

# Collections Canada Postmaster Database

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### Introduction

The *Post Offices* database documents changes of postmasters at individual post offices located across Canada. The data relate to open and closed post offices located in the ten provinces and territories.

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Postman dressed in his fall clothing, Feb. 1894  
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Enter one or more search terms.

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**Keywords:**

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**Office Name:**

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# Search Results for New Annan, P.E.I.



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1. <a href="#">Prince Edward Island</a>	New Annan	Prince

  
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**Name of Office:** New Annan

**Federal Electoral District:** Prince (Prince Edward Island)

**Dates:**

<i>Establishment</i>	<i>Re-openings</i>	<i>Closings</i>
1878-07-01		1912-09-30

#### Postmaster Information:

<i>Name of Postmaster</i>	<i>Military Status</i>	<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Date of Appointment</i>	<i>Date of Vacancy</i>	<i>Cause of Vacancy</i>
Robert Walker	-	-	1878-07-01	1882	Death
George P. Walker	-	-	1883-01-01	1888	Left the place
Mrs. W.B. Bowness	-	-	1889-07-01	1902-03-16	Resignation
John H. Baker	-	-	1902-06-01	1912-09-30	Closed

**Additional Information:** Township 19 - 1878-07-01

I now have appointment dates for my 2nd great grandfather and great grandfather.

My great grandfather, George P. Walker, left P.E.I. for Colorado sometime between 1883 and 1890. I now have the emigration year.



# Search for Kensington, P.E.I.



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**Federal Electoral District:** Malpeque / Prince (Prince Edward Island)

**Dates:**

<i>Establishment</i>	<i>Re-openings</i>	<i>Closings</i>
1852	-	-

**Former Office Information:**

<i>Former Name</i>	<i>Date of Change</i>
Barrett's Cross	1886-01-01

**Postmaster Information:**

<i>Name of Postmaster</i>	<i>Military Status</i>	<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Date of Appointment</i>	<i>Date of Vacancy</i>	<i>Cause of Vacancy</i>
William Glover (PM in)	-	-	1874	1875-05	Death
William Glover, Jr.	-	-	1876-04-01	1886-12-23	Death
Gordon Glover	-	-	1887-01-01	1928-03-27	Resignation
Hartle Lloyd Howard	-	-	1928-05-31	1955-06-26	Death
Harry Keir Duggan	-	-	1955-06-29	Acting	-
David Roscoe Walker	-	*	1955-12-29	Acting	-
David Roscoe Walker	-	*	1957-03-01	1974-11-30	Retirement
Robert M. Cars	-	-	1974-12-01	1983-10	Retirement
Lew Champion	-	-	1983-10-06	-	-

\* In compliance with the Privacy Act (1983), certain personal information has been deleted from this file.

Names being researched include Glover, father & son.

David Roscoe Walker is a 3rd cousin.



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**Name of Office:** Mount Stewart

**Federal Electoral District:** Cardigan / Queens (Prince Edward Island)

**Dates:**

<i>Establishment</i>	<i>Re-openings</i>	<i>Closings</i>
1874-07-01		-

**Postmaster Information:**

<i>Name of Postmaster</i>	<i>Military Status</i>	<i>Date of Birth</i>	<i>Date of Appointment</i>	<i>Date of Vacancy</i>	<i>Cause of Vacancy</i>
David Egan (PM in)	-	-	1874	1901-11-02	Resignation
Montague Pigot	-	-	1902-01-01	1912-05-29	Dismissal, Political Partisanship
Hamilton D. Coffin	-	-	1912-06-10	1917-02-16	Death
Mrs. Henrietta Coffin	-	-	1917-05-23	1929-04-16	*
William McKenzie	-	-	1929-09-20	1932-09-22	Dismissal, Political Partisanship
Miss Catherine Timmins	-	-	1932-10-01	1936-11-26	Change in site
John Joseph McIntyre	-	1880-12-03	1937-01-09	1954-08-06	Resignation
Mrs. Evelyn Patricia MacDonald	-	*	1954-09-25	-	-

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Cause of vacancy can be humorous.

Some information is kept private, marked with an asterisk.