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Kindred Spirits

The Lucy Maud Montgomery Legacy
as Interpreted by Contemporary Book Artists

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KINDRED SPIRITS



ANNE of
GREEN GABLES
by
L. M. MONTGOMERY

DID YOU KNOW?
'Kindred Spirits' appears 16 times
in Anne of Green Gables.



My bosom friend &
kindred spirit



Frederica Campbell



What is a Kindred Spirit?
by Anne Shirley

Someone who is sympathetic.

Someone who doesn't mind how much
a person talks.

Someone to whom you can confide your
innermost soul.

Someone who will soothe one's feelings.

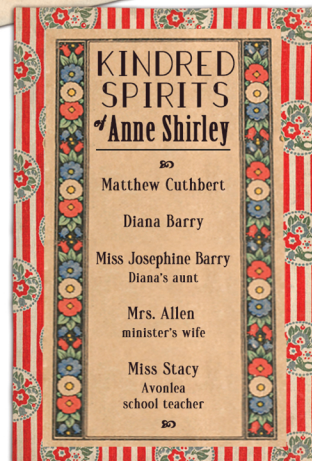
You can read each other's thoughts
without saying a word.

Someone who overlooks your faults
and mistakes.

My dearest Fiede.

Kindred spirits are not so scarce as
I used to think. It's splendid to find
out there are so many of them in the
world.

With great affection,
Maud



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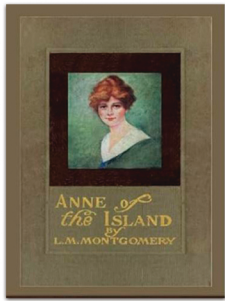
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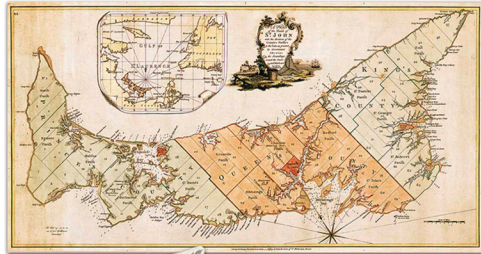


MAUD'S WORLD

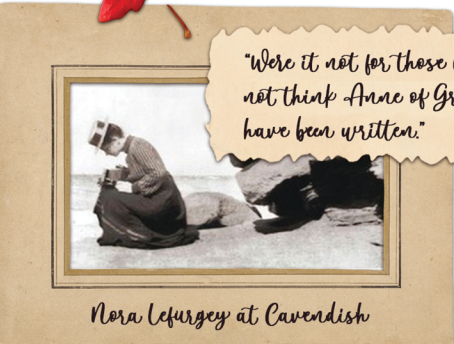


"Prince Edward Island is really a beautiful province - the most beautiful place in America I believe."

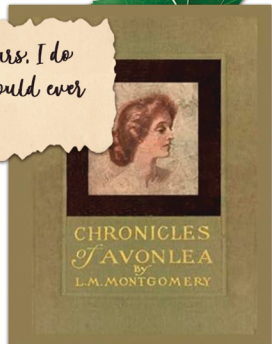
"You never know what peace is until you walk on the shores or in the fields or along the winding red roads of Prince Edward Island."



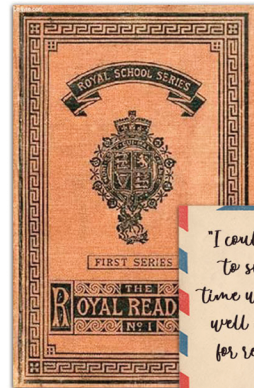
DID YOU KNOW?
In addition to her creative writing, Maud also kept a record of her life in diaries, journals & scrapbooks. It is through these personal documents that we understand the complex life of Lucy Maud Montgomery.



"Were it not for those Cavendish years, I do not think Anne of Green Gables would ever have been written."



READING & WRITING



"I could read and write when I went to school. There must have been a time when I learned, but... I might as well have been born with a capacity for reading, as we are for breathing and eating."



CAVENDISH POET
Granddaughter of Alexander & Lucy MacNeill
Lucy Maud Montgomery, granddaughter of Alexander & Lucy MacNeill, had poem, "Only a Violet" published in *Acorn* magazine. Poet won \$5 in scrips to magazine.

DALHOUSIE STUDENT WINS CONTEST
Halifax Evening Mail

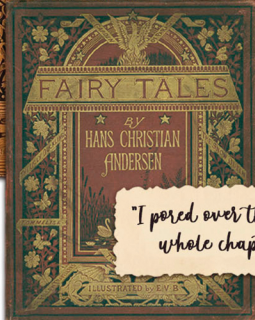
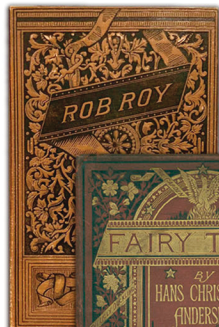
ASPIRING
Dalhousie short story

"I needed boots & gloves but I spent my windfall on 5 books of poetry: Tennyson, Byron, Milton, Longfellow, and Whittier."

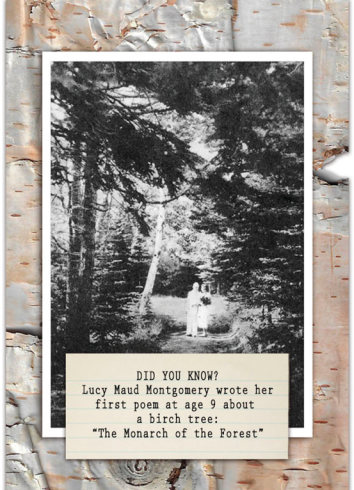
Philadelphia... Golden Days has published a short story from local student. "Our Charivari", written by Lucy Maud Montgomery, receives \$5.

DID YOU KNOW?
Lucy Maud Montgomery wrote 500 short stories, 21 novels, and 2 poetry collections.

Anne of Green Gables has been translated into 36 languages as well as braille, with the most recent Scottish Gaelic translation, *Anna Ruadh*, published in 2020.



"I pored over these until I knew whole chapters by heart."



DID YOU KNOW?
Lucy Maud Montgomery wrote her first poem at age 9 about a birch tree: "The Monarch of the Forest"

CATS & DOGS



DID YOU KNOW?
Maud loved cats & had many, but there was one she liked in particular. She dedicated *Jane of Lantern Hill* to him.

"To the memory of 'Lucky'. The charming and affectionate comrade of fourteen years."



"The only real cat is a grey cat."

"I love them, they are so nice and selfish. Dogs are TOO good and unselfish. They make me feel uncomfortable. But cats are gloriously human."

Anne Shirley



FELINE NAMES

The many cats of Lucy Maud Montgomery

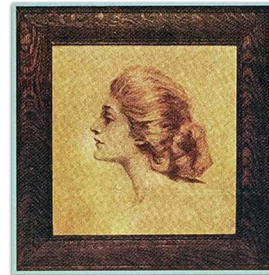
Catkin, Pussy-willow, Topsy, Mephistopheles, Lady Katherine, Firefly, Carissima, Max, Laddie, Toms, Bobs, Pat, Daffy I, Daffy II, & Lucky

"Will you leave the china dogs?" asked Anne timidly. "I shall... Their names are Gog and Magog. Gog looks to the right and Magog to the left."

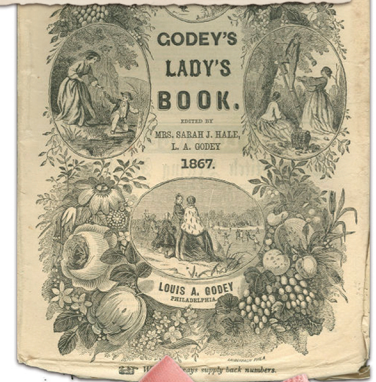
Anne of the Island



FASHION & FLAIR



"The opening pages of *Godley's Lady's Book* were full of fashion plates. I whiled away many an hour choosing what frocks I would have if I could."



"It is ever so much easier to be good if your clothes are fashionable."
Anne Shirley



DID YOU KNOW?
Lucy Maud Montgomery kept a photo of an unknown woman by her side while she wrote *Anne of Green Gables*.

C.D. Gibson was inspired by the same woman when he created his illustrations. "Gibson Girls" at the time were viewed as stylish, independent women.