The above slate was elected at the first meeting of the Society held in early October. That same evening therewas put to the meeting for ratification a new constitution which had been drafted by the executive for the society. During this and at later meetings its provisions met with full acceptance.

On the initiation of twenty-three freshmen engineering students our organization became the largest active class society in the college with a

total enrollment of fifty-five undergraduate members.

At the beginning of the year a schedule of social functions and business meetings was drawn up and throughout the year this was strictly adhered to. Regular monthly meetings were held and special meetings were called when the need arose. A skating session at the Forum gave much enjoyment. The Annual banquet was held at the Lord Nelson Hotel on Feb. 18th. and proved to be a very successful affair.

In accordance with the new constitution, the executive for next year was elected at the annual meeting in early May. The slate is as follows:

Pres., Wesley Theakston. Vice-Pres., James Spruin. Secretary, Frank Reardon. Treasurer, George West.

J. Douglas Kline, Sec.

## DELTA LAMDA KAPPA

The scholastic year just completed saw an encouraging increase in the membership of Delta Lambda Kappa. On the occasion of the initiation,

twelve new members were enrolled in the Commerce Society.

The annual society banquet was held in November at the Nova Scotian Hotel with Mr. Harold Egan B. A., B. Comm. as guest speaker for the evening. Also in attendance were Rev. Bro. Lannon, President of the College, and Mr. John Lloyd C. A. Auditing Professor of the Commerce Department. Many of the past members of the Society were also in attendance and were gladly welcomed by the present members. It was intended that some other functions be held during the year, but these up to the time of writing have not as yet taken place.

The past year's executive:

Edward Flynn, President. Kenneth Johnstone, 2nd. Vice Pres. Gerald Churchill, Secretary. Gordon Cowan, Treasurer.

proved itself most capable in handling the affairs of the Society. The executive for next year has not yet been elected.

And now on behalf of the undergraduate members of the Delta Lamda Kappa Society, I extend to the Commerce Graduates as well as to those of the other departments, sincere wishes for their future success and happiness. A happy vacation to all!

OWEN P. QUINN.

#### THE DEBATING SOCIETY

The second in a series of Radio Debates against Dalhousie University took place on Nov. 22nd., 1937. In former years, teams representing St. Mary's had met and defeated Dalhousie in debates on the public platform. In 1936 it was decided to extend our debating activities and plans were made for a series of Radio Debates against Dalhousie. Jack Finlay and Frank Corcoran successfully upheld the affirmative of the resolution, "Resolved that Canada Should Increase Her Armaments."

On Nov. 22nd., 1937, the two colleges met in the second contest of the series. The St. Mary's team of Guy Renner and Frank Corcoran upholding the negative side of the resolution: "Resolved that Modern University Training is a Disappointment to Parents," met defeat at the hands of Graham Murray and Harry Houser, Dalhousie representatives.

Mr. Murray, in opening the debate, declared that the universities were a disappointment both socially and economically. College degrees, he con-

tended, were no aid in finding work.

Mr. Corcoran, the first speaker of the negative, claimed that the students and not the university training were responsible for any disappointment that existed.

Continuing the debate for Dalhousie, Mr. Houser held that the universities themselves realize the training they offer is a disappointment to parents. In their effort to correct this failing they were, he said, "making college courses even more impracticable and more disappointing to parents."

The fourth speaker, Mr. Renner, pointed out that universities were filled to capacity. Public bodies and men of means were constantly endowing them. These two points alone he claimed should prove that universities were not a disappointment to parents.

Judges for the debate were Dr. W. D. Forrest, and Messrs. R. F. Yeoman, and H. R. Shinner. The chairman was Dr. J. Bryce

Milner of the Dalhousie Sodales executive.

As a result of this contest the two colleges are now tie, both claiming one victory. It is sincerely hoped therefore, that this series will be continued next year and that the St. Mary's team will once again defeat her friendly rivals from Dalhousie.

#### PHI PHI SIGMA SOCIETY

In colleges the world over, there have always existed societies whose main purpose has been to promote a spirit of good fellowship among the students. We of the Freshman Arts Class have not been found wanting in this respect.

Immediately after the opening of classes last September the fellows got together and elected an executive whose duty it would be to look after the affairs for the coming year. The following were chosen:

President John Theriault.
Vice-President Norman Ibsen.
Secretary James Fennessy.
Treasurer Terry Martin.

Monthly meetings were held which in themselves provided much enjoyment for the members. At these meetings all were urged to offer

opinions and criticisms which were for the most part found helpful by the executive, and in this manner many events were planned which otherwise would have been neglected. Any member who had some authority tried to keep before his mind the reason for the existence of such a fraternity, which is mainly to look after the social aspect of the school life. On this account he discharged his duty more cheerfully besides helping to mould a successful year.

The most enjoyable function in regard to social entertainment took place at the home of Terry Martin on February last and was genuinely enjoyed by every member. Many thanks Terry for your generous gesture—"a friend in need is a friend indeed;" or as a local journalist once said—"if we had more men of Mr. Martin's calibre our Societies would be much better off!"

On looking back we find that we have very little to complain about. One year of our college course is finished. True indeed we have not found it any too easy. We all meet our difficulties sooner or later in life and it is just as well to find them out at an early stage in the race. The experience that we have gained, apart from the knowledge, has given us something to look back on and also something substantial to go forward on so that we may experience even greater success in our future college years.

To the Graduates we wish every success in their chosen fields and we feel sure that they will carry the spirit of Saint Mary's wherever they may go. May they go forward to their destination with the same steadiness and ability as they did while in college.

Members of the Phi Phi as well as those of the other societies, we hope you will have a very happy vacation, filled with all the things which make a good vacation a real vacation. With this wish as a closing I say "solong" and the best of luck to you all.

JAMES FENNESSY.

## COVERING THE CADETS

On Feb. 15, 1938, the St. Mary's College C.O.T.C. celebrated their third birthday. This organization, which during its premier year consisted of twenty-five inexperienced college students today, boasts of a crack corps of sixty well trained embryo officers.

Although militaristic in appearance and name, its ultimate purpose is not entirely so. As its name suggests, it is a training corps for college-educated youth to establish a reserve of officers of a high and intellectual caliber. Through this organization, coordination of mind and body is developed, discipline is stressed, athletics are encouraged and leadership is fostered. Enlistment is voluntary.

During its existence at St. Mary's, the corps has been commanded by Mr. Gerald Hill and this year by Mr. Gerald Sullivan. Next year will see a new O.C. in the person of Mr. Edward Thomas.

During this year, lectures were conducted by the Royal Canadian School of Artillery in "A" certificate work for the senior cadets and in preliminary artillery for the junior cadets. The results of the exams on the former, which as yet have not been received will establish successful candidates as elegible for commissions in the Reserve of Artillery Officers.

The first general inspection of the Nova Scotia Technical College contingent C.O.T.C. of which St. Mary's is a part was held this year on April 7th. by Brigadier General Boak. The St. Mary's corps was well represented and gave a fine display of efficiency and ability.

The annual summer training course will be held this year at Sandwich Battery from May 22nd to 29th. It is expected and hoped that a further training camp will be held at Petawawa sometime during the summer

for the senior cadets only.

The pioneer members of this organization who now hold responsible ranks, look with pride on this well-established and highly efficient unit. Through their carnest endeavours they feel they have established on a solid foundation an organization of which their Alma Mater may well feel proud. As they sever their connection with St. Mary's this year, they predict a glorious future for the C. O. T. C.

J. Doug. KLINE.

Best Wishes to The Graduating Class of St. Mary's College

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## **CLASSES**

#### SENIORS

As graduation is almost upon us, it becomes the duty of senior arts to present a brief summary of the year's activities. At the first meeting the following slate of officers was unanimously elected:

President Frank Corcoran.
Vice-President Guy Renner.
Secretary-Treasurer ED SMALL.

There being no set rules governing class meetings, Senior Arts had informal get-togethers every Thursday morning after Political Science. Thus the gatherings were in the nature of Study Clubs, students giving

impromptu speeches on items of general interest.

This year, for the first time in the history of St. Mary's the graduates will present a joint gift upon leaving. It was largely through the efforts of Senior Arts that members of the other departments pooled their resources, and with the money thus obtained will donate a magnificent set of books to the new library. It is to be hoped that succeeding classes will follow this precedent, so that in time to come the library will be counted among the best libraries in the city.

Senior Arts socials come to an official close on May 16 with a camping trip to Seabright. The committee in charge of the outing is comprised of Messrs. Jim and Jack McDonald, M. Ney, and J. Foohey. Messrs. J. Devan, H. Colford, W. Donnelly, and J. Murphy are preparing a comic play which is to be the feature attraction, and it is anticipated that our last function of the term will be a very enjoyable affair.

## JUNIORS

It has often been said that the great object of life is the pursuit of knowledge, that universities are established for the education of youth. But those who delve deeply into studies, those who strive for knowledge realize that the great object of life is the pursuit of happiness. In this respect the Juniors are naturals. They pursue happiness—yea:—we are fun-loving, happy-go-lucky individuals who came to college for an education but at the same time in the pursuit of happiness. We have been condemned, very strongly in some quarters, for our actions but we shine in studies as well as others do and what's more we have a lot of fun doing this.

And so—I give you the Juniors: Can you take it boys? First we have George Beals, a profound Greek scholar, who would sooner think than eat. He looks it. George said he could run the hundred, so we got him to run the class. He did it in about a yard and a half a page of Shakespeare. Next we have Jack Burke, a very dignified looking lad who can make a Frenchman sound like an Engineer. Jack says he lights a match for fun, but we know he wants a flame. And then if you'll watch closely, you're bound to stumble over Jack Caryi. Jack maybe small but he can tell some big ones. He still can't see Shakespeare. I went to seek him one day, but they told me he's been dead for three hundred years. Next we have

Ed. Coolen who shines at hockey, studies, and blowing his nose. Ed. was in Upper Canada this winter and says it reminded him of a picture,—"A Hundred Men And a Girl." Well, anyway, Dan Janigan still thinks that love is blind, that the new library is swell, that the weasel is a rat, and that a gas station is where the women have their knitting-bees. Can you beat that! And now we have Dermot O'Keefe, the pride of every Newfoundlander. Yep, of the whole twenty-three, "Derm" is an outstanding student in the highest sense of the word and has a great sense of humor at the right time. Brian O'Connell is another of the boys and is one of the most staunch supporters of college activities. "Oke" just loves French but

we hope he'll feel better after a good vacation.

When a question arises in Philosophy ask "Sandy" Mackay the answer. Take the contrary of the answer, boil for a few minutes, and when the old man in the corner wins Bingo you're just as foolish as you ought to be. However, "Sandy" is a fine young feller. He's got ambition, works well, thinks a lot and I think the old man just won Bingo. Which brings me to "Marty" MacDonald, an athlete, and a student. "Marty" shines at telling jokes and his best one is about the Scot and the skunk. Oh well, what's the difference. Herbie Mulcahie is the boy with the frozen face, whose chief hobby is laughing at Bro. Doyle's jokes. Of course "Herb" has a great sense of humor but doesn't see anything funny about the weasel. Speaking of weasels "Bernie" Tolson came into his own as an actor this year. "Bernie" has an ambition to fly, go on the stage, or make a touch-down against the Navy. "Norm" Whelply was forced to leave college due to illness but while here he took a leading part in C.O.T.C. activities. And lastly we have Gerald Renner, a keen student and a fine gentleman, and possessing a sense of humor par excellence.

And that concludes our little discourse on the Juniors, the intellectual, athletic, and happy-go-lucky class of the college. We wish Faculty and Students all the joys of the vacation and our advice to all is: "Take it easy."

BOB FAULKNER.

## AROUND THE DRAFTING ROOM

Once again we close our books on another year of college life but this time we write finis across the covers of the St. Mary's Volumes. That fateful day is swiftly approaching, when, with feelings of joy and sadness we walk up the long aisle to receive our coveted "sheep-skin"—that, will be our last scholastic connection with S.M.C.

The thought brings memories rushing back, to live once again their colorful careers, midst reminiscing groups gathered in the historic drafting-room. Some of the old boys look back on their collegiate days but most of

the talk centers around the past year.

First there was Truro—with its fields to be surveyed—its bridges to be built and its main street to be traversed. The first was compulsory. "Doug." Mackey supervised the second during a forty-eight hour sleepless shift in the Agricultural College Building. "Joe" College with "Terry" and Greer did the walking and "Algy" saw that everything was "Ho-Kay."

Back from the Hub with a little knowledge and many memories we found two new profs. Mr. Ed. "Barney" Thomas a former graduate of

S. M. C. and Mr. "Mac" G. Goudge ably supporting Rev. Brothers Croke and Lynam. These new men soon proved to be fine lecturers and swell fellows.

From the very beginning of the year the Engineers proved their ability in every line of college endeavor—many of the boys representing their Alma Mater on the playing field and others in responsible executive positions.

"Jimmie" Spruin was the hero in more than one rugby game and along with "Gerry" Jefferson did much to lift the City Intercollegiate Rugby Crown.

Then there was the City Intercollegiate Hockey Cup, the winning of which is just a habit with S. M. C. In fact with "Westie", "Vinnie" Jack Woods and "Don", the team would have gone much further, but that Maritime title is still a pipe dream.

"Jeff" was adjutant in the C. O. T. C., "Moose" was Sergeant-Major and "Cardinal" Bulley and "Skerry" O'Leary were senior sergeants.

"Terry" recorded the minutes for the Mission Crusade and "Fire-Chief" Kline controlled the finances of the A.A.A.

Six of our number who have felt the urge for higher learning will receive their B.Sc. degrees this year; four others will capture their Engineering Diplomas.

To the Brothers, we say au revoir but not good-bye, for the present we shall not forget—in the future we hope to repay.

To the undergraduates, we pass on our standards of honor and preeminence. We did well,—you do better.

To the graduates and to those whom we shall not meet at Tech. we bid a fond farewell.

J. Doug. Kline.

#### SOPHOMORES

Again another year has come and gone, as years are wont to come and go. And once again it befalls the Sophomores, the privilege of recording for the reader's eye some of the activities of their illustrious class.

This year we Sophs severed our immediate connection with the Engineers and Commerce men, and as Arts '40 became one happy family. At present we number twelve, which number was attained when a new student in the person of Clyde Duggan joined our company; he has since proven his worth.

The Soph class with the exception of Clyde Duggan was admitted into the Tau Gamma Sigma. The much publicized initiation did not prove as a stumbling-block, but we are still wondering just what are the activities of this society. The annual banquet of the class did not materialize due to unforeseen circumstances that could not be overcome. However we are aspiring to a banner year in Junior, and if omens are reliable, then all our hopes will be duly realized.

This year as usual the Sophs upheld their reputation in the field of Athletics, Drama, and Oratory: Jack MacDonald and "Art" Hinch received high laurels for their spectacular work in the Rorum;—"Scotty" for his all round good playing and "Art" for his ability in the "nets". By the way, Art's ambition is to play for the Toronto Leafs, "Watch out, Broda." Gerald Murphy also played great hockey and it is said that he has a bullet-

like shot. But let us not forget "Bill" Grant, the pride of Dartmouth, who led the Stars to victory on many occasions. He claims that they could beat the Canadians.—We wonder?

In Drama the Sophs excelled. Clyde Duggan made a name for himself as a sleeping Apostle in the recent play, "A Fantasy of the Passion." In Br. Keough's "Varsity Show" we were highly represented in the persons of "Scotty" MacDonald and Tom Connolly. "Scotty" as Rodney the hero, and Tom as the leading lady, share the greater part of the spotlight. Take a bow, boys! Congratulations Br. Keough and Mr. Lynch—a fine show.

Likewise in oratory the Sophs were prominent. Three debates were held during the final term among ourselves, each debate being closely contested and the margin of victory slim. The captains of the winning teams were Gerald Scallion, Gerald Murphy and Gerald Moffat. "Bill" Grant, "Joe" Nunn and Jack MacDonald also proved themselves to be budding Ciceros. As is the custom the Freshmen annually challenge the oratorical ability of the Sophs in a debate on the rostrum. However, this year, no challenge came in either written or verbal form, so the Sophs are given to understand that the Freshmen are content to let us hold the honor that we inherited from last year's class.

Now for a few random shots. "Morocco" MacLean wants to become a professional hand-ball player. Parker Morash is making a close study of the "Barber of Seville." Does that account for the glasses Parker? "Marsh" Brackett, "Joe" Nunn and Moffat intend to go into the antique business and make a specialty of collecting old autos,—model 'A's and 'T's.

On behalf of the class we extend wishes to all the Brothers and Professors at St. Mary's for a happy holiday. We also say "Adieu" to class mates who per chance may leave our midst and say "Welcome" to the new Sophomores.

So Auf Wiedersehen, Adios, Au revoir, etc.

GERALD H. KELLY.

## BUSINESS TRAINING STUDENTS

Soon another year will have passed, writing finis to the school careers of many of our students. In the space available we shall endeavour to note the histories of each of our senior students.

ALLEN B. FOLEY.... Came to St. Mary's in the fall of 1932, remaining throughout high school where he starred in hockey and rugby; entered the Business Training Class in 1936 and since has been a member of Intercollegiate Hockey and Rugby Teams. A hard worker at all times "Al" should go far in this business world.

Robie E. Cartile... Entered St. Mary's College in the fall of 1933; matriculated, and entered the Business Class in 1936. Robie is a staunch disciple of Isaac Walton, spending much of his spare time on the streams and lakes throughout the country. A very neat appearing young man who would do credit to any office staff. Good luck, Robie!

Howard V. Kelly... Another of the Old Guard entering these portals in 1932. Kelly is a student of no mean ability whose motto is "A thing worth doing is worth doing well." A keen supporter of all things St. Mary's who can be seen at every football or hockey game.

J. David Renner... Received his high school education within the college, coming to the Business Training Class in 1935. After spending a year in the business world, he has returned to become one of our leading students. Another one of the staunch supporters of St. Mary's, "Dave" has never been known to miss a chance to support any activity of the College.

JOHN B. CODY....Coming to St. Mary's from St. Patrick's in the fall of 1936, John has won his way into the hearts of all those who have had any dealing with him. Starred in football during his brief sojourn at the College. An ardent student whose ability will undoubtedly be recognized in the world of commerce.

Edward J. MacDonald... Entered St. Mary's College in 1932; competed for St. Mary's in High School competition for a number of years; star defenceman. In his first year at St. Mary's he was a member of the Junior High Champions in hockey, and in his last year at the College he was a member of the Intercollegiate Hockey Champions. "Ed" is a hardworking student and will succeed in whatever field of work he enters.

C. Dudley Chisholm...Will not be among those who receive their diplomas in May. He has accepted a position with a local motor dealer. Dudley will be remembered as one of St. Mary's outstanding athletes. Starring in College football and hockey. In his high school days he was a member of many championship teams. Coaches Hayes and Sullivan will miss Dudley very much next year.

#### FIRST YEAR BUSINESS TRAINING

Another year has quietly and quickly glided in the past. As we are looking ahead at the beginning of a long-wished-for vacation we can look back with great memories over a very enjoyable and successful year spent in Business Training. Here we turn the spotlight on the individuals of our group:

Bennett Barrett-Finds himself the best company.

Duncan Campbell—Cheerful, indeed.

Arthur Cross —Likes to talk about the Army.

Leo Deveau—The silent partner of the Business Class.

Charles Dwyer-Healy's shadow.

Robert Gibson—Eats, dreams and talks Badminton.

Cyril Healy—No place like Newfoundland.

"Jerry" Mulcahy—One of Canadian's hockey stars.

"Larry" O'Connell—Another man who appreciates hockey.

To John Carroll who changed his course we wish him every success and especially a recovery of his health after his recent illness.

To Rev. Br. Roth and Mr. Lynch, we wish to convey thanks for the help they gave us. We sincerely hope they will be with us when the classes open next year.

To the Graduating Class may we extend our sincere congratulations and we wish all, every possible success in the field of their future endeavors.

R. K. GIBSON.

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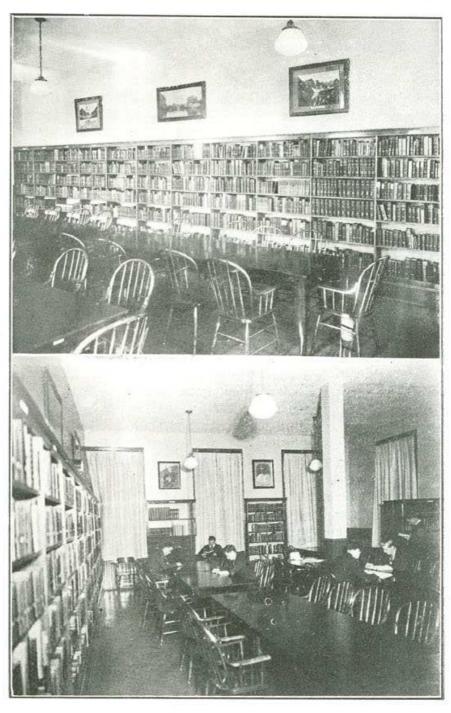
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# The New Library

THE existence of an up-to-date, well equipped library is recognized as an essential and indispensable part of an educational institution, and it has been called into being by methods of higher education. At one time any room housing a collection of books was the "library" but now, however, the value of a library is not wholly in the books, but in its



arrangement and layout—an arrangement that enables the seeker of information to find the book he is looking for without difficulty and without loss of time.

In the establishing of a library for the first time in a school or College, three classes of people must of necessity be concerned with and interested

in the project if it is to succeed.

First, there is the Head of the Institution who provides the funds for the initial expenditure involved, and who makes provision for further outlay of money according as the library proves its worth. He, to whose far sighted vision the library owes its founding, must of necessity, be a man of energy, courage and optimism. These feelings should be shared by those around him if the final product is to live up to the expectations of the originator.

Secondly, the faculty must become conscious of the possibilities of a college library. The library itself is helpless to perform at its best unless there is a strong effort on the part of the teachers to lend assistance. It must not degenerate into a place where reserved books are merely looked at. In a sense every teacher is an integral part of the working of the library and from his suggestions prompted by the needs of his class, books can be gradually procured that are of value and needful to the library and not ones that will lie in idleness on the shelves month after month.

Finally, the students must accustom themselves to make the fullest use of the library so as to obtain a much broader view of the work

they are taking up.

The college library has become important because of the change in the numbers and types of students enrolling in colleges. Year by year this number has increased and this indicates that more people are striving for higher education than formerly. They are seeking information not entirely designed to cultivate their vocational training, but other general information, useful to them in their daily lives outside their vocations.

The day of the single text book and the lesson-hearing teacher seems definitely to have passed into the background with other discarded things. The curriculum of that time has greatly expanded to include work that necessitates broad reading, and this in turn makes a library indispensable.

As soon as the new scholastic year began, the new p esident, Rev. Brother Lannon had contracted for the construction of a new library. Well knowing the value of such a project, he has willingly expended a considerable amount of money to set up a library that is modern in every Although small, when measured by the number of volumes it contains, as compared with the number in larger libraries, it is ample to fill the needs of the students at St. Mary's, and is being continually added to. In the long run it is better to have a small, well equipped library that is constantly in use than to have a large number of books that are never asked for. The books have all been catalogued under the Dewey Decimal Classification System and are readily located. Under this system all material that can be found in a library is divided into nine large classes with numbers assigned to each. These classes are: 0. General Works; 1. Philosophy; 2. Religion; 3. Social Sciences; 4. Philology; 5. Pure Science; 6. Useful Arts; 7. Fine Arts; 8. Literature; and 9. History. Each of these classes is further divided into nine divisions, each with its own number.

For example, Philosophy is divided into Ethics, Metaphysics, Logic, etc., and History is divided into Geography and Travel, Biography, Ancient History and Modern History the last-named being listed under six continental headings. Finally each division is subdivided into nine sections. Ethics for example, being divided into State Ethics, Social Ethics, etc. and History being divided according to countries. The use of decimal numbers in this system makes it possible to classify an indefinite number of books.

In actual practice every number on the back of a book has a definite meaning. For instance number 822 means that the book belongs to the eighth class (Literature), the second division (English Literature) and the second section of English Literature (drama). A further number such as Al is assigned, the A being the first letter of the author's surname and the one signifying that it is the first book of that class by an author whose

name begins with A.

Besides containing at the present time almost three thousand books, for study and research, the library is classifying as many others in extended courses of reading. We receive regularly some twenty magazines including Time, News Week, Catholic World, America, etc. The latest edition of each magazine is placed in a magazine rack in the library and back copies are filed for reference. An Abridged Reader's Guide for the magazines is received monthly. After a suitable period, magazines are bound and are catalogued as books.

The reference section of the library contains over three hundred volumes consisting of encyclopedias and other works which may be consulted at any time. Then, too, there is a cabinet containing some hundreds of photographic copies of rare manuscripts, comprising as a whole a complete history of the Art of Writing from the time when stone tablets were in use.

to the present day.

The card catalogue system which is housed in the latest type steel filing cabinet, is modern in every respect. Under this system every book in the library is catalogued alphabetically under the author, title and subject matter, making it easy for anyone to locate a book about which he

may have only a minimum of knowledge.

To date the library has been in operation only a few weeks but already donations have been made and more are in the offing. From the library of H. A. Dickey, some five hundred splendid books have been donated through Mrs. Wallace, mother of John Dickey, a graduate of St. Mary's in 1936. Through the kindness of Gerald Sullivan of the Commerce Department a set of books on Public Speaking has been presented to the library. Other gifts include some miscellaneous volumes and a complete four year's supply of the back numbers of the National Geographic Magazine.

The graduate society and the members of the Alumni have already expressed their satisfaction at the completion of the library and have decided to donate some books. In the few weeks it has been open, the library has gradually become an indispensable part of the College and students are to be found there at any hour of the day. Judging by the enthusiasm of the students in availing themselves of the added facilities thus provided, it will not be long before the library really becomes, to use a well worn phrase, the "heart of the College".

JAMES J. HAMMOND.

## **ATHLETICS**

HE year 1937-38 proved once again that St. Mary's College, while small, is still mighty in the field of sport. The rugby season was the most successful in years. The teams of the College and High School garnered five titles, the College team winning the City Intercollegiate and Intermediate titles, the Senior High taking the City and Provincial Championships and the Intermediate High, the City Championship. This we think, on looking back, is a record for any one season. A great deal of credit is due to Coaches Tom Sullivan and Jack Lynch. Much of the old S. M. C. spirit returned during the months of rugby and it was fittingly climaxed by a brilliant homecoming welcome tendered to the Senior High team on its return from Sydney with a Provincial Championship nicely

The outstanding individual performer on the College team was without a doubt Capt. Doug Spruin. Doug is certainly slated for one of the

City teams next year.

Under the direction of Physical Trainer Jim Lovett, rugby was also very popular among the younger lads and in the intra-mural league formed for them about ninety players participated. The various teams were coach-

ed and handled by members of the College team.

While rugby was still in its dying stages a great change was taking place in one of the College's really venerable buildings-You've guessed it—the "Rorum". The repairs made were certainly needed and once again the ice surface became usable without the danger of running afoul of loose boards, etc. Speaking of that ice surface reminds us at this time to compliment Rev. Bros. Lynam and Flannery who provided, this year, what has been the best sheet of ice in the "Rorum" in many a day. Proof? It lasted well into May.

All of which brings us to Hockey. The College team, as usual, won the City Intercollegiate League but due to financial difficulties was unable to travel to St. F. X. and consequently was forced to forfeit. The attendance at the Intercollegiate games left much to be desired. Saturday afternoon is a bad time for hockey. The College team was once again coached by Gerald Hayes who made quite a name for himself this year with his Junior Canadians. It may be remarked that St. Mary's was well represented in the latter team, Vinnie Vaughan, George West, Jerry Mulcahev. Larry O'Connell and Ed Coolen, holding regular berths on the squad.

The Senior High team ran into difficulties from the start due to some new ruling made by the league as to eligible players. Great credit is due

the gallant few who carried on and fought their best for S. M. C.

The Intermediate High climaxed a very successful season by winning the City title and the beautiful Russell Medals. Like the College team however they were forced to forfeit in the playoffs.

Both teams were coached by Jim Lovett and a fine job he made of it. The regular interclass and league games were held in the "Rorum" of course and while not productive of the best hockey, certainly provided a world of thrills.

The boarders' league which always has been something of a knock-down, drag-out affair was up to form this year, especially in the game in which the Cape Bretoners played the Newfoundlanders.

There was still plenty of ice in the rink when handball was well under way. The quality of handball is certainly improving particularly in the High School and very soon you old timers will have to look to your laurels.

It is really a pity that St. Mary's cannot compete in City baseball. There is some fine material in the School at the present time and it is a

shame that it must go baseball-less.

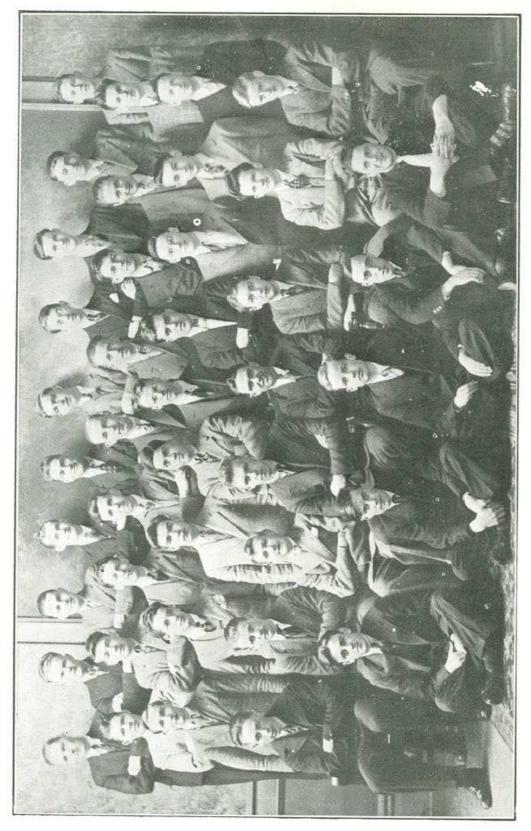
And now for some random jottings—The ever popular Doug Spruin was elected first President of the newly formed St. Thomas Aquinas Students' Club—Grade Ten A students earned the right to a half holiday and theatre party by selling the greatest number of tickets for the A. A. Tombola—Dud Chisholm, for years one of St. Mary's outstanding athletes left during the year to join the staff of Hillcrest Motors Ltd.—Forty-five athletes received their M's this year-Cy Bowser who tended goals for S. M. C. in the Intercollegiate League was the choice of the majority of hockey fans for All-Star Goalie for Halifax this past season—"Butch" Keating proved himself a capable entertainer as well as a powerful scrum man during the Rugby season—The members of the Senior High Rugby team wish once again to thank publicly those people in Sydney who showed them such wonderful hospitality—St. Mary's had no entry in the Grade Nine Hockey League this year; the boys preferred their leagues in the "Rorum"—St. Mary's loses a wealth of sport material this year through graduation. Some of those leaving us are: Ted Flynn, Maurice O'Neill, the Spruin brothers, Gordie Cowan, Al Foley, Harold Dyer, Joe Foohey and many others—Marty Ney coached the St. Thomas Altar Boys' basketball team—The Athletic Association's Constitution is a year old and is still in existence.

Thus do we pass over a glorious year, leaving behind it a standard of excellence for future teams and coaches to strive for. A sad farewell to all those athletes who are leaving us and a hearty welcome to those who come to bolster the ranks.

#### Donations for the Altar

The altar in the college chapel has always had a beautiful appearance especially on the feast days that occur at intervals. This has been made possible through the generosity of the following kindly benefactors who have donated flowers regularly during the year: Dr. and Mrs. F. S. Finlay, Mrs. Whelpley, Mrs. Renner, Mrs. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Delaney, Miss Cahill, Mrs. Sullivan, Gerald Sullivan, Mr. Beazley, E. Earl, E. Morris and L. Wilson.

To the Sisters of the Monastery of the Good Shepherd, Mount St. Vincent, St. Joseph's Orphanage, and the Convent of the Sacred Heart goes the credit for maintaining the immaculate appearance of the altar linen. The College wishes to express its sincere appreciation for the kindness and interest of these friends.



MATRICULATION

(Left to Right) Back Row:—P. F. Mahoney, C. W. McGinn, C. E. Hoganson, S. H. McNeil, J. R. Aucoin, T. J. Martin, N. N. Hansen, J. A. Grandy, T. M. Foley, E. R. Earl, J. A. Ward, Third Row:—A. M. Fletcher, H. C. Comeau, M. R. Lownds, P. J. Laba, P. B. Burke, J. P. McCarthy, F. J. Gunn, R. J. C. Quinn, K. K. Opie, Fourth Row:—J. H. Miller, D. A. Romans, R. D. Mallam, W. J. Datke, J. P. McNeil, E. J. Sadlier, G. P. Janigian, B. J. Bochoff, J. R. Noonan, Front Row:—W. J. Flemming, E. J. Murphy,



## MATRICULATION

PREPARING notes for the Collegian reminds us very forcibly that the year we looked forward to for so long is now drawing to a close. Right now in the midst of Easter Exams we are having a foretaste of that trying ordeal through which we must pass before we become High School graduates.

It is natural at this time to become somewhat reminiscent over class events and so while in this mood we review for the readers of the Collegian

the main events of this year's Matric.

Most worthy of mention were the very successful debates held in our class this year. Moreover, most of the boys also acted in the capacity of judges or chairmen, thus gaining for themselves a very useful experience.

A very enjoyable function in the form of a banquet and entertainment

was held by the class shortly after Christmas.

Matric, again, this year, has in its midst some of the most outstanding sportsmen of S.M.C. In the Senior High School Hockey Team, Matric's representatives were "Johnnie" Ward, "Hec." McNeil, and "Mickey" Flemming. In the Intermediate High School Hockey Team which brought glory to St. Mary's by winning the city championship. Matric. was

represented by G. Edgar, B. Bochoff, and C. Coolen.

And what pleasant memories we have of the football season! What stars Matric. had in both the Senior and Intermediate Teams! In the Senior Division, their repressible Janigian, "Red" McGinn, "Hee." McNeil, and Paul Mahoney. These stalwart lads are to be congratulated on their splendid work in a team which won both the City and Provincial Championships. In the Intermediate Team which won the City Championship, the following Matriculants were outstanding players: Harris Miller, R. Lownds, Tom Martin, and Clarence Coolen. Harris Miller played a bit too hard in the play-offs for Provincial honours, at Truro, and as a result suffered some serious injuries which kept him out of school for several weeks. Needless to state that, intermingled with feelings of sympathy for Harris, there were also many expressions of envy.

So much for memories Our plans for the future, that is, until the 14th. of June, include a debate with the Freshmen immediately after Easter, a hand ball tournament, and of course the big event of the year —the annual picnic at Hubbards. At that time when winter chills are no longer with us and the urge to wend our way countrywards is strong within us, we shall once again review Matriculation Memories—and may they not be mournful.

Au Revoir.

TERRENCE FOLEY

## GRADE 10 "A"

Hello, friends! This is your class reporter bringing you your annual glimpse of Ten "A". We have given you a general description of the class in the issues of the Journal and now we will get down to the business of the class activities.

The boys of Ten "A" are glad to have Ralph Currie and Bernard Dyer in their midst again. Ralph had a period at hospital for some weeks suffering from the effects of an appendix operation. Bernie had a long spell at home, nursing his knee which he hurt while taking part in one of those keenly contested hockey games in which the grade ten boys took an active part.

Immediately after the Christmas holidays our class held its second elections for the purpose of choosing its representatives for the annual Elocution contest which will be held sometime next term. Grade ten "A" expects to make a good showing. The competitors from our class are: Michael Carroll, Robert Miller, and Joseph Evans. Under the careful and efficient guidance of Rev. Bro. Regan the boys each afternoon are rounding their pieces into shape. This year the contest is expected to be the best for some time past.

Our class is proud of the fact that each member did his share in the disposal of the tickets for the Tombola in aid of the Athletic Association. As a result of a combined effort the Ten "A" boys were announced the winners of coveted prizes for the disposal of the most tickets. We express our sincere thanks to the Athletic Association for the very enjoyable evening it gave to us as a reward for our efforts.

On April 4, the Grade Ten "A" under the supervision of Mr. Lynch held the final debate of the season. The subject of this debate was, Resolved: "That the After Effects of the Great War were the Cause of more evil than the War itself." The affirmative was upheld by Peter Dunsworth and Bernie Dyer who defeated by the close margin of two points, Bill Burke and Raymond Creery, defenders of the negative side.

In the inter-class league under the capable management of Rev. Bro. Flannery Grade Ten "A" took a keen interest. The inter-class league aroused great competition among the various grades and proved the most successful league for a number of years. Every afternoon the "Rorum" was crowded by the youthful spectators who did all in their power to cheer their class to victory. The Ten "A" Juniors led by Dick Murphy and Herbert Ernst did exceptionally well and at the end of the fourth round had a lead of two points over that of the grade Ten "B". The weather conditions coupled with the pressure of the Easter Exams prevented the final game between the two grades of ten. By the mutual consent of Grades Ten "B" and Nine the championship was awarded to Grade Ten "A".

Congratulations are due not only to the winners but also to the other teams for the high standard of hockey and sportsmanship. The following are on the winning team: Dick Murphy, Herbert Ernst, Edward Granville, Peter Dunsworth, Raymond Creery, Robert Miller, Emmett Campe, Donald Haliburton, and James Hayes.

The entire class avails itself of the present opportunity to thank Rev. Brother Flannery for the tireless care he took of the "Rorum" and the efficient manner in which he ran the various leagues during the season. As a result of his generous services, we had many hours of fun and keenly

contested hockey games.

In turning from the sport line to the more important item the Exams. let us give ourselves a boost. The Christmas Exams, were a great success and many high marks were obtained. Edward Granville, Dick Murphy, and Peter Dunsworth respectively captured first, second and third places. Robert Miller gained the prize for Christian Doctrine. Most remarkable of all is the fact that the majority of the class passed in all the subjects. Let us hope we shall make as good a showing in the final examinations.

BERNARD F. DYER

## GRADE TEN "B" NOTES

In spite of all difficulties, Grade Ten B had a very eventful year. We were a little slow starting, but eventually made rapid strides towards the objectives we determined to reach. In September, we elected a very competent class executive, with Jack Wallace, President; Gerald "Brud" Mc-Kenna, Vice-President; Philip Vaughan as Secretary, and last but not least, Sam Ross Class Treasurer.

We went to the "Green Lantern" and began a very eventful evening with several games of Bingo. Incidentally, we are very grateful to Rev. Brother Keough for lending us his Bingo cards. After the Bingo prizes were exhausted, we had an excellent dinner. Then Grade Ten "B" brought

a memorable evening to a close by attending the "Capitol."

The other classes were satisfied with one banquet, but not Grade Ten "B"! On February 28, we topped our pre-lenten social activities with a pleasant evening at the K. of C. hall. We are greatly indebted to Rev. Brother Lannon for donating some Bingo prizes for this entertainment. Cards, Bingo, billiards, several rounds of refreshments, and a sing-song made a very enjoyable evening.

Nor did these events bring our year to a close. Later Rev. Brother Flannery kindly gave the use of the "Rorum" several times, for which privilege we are very grateful. Grade Ten "B" is now busily planning for an outing in June, and you can take our word for it, it will be enjoyable.

Well, sufficient has been said about the social activities of our class. Now let us turn to the scholastic side. Brother Lannon donated several prizes for the Christmas exams. These were won by:

First...Philip Vaughan....a woolen sweater.
Second. Tom Sullivan....a stamp album.
Third...Albert White.....a loose-leaf notebook.

Religion . Philip Vaughan . . . . a bronze crucifix.

Besides our scholars, Grade Ten "B" had many other notable personages among the members: Fred Sturmy of Bedford played first violin in the College orchestra; Jack Wallace, Peter McColough, and Hugh MacDonald were among the Ten "B" representatives on the Intermediate rugby and hockey teams; "Des" Shute was a member of the Senior rugby team; and we must not forget "Brud" McKenna the worthy mascot of the High School rugby team.

We wish to extend our appreciation to Rev. Brothers Lannon, Regan, Flannery, Keough, and Mr. Lynch for the many ways in which they have benefitted us.

PHILIP VAUGHAN, Secretary.

#### GRADE NINE NOTES

As the school year is about to terminate, I feel constrained to comment briefly on the outstanding items of interest that occurred in Grade Nine during the past nine months or so.

During the past two terms we were kept on the "qui vive" by periodic quizzes as we have learned to name them. These proved very helpful as fore-runners of the Christmas Examinations. Our congratulations are due to John Fitzgerald who led his class in these Examinations.

Shortly after Christmas a delightful banquet was provided for the class through the good will and self-sacrificing co-operation of each student. A "gala day" in the form of an outing to take place sometime in June has been discussed and partly agreed upon.

During the football and hockey seasons Grade Nine has had unlimited opportunity for physical prowess. The class made a very good showing in both football and hockey. Even the more timid among us plucked up courage and admirably aided in the defence of the different teams into which the class was divided.

With the approach of Spring came Easter and the Easter examinations. Several students have shown remarkable progress in their studies since the Christmas Examinations. The class-leader this time was Michael Edgar. Our hearty congratulations go also to Michael. May this be only one of his great successes during his school life!

Towards the close of this final term the exams for promotion will, it seems, be closely contested. Then after the hard work of the year a well-earned vacation will, I hope be enjoyed by all of us.

The class extends deep sympathy to Michael Edgar, his mother and other relatives on their recent bereavement.

In conclusion I wish to thank the class-president, the class-executive and the mission crusade representatives for the efficient manner in which they have performed their allotted duties, also all the Brothers and more particularly Rev. Brother Kealey for their untiring efforts at all times in our regard.

JOSEPH FULTZ.

## HIGH SCHOOL MISSION CRUSADE UNIT

Last September the Executive for the ensuing year was elected as follows:

Spiritual Director	 REV. BR. KEOGH.
President	 JOSEPH GRANDY.
Vice-President	 EDMUND MORRIS.
Secretary	 RUSSELL LOWNDS.
Treasurer	 TERENCE FOLEY.

This small unit has had a very uneventful year but nevertheless in its quiet little way has accomplished a great deal. Up to the present about \$45.00 has been collected and it is hoped that this amount will be \$70.00 at the close of the school year. Besides this it has done its share in supporting the Crusade Candy Stall. From time to time religious magazines and papers have been sent to the Sisters of Service, Alberta. Incidentally the High School Unit did its part in supporting the Raffle held at Christmas in aid of the Mission Crusade Unit.

Last year the sum of ten dollars was sent to each of the following: Sisters of Service, Alberta; Bishop Turquetil, Fort Churchill; Bishop Sullivan, Bankipore, India; a bishop in Africa. Certain local charities also benefitted by a little "mite" from our unit. We hope that this does not sound too much like blowing our horn. We merely wish to record faithfully the minutes of our society for this school year.

Many excellent talks were given by various students in the High School Department: Edmund Morris gave a very vivid and interesting talk on the life of "Cyril Sen"; Hector McNeil spoke on the "Attitude of the Chinese Towards Catholics". John Fitzgerald spoke on "Ordination Day in Uganda"; Michael Carroll spoke on "The Missionary of the Vatican"; and Cyril Hoganson on "Why Help the Missionaries"?

One more meeting and the High School Unit will wind up its year's activities. The officers for next year's Executive will be chosen next September.

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## **OBITUARY**

## St. Mary's Students Mourn Loss of Alumnus, Coach, Senator

On Wednesday, May 18th, there was laid to rest the last mortal remains of one of the greatest and most consistent benefactors and friends of St. Mary's College. Alumnus, coach and senator, brilliant student and perfect gentleman, Gerald A. Hayes has graduated from his sphere of college activities into the Life of Eternity to receive there his just rewards.



Mr. Hayes first became associated with St. Mary's College in 1916 on his entrance into the collegiate department. From that time, till his graduation in 1923, Gerald Hayes proved himself a brilliant student, a tactful executive, a perfect gentleman and a stellar athlete. With his departure, St. Mary's lost a true son, but the break was only nominal, for ever since, "Jerry" has shown that St. Mary's was more than a mere college to him—in every sense of the word St. Mary's was his Alma Mater.

As founder of the St. Mary's Tatler in 1922, Gerald became the premier editor of the first College publication. Since that time he has served during many years on the staff of the Collegian as Alumni Editor. He has been Secretary and President of the Alumni, and in 1935 he was appointed to the Senate of the College, becoming the youngest member of that body—a great tribute to his ability.

With the students, as well as with the faculty and graduates he was a general favorite. Every College student knew Gerald Hayes as a personal friend and confidant. To the student his place will never be filled. As coach of the Intercollegiate hockey and rugby teams he was the last word. His goal was not a mere title or silver cup—it was something much greater and nobler. He developed sportsmanship, clean play and the higher principles of sport. However, his methods also brought championship results, as the numerous trophies which adorn St. Mary's bear witness—his coaching systems will never again be equalled.

Kind and considerate, an inveterate reader whose mind was a fund of information, he was a type of man, unselfish and every ready to serve, that is not easily found in the world today. St. Mary's knows her loss and in realizing her debt to this gentlemanly son of hers she feels that she can never repay.

Requiescat in Pace.

## Very Reverend Brother P. J. Hennessey LL. D.

ON January 8, 1938, there died in Dublin at the ripe age of 82, Very Reverend Brother P. J. Hennessey, a former Superior-General of the Irish Christian Brothers. The late Brother was an educationist of outstanding merit and was well known throughout the English-speaking world. During his period of office, institutions of various types were established in widely separated countries. Of particular interest to all acquainted with St. Mary's College is the fact that it was through him that Archbishop McCarthy of beloved memory made arrangements for the coming of the Brothers in 1913. The steady progress of the institution in the intervening years is a tribute to the zeal and foresight of these two zealous co-workers in the cause of Catholic culture.

In Ireland, the land of his birth, the late Brother Hennessey was honored by the National University with the degree of Doctor of Laws. Glowing tributes to his memory have appeared in the Catholic press throughout the world. He was a gentleman of many and diversified gifts, an administrator of exceptional ability and a trusted intimate of leaders in Church and State. His greatest title, however, to perpetual remembrance is that he ever remained true to the injunction of his Divine Master to be meek and humble of heart. Requiescat in Pace.

On January 12th, the whole student body went to St. Mary's Cathedral to attend the solemn Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of Very Reverend Brother P. J. Hennessey. Rev. Father Gerald Murphy, B.A., a graduate of St. Mary's, officiated. Present in sanctuary were: Rev. Father Anthony Laba, B.A., Rev. Father Lawrence O'Neill, B.A. and Rev. Father Cormier, C.J.M., College Chaplain. A group of College students under the direction of Dr. M. De Merten, Professor of French, formed the choir.

## Mr. George Mullane

In the person of the late Mr. George Mullane, St. Mary's has lost one of her oldest and most distinguished alumni. As long as his state of health permitted, the deceased gentleman attended the meetings of the ex-students and took a very keen interest in College activities. He was well versed in the lore of Nova Scotia and frequently wrote articles for the local press brimful of interesting information in respect especially to its early history. From him, too, emanated many stories of the struggles incidental to the beginnings of St. Mary's College. The editors tender to the relatives of the deceased, condolences on the loss of one so endeared to them by reason of his many lovable qualities. We ask the readers of The Collegian to join with us in prayer for the happy repose of his soul.

## Sympathy

To the Sisters of Mount St. Vincent, we extend deep sympathy on the death under such sad circumstances in January last, of Reverend Mother Berchmans, their former Superior-General. Though preoccupied with many weighty concerns, she was ever ready to give counsel, encouragement, and the benefit of her wide experience to those who sought her aid. We of St. Mary's College have had in her a friend whose gentleness, wisdom and Christ-like charity were unfailing and unstinted throughout the years. May she speedily reach a place of refreshment, light and peace.

## **CHRONICLES**

## Distinguished Visitor

Late in April, the College was honoured by a visit from Rev. Br. P. J. Culhane, Provincial of the American Province of the Irish Christian Brothers. Twenty-five years ago, Brother Culhane came here from St. Bonaventure's College, St. John's to assume the responsibility of directing the College. He was pleased to note the continued development of the institution and was most laudatory of the splendid spirit of work evident both in the High School and College classes. Before his departure he delivered an inspiring address to the student-body on vocation in general with particular reference to the priesthood and the religious state.

## St. Patrick's Day

On the 17th of March, the Feast of St. Patrick was fittingly observed at St. Mary's. Not even the wet weather could dampen the ardor of the Irish enthusiasts on this occasion. Classes were suspended for the day, and the members of the C.O.T.C. spent the afternoon going through various drill manoeuvres. Shamrocks were prominently displayed and in the college chapel a special tribute was paid to the patron saint of Ireland—the homeland of many saints and scholars.

#### March 25th.

The Feast of the Annunciation, March 25th, was of special significance to St. Mary's. A High Mass was offered in the chapel by Rev. Father Cormier, C.J.M., in honour of the Blessed Virgin, the Patroness of the College. The Boarders' Choir sang during the Mass. St. Mary's has always cherished a special devotion to its Patroness and under her guidance and care has received many blessings. An added tribute was the beautiful appearance of the altar with its many lights and flowers tastefully arranged.

## New Chaplain

This year St. Mary's lost a friend of several years standing in the person of Rev. Father Skinner who has gone to Quebec to pursue higher studies. Father Skinner, a member of the Eudist Order, is an ex-student of St. Bonaventure's College, Newfoundland; he has been chaplain at St. Mary's for eight years. His departure is keenly regretted by students and faculty alike.

Rev. Father Cormier, who has succeeded Father Skinner as chaplain, has already made many friends at the College. Father Cormier is also a member of the Eudist Order and has just returned from Rome. He is at present attached to the teaching staff of the Holy Heart Seminary.

## High School Changes

In the High School Department, several new faces made their appearance at the beginning of the school year and some familiar ones were missing. Rev. Brothers Lyons and King have been transferred to other fields and

are keenly missed. In their places have come three new Brothers, an additional one being added to the number already stationed at St. Mary's. These newcomers are Rev. Brothers Kealey, Flannery and Regan. The first two mentioned hail from Ireland and Brother Regan from the United States. Already these Brothers have won a place for themselves in the hearts of the boys.

## College Feast Day

December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, was as usual a holiday for St. Mary's. A High Mass was celebrated in the chapel and the students re-dedicated themselves to the maternal protection of their holy Patroness. Under such care and guidance, the College can well look forward to many happy and successful years.

## Forty Hours

This year the annual Forty Hours' Devotion began on the first Sunday of March. The altar was magnificently decorated during the whole time. Rev. Brother Regan, the sacristan, arranged a schedule so that at no time during the exposition was there a lack of adorers. Arrangements were also made so that each class was able to make periodic visits to the chapel.

## Annual Retreat

The annual three day Retreat was held at the opening of the school year in September. Once again Rev. Father McDougall, C.S.S.R. was Retreat Master. Father McDougall is no stranger at St. Mary's having conducted at least two Retreats here before. As was expected from past experience, the conferences were very interesting and splendidly given. Due to the increased registration, the various departments of the College were forced to alternate at the various exercises of the Retreat.

#### Congratulations

The editors offer congratulations to Rt. Rev. Monsignor McManus, Rector of the Cathedral, and Rev. Fr. Cole, P. P. St. Agnes, on the recent dignities conferred on them. The former is now Prothonotary Apostolic and the latter Dean of the Archdiocese. Ad multos annos.

## DRAMATICS

## ANNUAL ENTERTAINMENT

The Dramatic and Glee Clubs brought fame to St. Mary's in their combined efforts at this year's annual entertainment held at the Playhouse on April 21st and 22nd. The main part of the programme was devoted to that ever popular Broadway production, "It Pays to Advertise." Although many parts in this famous play really demand the interpretation of professional actors, it was the unanimous opinion of those who witnessed the performance that the various parts were acted with professional-like skill.

Michael Fitzpatrick, that extremely modest and unassuming young freshman, was, without question, the star of the show. He had a very difficult part to portray—that of a "fake" French countess, nevertheless, Michael gave evidence of his ability in portraying the part with ease and grace. Many were the exclamations of sincere praise directed towards this talented young actor.

Bernard Tolson, in his portrayal of Ambrose Peale, was, as usual, one of the outstanding actors of the cast. Bernard evoked more laughter and applause, perhaps, than any other actor. He possesses that rare gift of genius, which is so necessary, especially in a long three-act play, to keep the audience always on the alert for something funny to happen. He was here, there, and everywhere, always on the cue with the correct word, expression, and interpretation of the proper mood of the moment.

John MacDonald, as Rodney Martin, entered right into the spirit of his part and delighted all by his intelligent acting and well enunciated speech. Thomas Connolly again this year took one of the leading female parts, that of Mary Grayson. As always, Tom delighted all by his clever acting. His interpretation of the mannerisms and moods of a charming secretary was well done and won for him rounds of applause.

The irate father, Cyrus Martin, was excellently characterised by Norman Ibsen. Other minor parts, but very necessary for the success, of the play were admirably portrayed by Donald Campbell, Francis Reardon, John Murphy, Robert Faulkner, Robie Cartile and James Fennessy.

Congratulations and thanks are due to Mr. John Lynch, B.A., for his untiring efforts in the very successful coaching of the east.

In the intervals between the acts, the college Glee Club, under the direction of Rev.Brother Keogh, gave harmoniously blended renditions of such well-known songs as "The Bells of St. Mary's," "Schubert's Serenade" and "Stout Hearted Men." The college quartette, composed of John Murphy, first tenor, Martin Ney, second tenor, Dermot O'Keefe, baritone, and Robert Faulkner, bass, was enthusiastically encored for the singing of the ever popular Sylvia.

The college wishes to take this opportunity of expressing gratitude to those young members of the Cast, the Glee Club and the Orchestra for their splendid co-operation and sense of college spirit.

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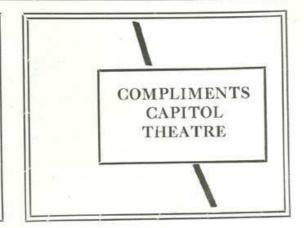
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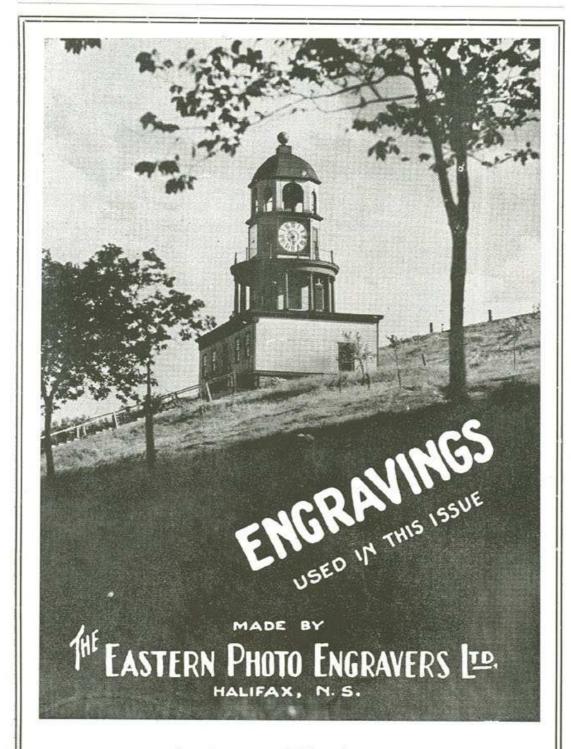
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