

Our Graduates

ALPHONSUS LIGOURI SINNOTT.

"Your manners shall so true your soul express
That all shall long to know the worth they guess."

When in the autumn of 1912, Alphonse left Morell, the home of his childhood, and came to St. Dunstan's in search of knowledge, the students of this institution gave him a cordial welcome for they immediately recognized in him one who would not hesitate to do his best to add glory to the name of "Old St. Dunstan's". Nor were they disappointed. Alphonse has ever been a true son of his Alma Mater and has on several occasions made us feel proud that he was a student of this institution.

In the class-room Mr. Sinnott has always been among the leaders but it is especially in the study of St. Thomas that he was found in his proper sphere. His admiration and respect for the "Angelic Doctor" has become so great that his book shelves are now adorned with a very valuable collection of philosophic texts. To these he has given the honor of the most worthy position obtainable, that is next in rank to his cherished and resourceful dictionary. It is not surprising therefore that he should from these fruitful sources derive sufficient knowledge to become a debater admired for his fluency and lucidity, and this he has surely become.

It is however in the field of athletics that Alphonse has done most to win the admiration of his fellow students. For five years he has been a member of our Senior football team and for the past three years has won the much coveted title of "Best All Around Athlete" in Field Day achievements. While not taking a prominent part in the other branches of

athletics he has, nevertheless, as President of S. D. U. A. A. A. encouraged them as much as possible. The fact that Mr. Sinnott has ever been held in high regard by the students is attested by the fact that he holds prominent offices in almost all the college societies. To add to this his classmates bestowed upon him another honor by making him President of this year's graduating class.

Though in the capacity of Business Manager of "Red and White," Alphonse has clearly shown that he would make a shrewd man of the world, nevertheless, we are inclined to believe that his aspirations aim higher and that he will next year enter the Seminary. Whether or not this is his intention he will go forth from this institution with the best wishes of the students of S. D. U. C. N. H.—'20.

REGINALD FABER McDONALD

Good nature and good sense must ever join;
To err is human, to forgive divine.

—Pope

In the fall of 1914, Reginald entered St. Dunstan's. Previous to this, his life and deeds were obscured from our eye; yet we may rightly judge that during his youth and throughout his school-days at West St. Peter's, all his acts were performed in view of promoting that sterling character for which he has been distinguished during his career at old St Dunstan's.

Like many other favorites, Reginald must receive a name which would signify the hold which his popularity had upon us, and so it happened that after a few appearances on the football field he soon earned for himself the name of "Reckless," compatible no doubt with his daring manoeuvres on the field; yet when otherwise engaged it would not be fair to say he was

reckless, but on the contrary, he was quite prudent, and in fact his own words, spoken in that renowned play, *Officer 666*, may be well applied to him: "they can't hoodwink me." Nevertheless, the name Reckless, since it was associated with him in his early college days was to remain with him throughout his course, and in years to come it will be a medium through which his comrades may have access to the many pleasant associations which the word Reckless once held for them.

To delve with fulness into the varied achievements which have been so notably accomplished by Reginald would require much more space than is allotted the writer, but we must give credit where credit is due, and thus it behooves us to speak of him as a shining star in all intellectual, social and athletic functions. His perusal of books gave him a firm backing when it came to oratorical skill, and in Parliament it was Reggie who instilled into his colleagues how to manipulate affairs in a manner becoming the "highly educated." As a member of the Red and White staff he has worked heroically to maintain the standard of excellence to which our magazine has arrived.

Reggie's days at St. Dunstan's have now terminated but while in our midst we knew him for what he was, a student-friend of sterling character and immovable loyalty, who dwelt within a steady kind of light which knew no dawn or sunset. As to his future career it is understood, that at least in intention he already stands among the Levites, thus will the Lord alone be the portion of his inheritance and his cup. If such be his happy calling, we wish him that health and perseverance which will crown his realization.

J. B. W. '19

WILLIAM HENRY JOSEPH McGUILL

According to the most authentic records, William Henry Joseph McGill was born at Fall River, on Oct. 24, 1896. His primary education was obtained in St. Patrick's School, and after completing the course in that institution, he entered Mt. Eymard College N. Y. where he commenced the study of the classics. A year spent there was not sufficient to satisfy the craving for knowledge, which the early training had instilled into his youthful mind, and in the fall of 1914, he enrolled as a student of St. Dunstan's University.

During his study in St. Dunstan's University, he has, by his strict application to duty proved himself a man of worth, and has always ranked among the first in his class. A deep thinker he has made a successful study of the principles of St. Thomas. In the study of economics, he has excelled. His classmates, therefore, quick to realize his ability in this direction, selected him in 1917-18 to finance the S. D. U. A. A. A., and this year conferred on him, the important position of Business Manager of the Dramatic Society, the duties of which he discharged credit. As debater and politician, he acquired with marked fame, and the logic and clearness of his arguments on questions of public import are worthy of mention. His inventive genius has long since been immortalised in the songs of the "Muses," so we pass it over in silence.

The other walks of College life have not been neglected and he has always taken a prominent part in the social life of the College. As first base-man on the "Senior Nine" and half-back of the second football team, he proved himself an athlete of high standing. Though he has

never taken a very active part in hockey, he can discuss with wonderful clearness the fine points of the game, and has a firm grasp of the rules pertaining to this kind of sport. During the past two years, he has been a valued member of St. Dunstan's Orchestra, and his aptness on the violin has contributed largely to the success of this band of musicians.

His gentle and kindly disposition has made him a favorite with all, and we are loath to see him depart. He has, during his stay here, made good use of his opportunities, and now he goes back to the land of his birth, well equipped for the battle of life. What his plans for the future are we do not know. On this point he himself is silent, and the "Oracles" are dumb. The records of his work in St. Dunstan's point to a bright career. That success and happiness may be his in the years that are to come, is the fervent prayer with which we speak him "au revoir."

MICHAEL MCQUAID.

This member of the graduating class was born, in the parish of Lot 65, at Riverdale—an ordinary country district with no striking characteristic beyond the uprightness of its inhabitants. In this quite rural place, Michael received his early training from his pious, exemplary parents and at the district school. When comparatively young he matriculated to Prince of Wales College where he remained one year and secured a teacher's license. He taught school several years, but like many others of P. E. Island's best teachers was obliged to abandon the profession, for something more productive of means wherewith he might further his education for some higher station in life. Telegraphy seemed to furnish the want, and going to



Toronto, he there attended the Dominion School of Railroad, and very soon obtained his certificate, as railway agent and operator. For several years he was employed by the Canadian Pacific Railroad in various parts of Western Canada. His ability in this business opened to him great prospects of advancement and worldly wealth but his early piety and solid talents kept vividly before his mind the responsibility of pursuing a course compatible with his heart-felt tendencies and, at least, of placing himself in an atmosphere suitable to the encouragement of these inclinations. So in 1915 he bade farewell to the golden West, came to his native province, and entered St. Dunstan's as a third-year student.

Here he is best known—a college chap of good intellect, frank and sincere, with a pleasing temperment, never hilariously jolly and never down-hearted, at any rate a dejected appearance is never visible to even the keenest observer, in a word, he is an optimist, breasting "the blows of circumstance" and striving to reach a determined goal. As a student he won the friendship of all, and as a member of the teaching staff, which position he held for the last year, he has discharged his duties in an excellent manner.

In all work pertaining to the welfare of the college, he has always rendered most willing and valuable assistance. For various reasons he has not taken an active part in athletics, but this did not in the least deter him from taking a lively interest in all sport. In debates and Mock Parliament he stood second to none. "Red and White" has also for the last year felt his influence on the editorial staff of that magazine.

That Michael will take up the study of theology is almost a certainty, and rarely has a student pre-

pared himself so well for that holy work. May God assist and bless him in his future undertaking and crown his efforts with glory.

P. W. '20.

A. AUSTIN O'BRIEN

One of the most popular students of this year's graduating class is A. Austin O'Brien. Mr. O'Brien was born in Alma, P. E. I. a prosperous little community not far from the beautiful Kildare River. He received his early education in the "little country school house," and later he entered Alberton High School from which he was graduated with honors. Then followed a brilliant course in Prince of Wales College where he was successful in securing a First Class Teacher's License. Mindful, no doubt, of the apothegm "Doce ut discas" and being desirous of giving others the benefit of his store of knowledge he next turned his thoughts to the instruction of the young, and taught school with splendid success for several years before entering St. Dunstan's University to continue his studies.

Successful, as he was, before this, it was not until within the walls of "Old S. D. U." that his true genius began to assert itself. His year in Rhetoric was a most successful one and as a fitting climax to his good work he won the much coveted prize awarded by the Alumni Society, for the best "Alumni Prize Essay"; and to cap the climax when the "B. L." pass list was published, his name was among the very first.

The University faculty was not slow in recognizing in Mr. O'Brien a man of exceptional ability and consequently in the fall of 1917 he was placed on the teaching staff of St. Dunstan's University and was thenceforth classed a "Gentleman Professor."

As editor-in-chief of "Red and White" for two successive years he performed his duties in a manner which was all that could be desired, his facile pen being of great assistance to him in this important position. During the past year as President of St. Thomas' Literary and Debating Society he proved himself to be a man of sound judgment and a logical and forceful debater. Nor must we forget the part he played in "theatrical circles" for on the stage, as elsewhere, he was most successful, taking the part of the "Crook" in "Officer 666" admirably.

As an evidence of his popularity among the students we need but mention the fact that his classmates invariably appointed him to positions of honor and trust in college societies, finally bestowing upon him the greatest honor at their disposal by appointing him Valedictorian of the '19 Graduating Class.

We do not know into what walk of life Mr. O'Brien will now turn his footsteps, but of this we feel sure that henceforth he will be as successful as he has been up to the present. No doubt from "Old St. Dunstan's" he will go to some higher seat of learning, and it will come as no surprise to his many friends, if when his student career has been finished, he will be found prepared to devote the remainder of his days in the highest calling of this life.

M. E. F.—'19

MICHAEL E. FRANCIS.

We feel sure that no member of our Graduating Class goes forth better equipped to take up his life work than Michael E. Francis. Before coming to St. Dunstan's he had spent two years at Prince of Wales College, had left that institution with a second

year certificate of high standing and had for several years afterwards adorned the teaching profession of this province with his membership. As principal of Cardigan and Alberton High School and later as vice-principal and principal of Queen Sq. School, Charlottetown, he made a name for himself as one of the foremost teachers of the island. It was doubtless in recognition of his good work that his fellow teachers honored him first with the Secretaryship of the Teachers' Association and later with the Presidency of The Teachers' Union.

The success attending his labour in connection with the public schools followed him into St. Dunstan's where since his coming in 1916 he has distinguished himself as a student of the first rank. After passing successfully his Letters examination in the spring of 1917 he entered on his Philosophy course which by his talents and industry he made most thorough.

In the various college activities outside of class-work Mr. Francis always took a prominent part. He is recognized by all as one of our very ablest debaters and as Leader of The Government in the Mock Parliament of 1918-19 he showed parliamentary ability second to none in the college. He was editor of "Red and White" for the last year and by his literary talents and the experience he gained some years previously as Business Manager of The P. E. I. Teachers Magazine helped very materially to keep up the standard of the College Review. He was also President of the S. D. U. Academia Society for the year just closed and in that capacity will be remembered as the man who infused into that society a much needed vigor. All this was accomplished while he was at the same time guiding the destinies of the largest school in his home-city,—Charlottetown.

In spite of this heavy demand on his time Michael did not forget that "man is a social being" and as organizer of festive gatherings earned the undying gratitude of his friends. His fellow graduates will ever remember him as a most desirable friend and a perfect gentleman and will heartily bestow on him their best wishes for a successful and happy career, as a "harvester in God's vineyard."

A. O. B.—'19.

ANTONIN LEFEBVRE

It was after finishing his Humanities that Antonin Lefebvre came to St. Dunstan's to take up the study of Philosophy; and while he has been with us he has always held an honorable place in his class.

Antonin first saw the light of day in the village of La Baie, Quebec, in the last year of the nineteenth century; and, six years after this memorable event, he commenced his studies at the Parish school of his native town. Here he remained three years, and after bringing great honor to himself and his teachers he entered the Academy of La Baie, where he took up a commercial Course under the careful supervision of the Christian Brothers. When he had completed his third year in this place, he felt a yearning for the Classics, and the fall of 1911 found him at Nicolet College, entering upon his Classical Course. Six peaceful, happy years slipped by before Antonin again went travelling; and wishing to acquire an intimate knowledge of English, he came to St. Dunstan's in the fall of 1917.

Here as elsewhere he succeeded admirably in all his undertakings. He stands among the first in his classes; is one of the foremost on the "diamond;"

and is a leading member of the St. Dunstan's Orchestra, which, this year and the previous one, visited Summerside, Kensington and Charlottetown winning glory and renown for its members, and the University they represent. This is not all; this past season he was a "tower of strength" as Left Wing on the Senior Philosopher's Hockey Team, which though it did not defeat the Juniors, humbled them by proving their equals in every sense of the word. In fact, the Seniors would have gone down to defeat, had it not been for this "Hercules" who from time to time, by his trappy work and ponderous weight, brought the Juniors to their knees and to their senses.

While we are sorry to have him leave us we are sure that he will ably uphold the honor of St. Dunstan's University, in what ever walk of life he may choose, and we do not think we can do better than wish him a continuation of the success which he has achieved in so many forms since he came amongst us.

G. P. M. '20

MICHAEL JOSEPH ROONEY.

The well authenticated facts contained in the parish Register of Iona church give testimony that this eminent member of our graduating class was born "just twenty years ago."

Of his early life we know little more than, that as a school boy he graced with his presence the little brown school-house at Orwell Cove, where he advanced rapidly along the path of knowledge.

He passed the matriculation examinations of Prince Wales College in the summer of 1914, and not being satisfied with "little knowledge learned at school" he entered St. Dunstan's that same fall and

for five years has drunk deeply from the inexhaustible "fountain of faith and science."

During his sojourn amongst us, his genial and pleasing personality, ever in evidence, whether in the classroom, on the campus, or in social relationships of life has won for him the respect and esteem of all who formed an acquaintance with him. While in the classroom "Mickey," as he is favorably known, was ever a faithful follower of the golden maxim:—

"Learning by study must be won;
'Twas ne'er entail'd from son to son."

and this, together with his devouring intellectual activities, has won for him much honor and distinction.

After completing his classical course and passing his B. L. examinations he entered upon the study of philosophy and higher mathematics, in which he holds a record which has been seldom successfully rivalled and rarely, if ever, surpassed.

To his marvellous mental powers he added his no less marvellous athletic gifts. On the football field "Mickey" gained renown as a star quarter-back on that illustrious "Yale" team which crowned itself with the laurels of victory in the fall '17. Although a very efficacious member of the victorious Intermural Red Dots of '18 and Aeronauts of '19, his chief fame as a hockeyist rests upon that memorable philosophers' game played on the last feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, when "at the eleventh hour" he dropped the third score into the "Juniors" nets thus saving the day for the "Seniors." He has also won undying fame for himself on the baseball diamond and on the hand-ball alley,

During the past year he was "sport" editor of "Red and White." In this capacity he has shown

that same thoroughness which characterizes his every enterprise.

Nor must it be forgotten that our friend took part in our celebrated play "Officer 666." Playing the role of Patrolman Ryan he won distinction by his dexterous arrest of Travers Gladwin.

It is generally believed, on account of his spiritual propensities that he will enter the seminary to prepare for labour in Christ's vineyard. That God will give him sufficient grace and strength to persevere in his holy calling is the hope and prayer of his many friends.

L. P. C.—'21.

JUSTIN LEFEBVRE.

Among the many illustrious French students who have come to us from the college of Quebec, few are better known or better liked, than one of the youngest graduates of this year in the person of Justin Lefebvre.

He was born in the year 1899 in that quiet little village of La Baie where the first six years of his life were spent in great happiness. He began his early education at the Parish School. Here he advanced in wisdom, but thinking knowledge could be acquired more extensively elsewhere, he became a student in the fall of 1908 under the guidance of the Christian Brothers. Here he began a Business Course which he completed three years later. At the age of twelve he enrolled at Nicolet College, and here began his Classical Course, during which he won much fame as a student of exceptional talent. After finishing Humanities and very successfully passing the B. L. examinations he decided to move again his centre of study, to leave his native province, and take up the

study of Philosophy in the Garden Province, with a view of becoming more familiar with the English tongue. So, in the fall of 1917 we, for the first time, meet him at St. Dunstan's.

Although he is comparatively a new comer in our midst neither time nor distance will obliterate from our memory the sterling qualities of Justin. Always an ambitious and particularly bright student he has ever won distinction in his class. Nor are his activities confined to the sphere of learning, for he is an athlete of no mean order. He has displayed much ability as a hockeyist, and indeed, was a member of the "Victors" for the past year. He has also starred as pitcher on the baseball field.

He stands foremost as a capable and efficient musician. As an active member of the College Orchestra for the past two years he has frequently betaken himself to the city to take part in musical performances and indeed has been a great, if not the chief, support in bringing glory to his Alma Mater.

We bid him God-speed as he leaves us, confident that he will always uphold the honour of the University in whatever walk of life he may follow.

G. V. M.—'20

JOSEPH BERNARD WARD

Joseph Bernard Ward came to us from St. John, N. B., his native city. He received his early education in the Parochial School of that place, where, no doubt, the foundation of his sterling character was, in a large measure, laid. Later he entered the St. John High School, but he had not been there long when an affection for Prince Edward Island, which in all probability he inherited from his father, who at one time lived in Charlottetown, began to assert itself, and gradually "Joe" found himself being attracted more

and more to that little "Gem of the Sea"—Prince Edward Island. So strong did this attraction finally become that he could no longer resist it, and accordingly in the fall of 1914 he left his home for "old S. D. U."

Joseph's career in St. Dunstan's was a successful one. Throughout his entire course he kept well to the fore in all his classes, and he was especially proficient in Christian Doctrine. He always took a keen interest in anything that pertained to the welfare of his own class or the college in general, and he was never so much in his element as when he was making others happy. Not a few times Joseph, together with other students who are musically inclined, prepared for our especial benefit very pleasant entertainments, which went far to relieve the monotony of the daily grind at our books.

During his stay with us, Mr. Ward made more hearts glad than those of the students in S. D. U., for he was leading member of St. Dunstan's Orchestra, a collection of musicians who on many occasions charmed some of Charlottetown's largest audiences with their sweet music.

As the organist of St. Dunstan's Choir, Joe was practically indispensable, and he was ever faithful to his duties. In college societies he took an active part, on a number of occasions holding important offices in them, and, during the past year, as assistant business manager of "Red and White," he performed his duties faithfully and well.

We cannot say for certain just what course in life "Joe" will follow henceforth, but knowing him as well as we do we cannot but believe that he will not fail to enter the Sacred Ministry and devote his life entirely to the service of God.

M. E. F.—'19