

**Accession #2996**

**Central Charlottetown photograph fonds**

**ITEM DESCRIPTIONS**

**Item 1: South side of Queen Square photograph. - [ca. 1875]. - 1 photograph**

The south side of Queen Square, later Victoria Row, was one of Charlottetown's, Prince Edward Island, main commercial streets in the 1870's. Businesses lining the street from that decade dealt in a wide variety of goods and services including tailoring, the selling of dry goods and the manufacture and sale of rubber boots and furniture. Unfortunately, a fire in February of 1884 swept through the section destroying all but the building located on the corner of Richmond and Queen.

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**Item 2: Market building photograph. - [ca. 1870]. - 1 photograph**

January of 1867 saw the opening of the third market building to be erected on Queen Square. Designed by cabinet maker and city councillor Mark Butcher, it was known as the Butcher Market House. The ground floor was divided into 3 sections: one for butchers; another for country produce, fruit and fowl; and the third for meal and flour. The upper storey of the market was finished as a public hall. The building also accommodated City Hall from 1872 to 1888. In 1876 an extension was made to provide space for a police station and a belfry to house a new fire bell. In December of 1902, the market was destroyed by fire.

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**Item 3: St. Dunstan's Cathedral & Bishop's Palace photograph. - [ca. 1876]. - 1 photograph**

In 1843, a wooden church was erected on Great George St. It was called St. Dunstan's and served as a place of worship for Charlottetown's Roman Catholic residents. It was the second of four R.C. churches to occupy this space. Next to St. Dunstan's was the Bishop's Palace. This building, begun in 1872 was not occupied by the Bishop until September of 1875. The Bishop's Palace remains to this day but the 1843 church was hauled away to make way for a stone cathedral which began in 1897.

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