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"Of manners gentle, of affections mild,  
In wit a man, simplicity a child."

At Government House, Charlottetown, on July 16th, 1919, Augustine Colin MacDonald, Lt. Governor of Prince Edward Island, peacefully passed from this life, in the eighty-third year of his age. He was in many ways a connecting link with the past. He entered public life and sat in the Legislature of Prince Edward Island before Confederation, and after that event he was a member of the Federal House of Commons for more than twenty years. The Governorship of his native province came to him as a fitting termination of a long unsullied life spent in the public service. His father, Hugh MacDonald, was one of the first Catholics elected to the Legislature of P. E. Island on the occasion of the first general election following the extension of Catholic Emancipation to this province. His three sons, who lived to be octogenarians, enjoyed long public careers, two of them obtaining the distinguished honor of the governorship of their native province.

Governor MacDonald was a man who throughout his whole life exemplified the true ideals of Christian manhood, and possessed a clear vision of the just relation of this life to the life to come. Full of years and honors he was gathered to his fathers, leaving behind him as a precious legacy, the example of a gentle, Christian life spent in the service of his country and of his God.