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TENTH YEAR.

THEIR FORTUNE WRECKED

**THE DISASTER THAT HAS OVERTAKEN A CANADIAN FAMILIES.**  
Thomas Clark Street, Great West-  
ern Division and Great West-  
ern Division, the late residence of  
Bishop Fuller, has been the scene of  
a disaster which has wrecked the  
fortune of a family which has been  
prosperous for many years.

BRANDON, Feb. 14.—The fire which broke  
out in the morning of the 14th, destroyed  
the residence of the late Bishop Fuller,  
and the loss is estimated at \$200,000.  
The fire was caused by a gas stove  
in the kitchen, and the flames spread  
to the large Masonic block adjoining  
the residence.

BRANDON, Feb. 14.—Over in the burning  
ground at Niagara Falls (Dundas  
ville) there is a large stone vault containing  
the remains of Thomas Clark Street,  
the richest man that ever lived in the Penin-  
sula. He died a bachelor some years ago  
leaving a fortune of two million dollars.  
Some of this money he inherited from his  
father, whose firm, Street & Clark (Chil-  
peps, were successfully engaged in mil-  
linery. Thomas C. Street succeeded to the  
business. But besides his wealth he was  
one of the largest purchasers of lands sold  
for taxes in Upper Canada, and in this way  
came to own property all over what is now  
Ontario. Tom Street's family, which included  
his own four sisters, each getting about  
half a million dollars. Of this money over  
one million dollars has already disap-  
peared as well as another half million which  
had been accumulated by Bishop Fuller,  
husband of one of the Misses Street. The  
wreck in Niagara Falls is the first of the  
fortune ever piled up in Canada, and the  
first in the history of our people. Valancey  
E. Fuller, the well-known dayman and  
cattle breeder, is blamed for the wreck of  
the Fuller fortune, though to what extent  
this will be found is only known to the  
family themselves and the lawyers and ac-  
countants who have been busy for some  
weeks in examining the books of the Fuller  
estates. The children of the old Bishop,  
for any family in Canada, are to-day the  
only ones.

**Tom Street's Estate.**  
Of the four sisters who inherited Tom  
Street's money, one was Mrs. Plumb of  
Niagara, another Mrs. Fuller, a third Mrs.  
Macklem and a fourth Mrs. Becher. The  
money that went to the Plumb family has  
partially disappeared, less of the Mack-  
lem money has been lost, and the Becher  
money is now all gone and the Becher  
portion is understood to have remained  
intact. Bishop Fuller, or as he  
was known in Toronto, Archbishop Fuller,  
of St. George's church, John Street, by a  
long course of saving is supposed to have  
accumulated nearly half a million, which he  
left to his wife, who already possessed the  
half million left her by her brother, the  
couple having agreed that the survivor  
should be possessed of the whole of their  
united fortunes. It would have been better  
had the old Bishop not divided his own  
fortune among his seven children, which he  
indeed his wife to do, the same, retaining  
only a competence for herself. The course  
pursued has resulted in the wreck of a  
millionaire's fortune, and never before in  
the history of Canada has any such dis-  
astrous calamity overtaken a family of  
which the members are scattered over the  
whole Dominion.

**The Fuller Family.**  
Bishop Fuller's son, William, a  
teller in the Bank of Commerce, predeceased  
the family disaster. Another, Shelton, is  
the well-known bank manager at Wood-  
stock. Next to the wife, the children, who  
have been engaged in a variety of mer-  
cantile pursuits in which their credit depended  
upon their expatriation of the estate.  
The youngest son is H. H., who was until  
lately in the dairy business in the Areola  
in partnership with Valancey E. Fuller,  
and his wife, the late Mrs. Fuller, who  
is married to Rev. Mr. McLeod, now in  
England, son of the late Col. McLeod of  
Orkney, and brother of the late Chief  
Commissioner of the Northwest Mounted  
Police. Mr. McLeod's daughter is married  
to a son of Hon. John Ross of Toronto.  
Another daughter of Bishop Fuller is  
married to Judge Benson of Port Hope, and  
a third is Mrs. James S. McMurray of  
Toronto.

**Where the Fuller Fortune Went.**  
Just how the Fuller fortune went of  
quite a million dollars has disappeared has  
not fully come out, but it is understood that  
Valancey, who was solicitor for the estate  
of his father and for his mother, invested in  
enterprises that were not successful.  
Perhaps two hundred thousand dollars went  
into the ill-fated Globe Cattle Company,  
whose office is still in Church-street, To-  
ronto, and whose managing spirit was Mr.  
Duncan Plumb, Valancey Fuller's first  
cousin. Mr. Fuller's name was not only  
endorsed on Valancey's subscription, but  
also that of Duncan Plumb's. Many  
wealthy Torontonians lost heavily in this  
company. The company had an immense  
deal of high-grade cattle on a ranch in one  
of the Northwestern States and one had win-  
ter sweep most of them away. Then there  
was a co-operative business up near Chatham,  
Ontario, into which nearly a hundred thou-  
sand went. Another company that will  
cost the Fuller family was organized to  
erect roller flour mill machinery. The  
banks made large advances on the strength  
of Mr. Fuller's name. The Commerce, it is  
understood, is secured by the stock in that  
bank held by the estate. Valancey claims  
that his Jersey stock farm did not swallow  
up any of his father and mother's estate.

**A Warning to the Next Generation.**  
The Fuller fortune, had it been distrib-  
uted as the bishop's death would have left  
his widow and family independent all their  
days, and their children after them; by  
mismanagement it is entirely disappeared.  
There is a lesson for rich men in this  
affair, and some The World knows of have  
already taken it to heart. Why should  
grown-up children have to become grieve-  
headed before enjoying their parents'  
wealth, and run the risk of never getting it,  
through mismanagement or worse? In  
these days when Trust Companies exist  
everywhere, it is in Toronto, a rich man, if  
he cannot see his way to dividing his estate  
before his death, ought by means of these  
concerns to at least protect his heirs from  
the errors of those who have the handling  
after death of his estate.

**It is understood that the clergy of the  
Anglican diocese of Niagara each lose some  
of their property by the wreck of the Bishop's  
fortune.**  
A handsome lot of  
Moses, Rev. B. B. has tested a hand-  
some lot for 1899. It is all exclusive  
work of art.

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