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In Memoriam

JOSEPH T. ARSENAULT

In the sudden passing on Monday evening, November 29th of Joseph T. Arsenault, at his home in Tignish, his wife and daughters, lost a kind and loving husband and father, the community lost a good citizen, a fine gentleman, and a man one would be proud to call "friend."

Mr. Arsenault was born in Summerside fifty-five years ago, the son of Mrs. Fidele M. Arsenault and the late Mr. Arsenault. After graduation from High School, he went to work with the Canadian National Railways continuing with them for thirty-four years and eight months retiring two years ago, due to ill health. Mr. Arsenault was devoted to his work and through sheer ability rose to the position of Assistant Road Master with the C.N.R.

Twenty-two years ago he and his family came to Tignish to live and where he established a beautiful and comfortable home for his loved ones and where he gathered about him a large group of friends who loved and respected him. He took an active part in all community endeavours, and at the time of his death, was serving the village of Tignish as one of its commissioners. Men with whom he did business, learned quickly to rely on his honesty and fairness. Always a gentleman, he was a credit to his position and his village. All who knew him and regarded him so warmly, will surely miss him, as does his family, so dear to him.

When he became suddenly ill with a heart attack on Monday night, medical aid was summoned immediately and everything possible was done to restore him to his family, but God willed otherwise and he died peacefully fortified by the Sacred Rites of the Roman Catholic Church, of which he was a devoted member. As his soul went out from this world to his Heavenly home, the prayers for a happy death were being said by Reverend Dennis Gallant, his wife and sons, LeRoy and Stewart who were kneeling around his bed.

The funeral was held on Friday morning, December 3rd to the Church of St. Simon and St. Jude, where at 9:30 Requiem Mass was sung for the repose of his soul by Reverend J. A. MacDonald, P.P., assisted by the parish choir, under the direction of Reverend Dennis Gallant. Services at the grave were conducted by Father Gallant.

Honorary Pallbearers were: Messrs. Justin McCarthy, C. F. Morrissey, Hon. J. A. Bernard, E. C. Gaudette, Fred Fitzgerald, Austin Kennedy, Camille Chaisson, and Joseph A. MacDonald. Active Pallbearers were: Messrs. Walter Bernard, John B. Myrick, Jr., Terrence Gavin, Aubin J. Richard, Urban J. Gaudet, and Aubin Doucet. His death are his wife, the former Miss Nettie Arsenault of Summerside, four sons, Cyril with the C.N.R., and stationed in Murray River; Reginald, with the C. P. R., in Toronto, Ontario; DeRoy Stewart at home and one daughter, Miss Jean, a bookkeeper with Amalgamated

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In Memoriam Ordained To Priesthood In Okla. City

JOHN D. MACDONALD

Early on the morning of Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1954, the Angel of Death claimed John D. MacDonald a life-long resident of Summerside, Lot 7.

The deceased had suffered several heart attacks within the past four years, but kept about his duties until the afternoon previous to his death, when he was suddenly stricken and, despite the best of medical care and the devotion of his family, and fortified by the rites of the Roman Catholic Church of which he was an especially devout member, he passed away.

Mr. MacDonald was in his sixty-ninth year. He is survived by one son, Leo, and his wife on the homestead who dutifully cared for him in his declining health; also by three daughters: (Helen) Mrs. Raymond Stewart, Glengarry; (Mildred) Mrs. Leo Dalton, Roseville; (Florence) Mrs. Samson Adams, Charenton. There are also left to mourn the loss of a kindly grandfather, sixteen grandchildren, his two brothers James A. and Andrew, Boston; two sisters: (Mae) Mrs. Daniel MacMillan, Rumford, Chicago; and (Jessie) Mrs. Roland Boyer, Chicago. Two of his sisters predeceased him, (Annie) Mrs. David Stewart and (Jane) Mrs. Pursey Keefe.

He was laid to rest on the morning of November 18th, beside his wife, the former Mary Trainor, Albany, who predeceased him twenty-three years ago and five of their children who died in infancy.

Requiem Mass was celebrated and services at the grave were conducted by his pastor, Rev. J. N. Trainor. Two of his grandchildren, Lorne Stewart and St. Clair Dalton served the funeral Mass.

Pallbearers were: Messrs. Wm. McKendrick, Lloyd Bradshaw, Fred M. O'Halloran, Bennett Howard, Stephen Doyle, Charles Rogers.

May He Rest In Peace.

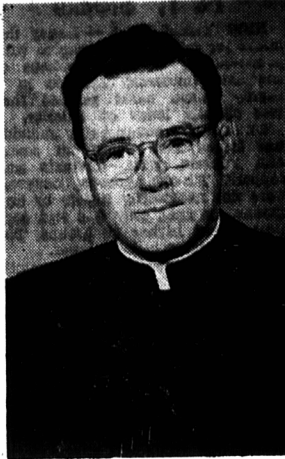
Card of Thanks

The family of the late John D. MacDonald wishes to thank Rev. J. N. Trainor, Dr. Charles Dewar, Claude Jelly and all their kind friends and neighbours who helped in any way during their recent sudden bereavement.

New C. P. R. Public Relations Officer

MONTREAL (CP)—John Edgar March, former parliamentary writer for The Canadian Press and the Montreal Star, has been appointed manager of the department of public relations for the Canadian Pacific Railway. W. A. Mather, president of the CPR, announced Tuesday.

Mr. March entered newspaper work in 1911 as a reporter in his native Saint John, N. B. He served overseas with the 26th Infantry Battalion during the First World War and was wounded twice. On his return, Mr. March joined



Rev. John D. MacDonald was ordained to the Holy Priesthood in the Immaculate Conception Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma on Tuesday morning, December 21, 1910. He is the son of Mrs. Mary Rosetta Gavin and the late John Wilfred Gavin who was born in Tignish where he attained his early education. He attended Dalton School after which he enrolled at St. Dunstan's University from where he graduated with his Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1919.

He began his theological studies at Mt. St. Mary's of the West Seminary, Norwood, Ohio, and completed his studies at St. Gregory's Abbey, Shawnee, Oklahoma.

We will sing his first Solemn High Mass on Sunday, December 26, at 10:30 a.m. in the Immaculate Conception Church, Oklahoma City. Rev. A. O. Murphy, Pastor of Immaculate Conception Church and cousin of Father Gavin will be arch-priest. Rev. Anselm J. Stroub, O.S.B. of St. Benedict's Abbey, Shawnee will be deacon. Rev. Thomas F. Duffy will be sub-deacon.

Rev. Stephen MacAulay of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Cathedral will deliver the sermon. Father MacAulay is a native of Souris.

A reception will be held immediately following the first Mass in the Immaculate Conception Church.

Father Gavin's mother and one sister live in Tignish. He has one brother Gregory, who graduated from S. D. U. in 1949 and is employed with the Department of National Defense Material Inspection Services. He also has five sisters.

He joined the CPR in Winnipeg in 1926 as a press representative and was transferred to Montreal three years later. He was assistant manager of the public relations department prior to his appointment

Strange But True

By F. H. MacArthur

Large families were common in Pioneer days. The goal of every marriage was a nurseries; to be childless was considered a misfortune, and to have only one or two offspring often meant being left with none at all, for infectious diseases then took a heavy toll of young life even those who escaped this scourge often succumbed to the hard conditions of pioneer life and poor medical knowledge of the age.

When a new baby was expected it was customary for the young wife to wear about her person some accredited charm to help her to an easy delivery. Written charms were often handed down from mother to daughter and passed around among friends as they were required.

The midwife had to be chosen with great care as she, more than anyone, had the power to injure the mother or the baby by witchcraft.

Artificial feeding of infants was then very rare. Nursing bottles were far in the future, but a cow's horn was sometimes made to serve the purpose.

Christening took place whenever a clergyman visited the district, which might be only once a year, sometimes longer.

Cradles were made in one piece with wide carved rockers. The cradle was kept close to the fire in winter, for our ancestors felt that warmth was better for the baby than fresh air.

The nursery days came to a close surprisingly soon, for in pioneer days there was no time for prolonged babyhood, and strong as was the affection of parents, it was not overdone by spoiling and indulgence. The youngster had to

be trained for adult life as soon as possible. Children were taught to respect their parents and all elderly persons with whom they came into contact.

Among the grownups the most dreaded disease was smallpox which from time to time visited the land. Indeed it was so prevalent that most persons believed they were sure to catch it at some time or another. When somebody fell victim to the dreaded disease he was confined to a heated room, with closed windows and drawn blinds, and made to drink cordials to make him sweat out the disease. Fresh air and cooling diets were taboo.

Because it was less dangerous in early life many pioneer parents actually put their children in the way of infection, believing they hardly could escape it, and would do better if they got it over early. In later life it was often fatal, and those who were fortunate enough to escape death frequently went back-marked for the rest of their days.

Another common ailment in pioneer days was ague, for which the most amazing remedies were prescribed. Here are a few of them: three spiders suspended about the patient's neck, powdered alum mixed with vinegar, meadow-sweet, with a bit of green wheat added, peruvian bark, and so on without end.

How far these remedies were effective we shall never know, but certainly death took his toll.

When death crossed the threshold the pillow was removed from under the victim's head to ease his passing, for it was a general belief that death would be especially hard if one lay upon feathers.

The period of mourning was long and, to this generation, rather ter-

rible in its unrelieved gloom. Black clothes devoid of any color were worn for a long time. Indeed some widows wore their heavy black veils for the rest of their lives unless they took a second husband. All this seems strange in our day but to omit any of the prescribed customs would have been considered disrespectful to the deceased, and quite out of the question in any family of good standing.

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