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# ❖ Our Graduates ❖

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## JAMES WILFRED CURLEY.

The subject of this sketch goes forth from old St. Dunstan's with the very best wishes of a host of admiring friends. Always an interested and clever student, he has never failed to be among the leaders of his class. He was born at Brookvale, Queen's County, Prince Edward Island, attended school there, and entered Prince of Wales College at an early age, where he obtained a Teacher's License at the end of his first year. After establishing an enviable reputation for himself as a teacher, both in this province and in Alberta, Wilfred prepared again to enter college in the autumn of '13. This time he came to St. Dunstan's. Here his kindly disposition and ready wit soon endeared him to both faculty and students. Although not a star in athletics, he always evinced a keen interest in everything pertaining to what is best in college life.

His favorite amusements during his college career were quoits, Auction Forty-five, and Controversy. It is held by some that he is an expert accountant, but we cannot vouch for the truth of this statement. We do know, however, that his activities have not been confined to classwork and amusements. During the past year he was President of the St. Thomas Literary and Debating Society and proved himself a forceful and eloquent debater. As one of the Editors-in-chief of "Red and White" he displayed more than ordinary ability as a journalist. For two years he has rendered valuable services as a member of the teaching staff, of the College, and his popularity among his class-mates is evident from the fact that he has been chosen Valdictorian.

It is generally believed that he intends to take up the study of Medicine, but of this we are not certain. We feel quite sure, however, that his chosen profession will be an honorable one, and that he will bring to

at the same untiring energy and sterling qualities, that have characterized him as a student at S. D. C. We sincerely wish him "God-Speed."

### ALFRED JAMES McINTYRE.

On looking over the Archives of the parish of Millcove we find the birth of Alfred James McIntyre to have taken place near the close of the 19th century. Alfred received his early education in the school of his native district, but when yet a mere youth he became imbued with the spirit that "a little learning is a dangerous thing." Accordingly we find him entering "Old Saint Dunstan's" in the autumn of '12 to drink deep of the "Pierian Spring," and how successful Alfred has been in his pursuit of knowledge may be learned by a glance at the many honors which he has carried off in each of the five years of his college course.

Although not a participator in Athletics he nevertheless took a keen interest in them and was ever present to cheer "Red and White" on to victory. Mr. McIntyre is a man of quiet unassuming disposition, which has won the esteem and affection of his fellow students and has created for him a host of friends.

As to his future it is generally understood that he will choose the "life of single blessedness." We know of none who will bring to the Sanctuary a more brilliant record or a higher character.

### JOSEPH RENE BOISVERT.

The very interesting subject of this sketch was born in Quebec City during the latter part of the nineteenth century. Of his early life we know very little, but after a primary education Rene entered the Little Seminary in 1907, where he remained until 1915. Having successfully competed for the degree of B. L., he then entered the Faculte des Arts and after a brilliant year in Philosophy, during which he was secretary to the Faculte, Rene decided to try "Old St. Dunstan's." Here, as elsewhere, he has made an exceptionally good course and we have no hesitation in saying that he is a man to whom our Alma Mater will be proud to point in the future, as her own.



Besides being a power in the class room, Rene is an athlete of no small ability, but his activity in this line is chiefly confined to tennis. In Mock Parliament he proved a politician of no mean ability and it is to his credit to say that he kept the Postmaster General of the corrupt Curley Government on the straight and narrow path through fear of his criticism ; and although at a disadvantage on account of his language, the building has more than once echoed to his eloquence.

Although we can say that his views on matrimony do not seem to be a serious detriment to his popularity with the fair sex, in whose eyes he seems to shine pre-eminently, we have no condemnation for the predilection they show to such a man as Rene.

Coupled with all these acquirements is that deep spirit of inquiry, which has been shewn by Rene's experiments, on the importance of environment on study. For the greater part of the first half year our hero kept oscillating between the rooms and the study hall until he finally decided in favor of the former, which he says, are undoubtedly the best for study. We can congratulate him on the success of his experiments, and we hope it will be enough to discourage aspirants for like adventures.

We understand Rene intends taking up the study of law and we can only wish him success in his chosen sphere—success in the great measure that he has met with in college.

### JOSEPH FLEMING.

John Joseph Ronald Harrington Fleming was born on June 16th, 1896, and Bay View was the fortunate place that had the honor to hear his first cries. At an early age he entered Stanley High School where he received his primary education ; and although beset with a lengthy cognomen he was light of heart and clear of intellect. In 1911 he passed the Matriculation Examinations, and in the autumn of that year he entered upon his career at St. Dunstan's College. This student was immediately remarked by his classmates as one worthy of note, and he has more than fulfilled those expectations. He has always ranked among the highest, if



J. H. FLEMING



A. BOISVERT



P. M. CLAIRE



A. MCINTYRE



W. J. CURLEY



D. RODWAY



W. ST. PIERRE



C. G. LACOMBE

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C. R. GAUDIN

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not the highest, in all his classes; and though illness caused his missing the term of 1915-16, yet he kept closely in touch with the doings of his Alma Mater. As a historian he has remarkable ability; he is as much at home in the history of the "Feudal Lords" or of the "Hohenstauffens" as in that of his own country. He is particularly concerned with genealogical tables, having succeeded in tracing with minute accuracy his descent from feudal times.

In Philosophy Joe is a renowned champion of St. Thomas, and his splendid arguments in the ponderous question of existence or non-existence are still the awe of his fellow students. The pages of Red and White have been graced, on many occasions with instructive articles from the pen of this student; and this year as Joke Editor he has fearlessly done his duty, regardless of consequences. It was perhaps in St. Thomas Literary Society that Joe's accomplishments were most significant. As leader of the Opposition in Mock Parliament he astounded his hearers with streams of eloquence, and it is rumored that the Curley Government has not yet recovered from his vehement triades.

Not only in hall and class-room does Joe's ability, shine forth, he is an athlete of no mean order. He has learned well "to play the game," always maintaining good fellowship. As captain of 2nd Football Team and of 2nd Hockey Team, he has established a record in "Old St. Dunstan's" as a good sport. It is commonly believed that Joe has not had any serious affections of the heart as yet, having been only temporarily infatuated by the wiles of the fair sex. However we believe that in proper time he will fall a victim to the darts of Cupid.

In all probability Joe will next year, enter upon the study of Law. He is indeed a fit student for such a noble calling, and we trust that in the near future he will reflect credit upon his Alma Mater, and that of him she may well be proud. If good wishes will bring him success he will have it in abundance, for he goes forth with the hearty good wishes of one and all.

## ALBERT ST. PIERRE.

Little is known about the early life and habits of this member of the class except that he was born at St. Pascal, Kamouraska Co., P.Q. some twenty years ago and that he spent six years in the college of Ste-Anne de la Pocatiere.

He came among us at the opening of this scholastic year a perfect stranger and being naturally of a quiet, retiring disposition he is not so well known by the student body as he might be.

As Postmaster General in the Curley administration he distinguished himself by the able manner in which he answered the tirade of questions launched against his office, and especially by effectively disposing of the questions of "Stamp Post" with which his most formidable opponent had been trying to worry him.

It is generally understood that he is to take up the study of law in his native province. If he applies himself in his new studies as he has done during his stay at St. Dunstan's, we predict for him a successful career in his chosen field of labour.

## PETER LECLAIR

In the records of St. Anne's parish, Hope River, we find the subject of this sketch was born at Toronto (not that Upper Canada metropolis of Mail Order houses but a peaceful country settlement on the North Side of Prince Edward Island) in the first half of the last decade of the Nineteenth Century. After attending the school of his home district for some years, he matriculated to Prince of Wales College from which he issued forth in the spring of '09, a second class teacher. Two years and a half did he spend in imparting knowledge to the youth of this isle before he decided that he would go search for more learning. Accordingly in the Autumn of 1912, he re-entered P. W. C. and the following spring obtained a First Class License. He again began teaching but the yearning for greater things was too strong to let him long remain in such unremunerative work and in the fall of 1915 he came to St. Dunstan's. Here his career has



been singularly successful. This last year he has been Prefect and discharged the duties of his office with satisfaction of all.

Peter is endowed with almost all the good qualities which make a student loved and trusted by his fellows. In classroom and debating hall he stood second to none. In athletics although he did not participate in many of the games, still the few times he did play he performed well. He has been in charge of our Cadet Corps for the last two seasons and has drilled them in a manner worthy of his renowned predecessors. As he is a vocalist of note and a violin player of rare skill he is much sought after in social functions. As to what profession he intends to follow we have no knowledge but we confidently believe that whatever walk of life he may choose he will be numbered among the most illustrious of the sons of old St. Dunstan's.

### FRANCIS ARSENAULT

The subject of the following sketch was born at Egmont Bay a place which is long famous as being the birth place of many famous and able men.

The first important event in Mr. Arsenault's life was his entrance to Sacred Heart College, Caraquet, N. B. in the year 1910. He remained there for five years during which time he made remarkable progress in the language and in mathematics. In the autumn of 1915 Frank entered Saint Dunstan's to take up the the study of philosophy and to become more efficient in the English language.

In the former he made rapid progress, for he always evinced a keen desire for the high principles of Aristotle and St. Thomas.

In the latter he made rapid progress and for he can now speak English fluently. Some attribute this great success to his frequent conversations with the fair sex. Frank's social career has also been one of great success for he has won the friendship of all the student body.

It must also be remembered that he has many loving friends in the metropolis who will ever cherish his memory.

As to Mr. Arsenault's future career we have very little or no doubt that he intends to enter upon the study of theology this coming autumn and to give the remainder of his life not to the material, but, what is far greater, the spiritual welfare of man. In this meritorious pursuit his many friends at St. Dunstan's wish him God Speed.

### J. EDMOND GAGNON.

The mighty St. Lawrence as it sweeps past the town of Matane, sees the birth-place of another of St. Dunstan's famous French-Canadians.

The early part of our hero's life is little known to us. It is sufficient to know he came among us, won our praise and esteem while in our midst and leaves us with an abundance of "God-speeds."

From the beginning was noted in him that jovial hilarious spirit which since has endeared him to both students and faculty. His rare characteristics as a good sport, especially in all midnight sallies and expeditions, marked him as a leader for our "notorious third corridor," and the remembrance of Johnny Gazoo will ever remain green in the memories of the old members of the K. K. K.

Nor are his abilities as a leader confined to sport making. His prowess in the field of athletics also demands notice. He excelled in foot-ball, base-ball and hand-ball but especially in hockey being a star of that memorable first team which won the first cup ever brought to old S. D. C.

We must also admire in him those rare powers of oratory, especially at the bar, which have stood him in good stead in many trials, particularly the impeachment of McCaulay.

Gazoo has many times graced the stage as an actor of no mean merit, and on a tour to Kelly's Cross is reported to have become enamoured with one of the feminine rustics of that place, to whom he afterwards addressed his parody, "Blanche."

Though his disposition is versatile he has on some occasions evinced considerable tenacity, manifested in his assiduous and protracted interest in the welfare of



Beer & Weeks and Simpson. Such attention has been considered as unjust and uncalled for by the daughters of merchants in the grocery line.

Johnny, though punctual and attentive to social functions has not disregarded his intellectual pursuits. His first year at St. Dunstan's found him a gold medalist, and he still continues to climb that steep rocky path towards that goal, to which there is no royal road.

We understand that he intends taking up the study of Law, and have no hesitation in saying that his rare abilities in that line, together with his spirit of industry, will earn for him a reputation as one of St. Dunstan's most illustrious men. In this we wish him "God-speed."

### JAMES ROONEY

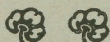
"Paint me as I am" said Oliver Cromwell. "If you leave out the scars and wrinkles I will not pay you a shilling." And the stern old Protector was obeyed. Do not expect, good reader, to find our subject painted as he is,—we confess our inability. Do not expect to see the scars and wrinkles,—if there are any we have not found them. We shall only speak right on, tell you what history shews, and bid facts speak for us. Records shew that the birth-place of James Rooney was Iona, Lot 58, and that he was born a few years less than what historians would call a quarter of a century ago. When he was still quite young his parents moved to Cherry Valley, a beautiful country surrounded by rolling hills and peaceful southern shores. Here, among clover and corn fields within sound of the gentle lapping tide, drinking deep of those calm and quiet surroundings, he grew up to young manhood. He first came to St. Dunstan's in 1907 and on obtaining a teacher's license put in three years teaching in his native province. Then, having received an appointment on the civil service, spent two years in Ottawa, where, from the galleries of the House of Commons, he gained such a knowledge of debate as later to make his opponents in our College Mock Parliament beware of him. In the fall of 1914 he returned to S. D. C. to

finish his classical course and is now closing a very successful college career.

As an athlete he stands in the front rank, playing senior foot-ball and base-ball for the past two years; and, though not a star hockeyist he has always taken a keen interest in the game. Elected by the student body as President of the S. D. C. A. A. A. for 1916-17, he has the credit of bringing our sports in all their different branches to a higher state of proficiency than has been achieved for many years.

For the past two years he has been a member of the teaching staff and has discharged this difficult duty to the general satisfaction of both students and faculty. He was assistant editor of "RED AND WHITE" for 1915-16, and is one of the editors-in-chief for the present year. In this capacity he has shown marked journalistic ability.

His statements with respect to the future are very indefinite, but we venture to think that he will follow his two brothers in the Great Service for which his well-formed, steady character so eminently fits him.



Who knows nothing base, fears nothing known

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Great things astonish us and small dishearten us.  
Custom makes both familiar.

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The fruit derived from labour is the sweetest of pleasures.

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The world is a beautiful book, but of little use to him who cannot read it.

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Truth does not do so much good in the world, as the appearance of it does evil.