THE BANK CAVED ON HIM SOME CURIOUS TESTIMONY

Struck Him on Top of the Head and Broke His Neck-Was Dead When His Companions Reached Him.

the fatal affair are: Youngclause was Davey, the contractor in charge of the working in the bottom of the sewer, work, was represented at the inquest by which is about eight and a half feet be- A. H. MacNeill, while J. A. MacDonald low the surface of the roadway.

ture of clay and loam and is stiff and Mr. Davey, and tended to show that the had not been taken. compact. The top of the sewer excavation is three feet wide and tapers down
gence to which Youngclause's death
MR. DAVEY IS TO BLAME matter to shore the present trenches,
and pointed out that an easy method of compact. The top of the sewer excava- contractor had been guilty of no neglito two and a half feet at the bottom, the could be traced. Today Mr. MacDonald flare being given to it to prevent cave expects to introduce witnesses who will ing. John McVeigh, the foreman who had charge of this section of the sewer, said he never thought for a moment that said he never thought for a moment that the bank would cave, and is at a loss to would have been avoided had the necesaccount for the accident. Without a sary precautions been taken. second's warning the bank fell away for Dr. Bowes, the coroner, presided at a distance of eight or ten feet in length the inquest, and the jurymen were and about 18 inches in breadth, directly Messrs. John J. McKane, foreman; over where Youngclause was working. Wm. Harper, Geo. Munroe, H. H. Youngclause was standing with his back Johnson, J. E. Saucier and James M. against the east side of the excavation Clarke. The examination was in the and as the mass toppled over it broke city offices, and a good sized crowd was into fragments. The smaller pieces and present.

quently learned that the force of the ician found that the upper vertebra of region of the shoulders. the cervical vertabrae was fractured. His Companions Horrified.

Medical Aid Summoned. Messengers were sent for Drs. Reddick and Coulthard. In six or seven minutes from the time the cave in occurred in charge of the section where Youngthe fellow workers had the unfortunate clause was killed, stated emphatically man on the surface, and the physicians, that timbers were unnecessary in the after a short examination, discovered ditch, and that there were men at hand that his neck was fractured, and saw to put them in if they should be needed. News of the accident spread rapidly, to whether or not Mr. McVeigh assumed out was in progress and after his body was being there, but the witness declined to tween 300 and 400 people gathered and every confidence in his own judgment, stood along the edge of the sewer and, and would not expect to hold his job if strange to say, no other portion of it he put in unneccessary shoring." caved in. The body of the unfortunate Dr. Bowes submitted that this reply

A Native of the Shetland Islands. wick, Shetland islands, where he has a about shoring. To this Dr. Bowes mother and a brother living. While there he followed herring fishing and worked as a harvest hand. Three months since he left the old country, thinking to better his fortunes in Canada. Soon after his arrival here he secured employment learning some land to the south of the city, but the work was not remun-

have been employed in contracting work no chances. work over which I had control. When the ground has the least appearance of

I nor Foreman McVeigh had the slightest idea that the ground would cave

It is understood that the funeral will take place on Wednesday.

Premier Hardy on Wheat Prices. TOTONTO, Ont., Sept. 1.—In his speech

A Lump That Weighed 250 Pounds Employes of Contractor Davey Swear ditch at the point where the accident occurred was 8 feet 4 inches deep. Some Expert Opinions-Other Side Will Be Heard Today.

James Youngclause, a laborer, was in- The inquest over the death of James street appeared for the friends of the deceased. which is about eight and a half leet by appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was then continued until appeared for the friends of the deceased. Inquest was the friends of the deceased. Inquest was the friends of the friends of the deceased. Inquest was the friends of the friend

250 pounds struck him on the top of the head with fearful force, although it only fellthree teet. The result was it forced his head forward and downward so that the chin rested on his breast. The result was it forced his head forward and downward so that the injuries consisted in the ported that the ported that the injuries consisted in the ported that the porte fellthree teet. The result was it forced his head forward and downward so that the head forward and downward so that the post mortem examination, and he reported that the injuries consisted in the chin rested on his breast. The lump did not go any further, but remained on did not go any further, but remained on his head and shoulders. It was subsequently learned that the force of tebrae. Death, which was installant out of the ditch. Lagging or ous, was evidently caused by some heavy ebject striking the dead man in the blow from the mass of earth was so ebject striking the dead man in the

Joseph Dobman and S. Simpson, laborers in the ditch alongside of Youngclause, who saw the accident which A cry of horror went up from caused his death, testified to the facts the men at work and Foreman in the case substantially as reported in and the men work- THE MINER of yesterday. They stated ing under him quickly hurried to the that the trench was about nine feet deep relief of the unfortunate man. A rope at the point where the accident occurred. was tied around the big lump that The first two feet was of "made earth, rested on his and it was hoisted and consisted of gravel, earth and sticks. to the surface. By this means Under that was a layer of loamy clay his head and breast were exposed. and sand. Both stated that they the was found to be standing upright.

ditch safe at the point where the acci-John McVeigh, the foreman who was that he was beyond all human help. Mr. MacDonald pressed the question as News of the accident spread rapidly, to whether of the shoring not the jurymen assented to it, after white and while the work of digging the victim the responsibility for the shoring not the inquest was dissolved. There were brought to the surface, a crowd of be- answer further than to say that "he had

was conveyed to Beatty's undertaking was sufficient, but Mr. MacDonald inheld at 10 o'clock by Coroner Bowes. still declined to give a direct reply, the a conviction can be secured. Youngclause was a native of Sand- had asked Mr. Davey for instructions

Mr. Davey said he was an industrious, to use timber wherever necessary. He eight feet deep. Being unfamiliar with willing and intelligent man, and ex- had not told each man individually, but sewer work he did not know how wide a

the first accident that ever happened on tions in a general way, when around the thought that on one occasion he had put of the drain at the point where the acciwork ?"

than to protect the ditch. He never warned the foreman to put in shoring, but had warned the foreman to put in shoring, but had warned half a dozen, other one.

over the installation of the Spokane street sewer, where the accident occurred. He had put Mr. McVeigh in direct charge of that portion of the system, and considered him a competent system, and considered him a competent system. In his opinion, there A Sewer Laborer Meets With a Sudden Death.

Coroner Bowes and a Jury Investigating Youngclause's Death.

System, and considered him a complete.

and reliable man. In his opinion there and reliable man and reliable man and reliable man. In his opinion there was no necessity for timbering at the was no necessity for timbering at the depth reached by the sewer in question. economically done from the top downward, during the digging of the trench.
The cost of timbering is very low, perhaps about 2 cents per lineal foot. place in the trench at the time he was

killed, and the point on which he stood was 5 feet 6 inches under the level of the Both he and Mr. McVeigh were in stantly killed by the caving of a sewer Youngclause, who was killed Monday by duty bound to look after the necessary embankment on Spokane street yester- a cave-in of the sewer-ditch where he shoring, and the men should also take day afternoon at 3 o'clock. The unfortuate man was struck on the head by a day afternoon and evening, and there had told the decorated to the head by a day afternoon and evening, and there had told the decorated to the head by a day afternoon and evening, and there had told the decorated to the head by a day afternoon and evening, and the men should also take all necessary precautions against accilump of earth that weighed 250 pounds was still so much evidence to be considbers whenever necessary. The ground and his neck was broken so that death ered that an adjournment was taken in the Spokane street trench varied conwas instantaneous. The particulars of until this afternoon at 3 o'clock. W. B. siderably in character. Some of it was ditional shoring had been put in since

> At the request of Mr. MacDonald the inquest was then continued until Wed-

ed to Take Proper Precautions to Protect the Men.

THE VERDICT.

protected."

JOHN J. McKANE, WM. HARP, GEO. MUNROE, H. H. JOHNSON, J. E. SAUCIER, JAS. M. CLARKE.

The above verdict was brought in at :45 o'clock this morning.

the jurymen assented to it, after which a man. present at the time only. the coroner, jurymen, Mr. Davey, Mr. MacNeill, Alderman Fraser, and one or two others.

municated to the attorney-general, whose duty it will then be to secure indictments against the persons responestablishment, and an inquest will be sisted that the witness answer. As he sible for the accident, if in his opinion

pressed deep regret for his death. "I he had told a number of them to take ditch of that depth should be. The wit-

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W. J. HERALD, M. E., Agent, Rossland

he testified that it would be a simple timbers along the length of the upper parts of the ditch, and keep them in place by crossbars. In sandy or clayey loam it is necessary to begin lagging at a depth of 7 feet. Along Washington Long Also Responsible-Both Neglect- street where the soil is soft it would be

Considered it Unsafe. Sol Cameron, the contractor, was the first witness introduced by Mr. Mac-"We, the jury empanelled to Donald. Having put in sewer systems

Cross-examined by Mr. MacNeill, he

quired safeguards that were not used. the top part was most likely to have At 10 o'clock last night the closing started the particular cave-in which evidence was produced, and the case went to the jury. There was evidently some difference of opinion regarding the verdict that should be returned, as they deliberated till 1:45 this morning before sider it necessary to timber the ditch at reaching a conclusion. At that hour a depth of 6 feet, for at a greater depth

Questioned by Mr. MacDonald, he stated that the ground on Spokane street the state of the ditch, but had not was of a doubtful character, and it was warned any one of the risk being run. the rule among contractors to put shor-The result of the verdict will be com- ing along ditches of that kind. It was the duty of the foreman or contractor, the hydralic ditch at the Cariboo mines. city council in the matter of the plans the than the workmen, to see that rather than the workmen, to see that The made ground on Spokane street, which they prepared for the proposed proper logging was put in, for laborers being composed of rocks and logs, would city hall. It was the intention of the being composed of rocks and logs, would usually employed on such work are in-capable of judging whether or not tim-bers were needed. Inexperienced men where they see it. seldom know danger when they see it, The first witness called was William and they seldom complain to the fore-

ness had generally consulted the fore- were summoned by Mr. Macdonald with Dr. Bowes—"You gave these instruc- man before putting in shoring, but the object of bringing out the condition

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investigate the death of James in Pullman and Spokane, he was famil- knowing the abilities of any engineer ance. Since it had been 10 weeks since Youngclause, find that he came to jar with trench work. He had exam- who had inspected the work, he would there was any leakage from the water the remains. Drs. Kenning, Coulthard his death as a result of a caving ined the ditch at the point where the in of the side of a sewer ditch on accident occurred, but had only viewed in a sewer ditch on accident occurred, but had only viewed in an archard ditch more than the accident could be ascribed to

> Records like the following carry conit safe. While standing on the surface of the ground, looking at the ditch, he of the ground, looking at the ditch, he was approached by Mr. Costello, who, was very little slope visible. In his exafter calling him very abusive names, perience the laborers were not allowed some years. I have been a great sufferer

Saw It Before the Accident. Youngclause, killed Monday by a cave- testified that he was an unsuccessful Robert Hamill, who had been em-Youngclause, killed Monday by a cave- lost like the lost l ued all day yesterday and a good part of last evening. Large crowds were pres-He was found to be standing upright. Water was poured on his head and shoulders, but these efforts to revive him proved useless. "He never breathed from the time we uncovered his head," said Forenam McVeigh, in fact, the lump fell on him in such a way that his mouth was uncovered way that his mouth was uncovered and need ould have breathed add he not been mortally injured by the large lump outling injured by the large lump which struck him on the head."

Medical Ald Summoned.

He was found to be standing upright. Water was poured on his head and should respond to the trench. Was no need of shoring in the trench. Was no need of shoring in the trench. Was no need of shoring in the trench. In the trench should have been into earth of that nature was likely to the sessions, and extraordinary of the day of the danger than were the head and thought that he was better sale, and thought that he was better the sale, and thought that he was better the sale, and thought that he was better the sale, and thought that he was better. My case was an almost hopeless was no need of shoring in the trench. He did not consider the ditch along of the danger than were last evening. Large crowds were present at both sessions, and extraordinary of the trench should have been into the head of the last evening. Large crowds were present at thought that he was better. My case was an almost hopeless was an almost hopeless allowed work I was all he danger than were the ditch along of the danger than were last evening. Large crowds were presented than the was better. My case was an almost hopeless was an almost hopeless and thought that he was better. My case was an almost hopeless and thought that he was better. My case was an almost hopeless allowed to did the danger than were the fitted in the was better. My case was an almost hopeless allowed the danger than were sale to jump the sale to been employed, shoring would have flesh and feel like a new man. I am been commenced at that depth. The free from aches and pains, and have Dr. width of the ditch was a matter of im- Williams' Pink Pills to thank for it all.' portance only to the contractor, since The reporter could not help feeling that in a narrow trench, properly timbered, Mr. Downey's case was a striking one, a workman could not work to good ad- as he now presents a stout well built figvantage. The ground in question was ure, straight limbed and as smart in his evidently unstable, and there had been movements as a young man of 20. reaching a conclusion. At that hour than that a slide would be likely to bury several caves-in along the Spokane street ditch. He considered that the lives of workmen were endangered by City Council Fails to Answer the Peti-

couver he had worked two summers on they are not being treated right by the Engineer Kirk's Evidence.

ment clearing some land to the south of the city, but the work was not remunerative. He was 27 years of age and unmarried.

What Mr. Davey Said.
What Mr. Davey said the deceased at a point where shoring was unnecessary.
What Mr. Davey said the deceased are to him three weeks since and to do him with a small sum, as leaky water pipe in as he was without work or money. Mr. Davey said he was a leaky water pipe in as he was without work or money and gave him employment.
Mr. Davey said he was an industrious, which might have caused the silded occurred was about which might have caused the silded occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about where the silde occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about where the silde occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about where the silde occurred was about with might have caused the silded occurred was about where the silde occurred was about two feets of made earth fell when the was readily beaut two feets of made earth fell when the was readily beaut the carried trace. The witnesses at the evening session experience he would say that from the depth of six feet, the trench was unsafe without shoring. This fact should be evident to any experienced foreman. Cross-examined by Mr. MacNeill, he in some timbers without asking for instructions. He had never seen more structions. He had never seen more Mr. McKane—"Had you a cave-in on than the one cave-in on St. Paul avewas David Lawson, who had followed the construction of Precautions Against Accidents.

"I have men whose sole duty it is to patrol the line of the sewer construction in order to prevent accidents. Neither I nor Foreman McVeigh had the slight-I nor Foreman McVeigh had the slightest idea that the ground would cave,
owing to its clayey, tenacious nature. I
am very sorry that this poor young man
should have met his death in such a
manner."

It is understood that the funeral will

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overy man of the except the point where the accident occurred. He
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point where the accident occurred. He
which they presented to Mr. Costello,
which they presented to Mr. Mr. Coste Questioned by Mr. MacDonald, Mr. Chris Traxell also testified that he been given for the witness, yet Mr. Oos- with very little soil in British Columbia Davey said that he put in shoring to heard Mr. Davey instruct the men tunprotect the lives of his workmen more nelling under the railroad to use plenty Cronyn go down, and he did so. In the pine mentioned by Mr. Costello which than to protect the ditch. He perer of timber The december of timber the difference of timber the december of timber the warned the foreman to put in shoring, but had warned half a dozen other employees to use timbers. He was under the impression that he had warned the deceased but was not positive

viction with them, and in a practical said that he would knock him down if to attend to timbering, but men were for upwards of 10 years with sciatic he had him in the States. The point employed whose sole duty it was to look rheumatism. I was tortured with which Mr. MacDonald wished to dis-which Mr. MacDonald wished to dis-close was that Costello had refused to allow an independent person to examine the ditch that I could not work and part of the time was not able to even move about. I became so weak, and my system so run

ARE WAITING FOR A REPLY.

tion of the Architects. The architects of the city feel that hall, promising to give the superintend-. The last witness introduced by Mr. ence of construction and the usual fees



Delay Means Death.

ing to the price of \$1 had electrified the country, but it was not to remain at \$1. The believed the state of the markets of the world would warrant a very considerable advance in the present price.

Metal Quotations.

New York, Sept. 1.—Bar silver, 51½cc. Mexican dollars, slic. Copper—Firm; brokers' price, \$11.45; xchange price, \$11.00\(\frac{2}{8}\)11.25.

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Shipments Last Week Mines Were 2,125 T and Kootenay Starte After a Short Shut D

The ore shipments from mines amounted to 2,12 the week just past, wh output of the camp for the up to 50,996 tons. Estim age value of the ore at \$3 we believe to be much b value, this means that months Rossland has prod \$1,529,880, or at the rate

000 per month. During August the s. 10,794 tons, which, using of estimates, \$30 per ton value of \$323,820 for the siderably more than \$10. The shippers for the cluded the Le Roi, with 1.875 tons; the Columbia which sent 150 tons to th Cliff, with 50 tons to its

Iron Mask, which shippe The War Eagle still adl policy of holding back ore charges are reduced. Th is also out of the list of week, though some fine being piled at the mouth Superintendent Long of peen centralizing work o the 300-foot level.

As the Columbia and closed down a part of shipments comprised ore viously had been broker Cliff is now shipping ore f between its two tunnels, is vielding very good sn The Le Roi, so Capt. Ha looked better, and Samue intendent of the Iron Ma enthusiastic over the app property. Altogether th the week must be considered satisfactory.

COLUMBIA AND KOOTE It Has Started Up After for a Few Day Work was suspended on

and Columbia last week

sumed Monday. The Colt, as the Iron Colt peo compressed air from the Columbia compressor. in full operation this Iron Colt company has ar in a second drill, which w west drift of the vein cut The suspension of work

enay and Columbia gave port that Mr. Heinze had bond on that property. tion of work is an effective of that report.

IN THE TULAMEEN Rossland Prospectors I Promising Group on Gr C. H. Bonter and G. back from a prospecting to

ameen country. Whil staked off a claim near about 35 miles from Kar claim to have an eightwhite quartz carrying of assays of \$210 in gold, silve have been obtained. W. the local customs house, four, master mechanic of t mine, are also interested in Five claims have been st the ledge, among which is a by James Manson and Jan also of Rossland. A sm ton of ore taken from a 20neighboring claim, returne silver and copper. The Bo say it is an exceedingly we country, though very litt

been done in it. TWO SICAMOUS R. M. Grogan Has Beet Them for the Rosslan

R. M. Grogan is back through the Lardeau and countries, where he was lo number of mining intere controls. Mr. Grogan spe the mineral deposits of the is not over-hopeful regarding diate development of that

In the Sicamous country two properties in which he ner, F. W. Rolt, together Smith & Whiteman, are in one of these, the Red Jac miles from the C. P. R., th body of pyritic ore, carryin and a little silver, on which have been working all sum other property, the May D a strong lead of white qu galena in good values. highly pleased with the sh the properties.

MCARTHUR ELECTED Rossland Board of Trade Last Night-New Sugges revived on Monday, when

The long dormant board the members was held in block for the purpose of rec association, with the res McArthur was elected presi secretaryship was left va time being. W. B. Townsend acted a

the meeting and A. B. Cl. porary secretary. It was Edward Hewitt that the body be changed to the bu and commence, as more in