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Governor Musgrove.

MR. ANTHONY MUSGRAVE our new governor, we are informed by a gentleman personally acquainted with him, is a gentleman of remarkable ability. The family although English have made the colonies their home for generations. His father was the celebrated Dr Anthony Musgrave, the senior partner of the firm of Drs. Musgrave, Nicholson & Son, the leading physicians in Antigua, West Indies, and also Treasurer of the Colony for a period of 25 years and upwards. At the time of Dr. Musgrave's death, the *Lancet* (Medical Journal) in a complimentary notice, remarked that the Medical profession had to "lament the loss of a distinguished ornament." Mr. Musgrave is also a nephew of the late Sir Christopher Musgrave, Chief Justice of the Cape of Good Hope. Mr. Musgrave was born in Antigua, but educated in England. Upon his return home, after completing his education, he entered his father's office—the Treasury—as Chief Clerk; where he remained for some years, when he entered upon the study of law, with his uncle, the Hon. James W. Sheriff, then Attorney General of Antigua. Mr. McIntosh, the then Governor, having lost his Private Secretary from yellow fever, the appointment was offered to Mr. Musgrave, and he accepted it, and filled it with entire satisfaction to the Governor, and also to the public. Upon the expiration of Mr. McIntosh's term of office, Mr. Musgrave proceeded to England and kept his terms at one of the Inns of Court, with the intention of returning to Antigua and practising at the Bar; but from the strong recommendation of Mr. McIntosh, he soon was called to the public service again, by being appointed Colonial Secretary for the Island of Antigua. Here he remained until he was promoted to the Presidency of Nevis, a position previously occupied by our late lamented Governor. He was next promoted to the Government of St. Vincent; and after the expiration of his time appointed Governor of Newfoundland. While at St. Vincent he headed the Military, and suppressed an insurrection which had broken out on the part of the laborers against the planters. Mr. Musgrave's intimate acquaintance with financial matters under his father, is well known and very highly estimated at the Colonial Office in England, where he is regarded as a first-class financier. Mr. Musgrave is a widower, having been married to a daughter of Sir William Byam, Bart., of Cedar Hill, Antigua, who died six or seven years since. Mr. Musgrave is, we are informed, liberal and enlightened in his views, of superior attainments, an eloquent speaker, and an accomplished gentleman. Some doubt has been expressed as to the soundness of Mr. Musgrave on Confederation; but we want no better evidence that he is coming out to join this Colony to the Dominion than the following speech which he delivered at the opening of the Legislature of Newfoundland, on the 23rd of February last. To Governor Musgrave's influence, in fact, is due the presence, to-day, of Newfoundland in the Confederacy:—

"The great question of the expediency of union with the Dominion of Canada, still remains for your judgment Your decision upon the principles involved, and consideration of the terms under which such an arrangement will be desirable, can scarcely be longer deferred with advantage to the community with whose interests we are charged. I believe that public opinion has reached a stage which is ripe for dealing with this subject in a spirit of calm and deliberate investigation. Whatever may be the diversity of views entertained and promulgated by different parties, it cannot be disputed that the issue of this controversy must be one of signal importance to the future destinies of this community. I do not understate the magnitude of the interests involved; but I have never concealed from you my dispassionate considerations of the proposal that induces me strongly to believe that those interests will be promoted by union with the progressive communities which now form the Dominion. I have no reason to doubt what I have stated to you on former occasions, that the Government of Canada is disposed to meet, in a spirit of liberality, any suggestion which may emanate from you. The essence of any agreement which should be mutually advantageous must be its equality, and our own self-respect will prevent any demand being made by us which would place us in the position of an artificially protected dependency, when desiring to form an integral part of a trans-Atlantic portion of the British Empire, daily increasing in wealth and importance, I recommend anew the whole subject to your careful thought, in confidence that it will secure your attention. The renewal of the treaty of reciprocal trade with the United States is a matter sure to obtain the best efforts of the Government of the Dominion, for its settlement, on satisfactory terms, at no distant date; but it is useless to disregard the fact that the present financial position of the Colony precludes any hope of our being able to avail ourselves of any such arrangement, unless as forming part of the Dominion; and this circumstance alone shows the weighty character of the question we are called upon to decide. We cannot remain aloof from the union without being compelled to impose much higher taxation upon the labouring classes, for two years to come, than any likely to be raised by the Parliament of the Dominion. Before any final arrangement can be completed, opportunity will be afforded for its acceptance and ratification by the constituencies; but it rests with you, if you agree that union is desirable, to devise the best means of arriving at satisfactory terms with the Government of the Dominion. When these are concerted, the Imperial Act provides the mode of admission to the Dominion by order of Her Majesty in Council, upon such terms as shall be expressed in addresses from the Parliament of Canada and the Legislature of this Colony, and shall be approved by Her Majesty.

Friday June 18

Horrible Murder on San Juan Island.

Late yesterday afternoon Mr A Hibbard, one of the proprietors of the San Juan Island lime kiln, was shot through the head and almost instantly killed by one of his partners, mes Watts.

The dispute arose about a bed. The two men were alone in a room together, and their voices were heard raised in angry altercation for a moment before the firing.

Three or four shots were fired, the last and fatal ball, passed through Hibberd's face and into his brain. He died in ten minutes.

The pistol was held so close that the powder burned the murdered man's face. Watts was seized by the kiln men and bound.

Both men are American citizens, Hebbard was from Montreal, Canada; and was well known and liked here. Watts has farmed up country and was considered respectable.

The case will be tried by the American Military authorities,

YALE ITEMS.—During the week ending June 12, there were sent out from Yale for the upper country 63,000 pounds of goods. The *Examiner* suggests that Siwash Creek, three miles above Yale where, in 1858, much gold was found, should be tried again. Mr. T. Spence, Superintendent of Roads, has had several of the bridges and cribbing along the road thoroughly overhauled and repaired. The roads and bridges are now in first rate order for traffic.

Funeral of His Excellency Governor Seymour.

The last sad rites were paid to the remains of Governor Seymour on Wednesday and, freed from the toils and vexations of life, the body of the late chief dignatary of the Colony now reposes beneath the consecrated sward of the Naval Cemetery. The funeral was largely attended. From the city and country for miles around, there was an inpouring of people to the quiet little burgh of Esquimalt, to join in a mark of respect to the memory of the man who until a few days ago seemed to hold the destinies of the Colony in his hand.

The remains lay in state at the Naval Hospital in the Ward previously described by us, until 4 o'clock on Wednesday. The coffin was viewed by hundreds who gathered early in the day; but before the throng had become dense, the lid was removed and Mrs Seymour, supported by Doctor and Mrs. Hayman, gazed for the last time upon the features of the dead. After the departure of Mrs. Seymour and attendants the coffin was closed and the public were admitted to the room. The interest manifested was very great. The decorations which were designed superintended by Mr Lowndes were of simple yet beautiful conception. The floral offerings, which were many, tended to relieve the deep, sombre hangings of crape with which the walls were hung, and made the air redolent with perfume. Upon the coffin lid appeared in silver letters—

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FREDERICK SEYMOUR.

And nothing more. The official hat and sword lay upon the coffin, surrounded by wreaths and boquets of bright-hued flowers. Near the head, some kind hand had placed a small boquet of violets—the lowliest yet loveliest of Flora's gifts—a silent and modest, yet eloquent and touching tribute of friendship.

Shortly before 4 o'clock the Enterprise arrived from Victoria with several hundred passengers representing the Victoria Volunteer Corps, the firemen and the general public, accompanied by the Volunteer Band under leader Haynes.

Precisely at 4 o'clock the coffin was removed from the Ward and placed upon a gun-carriage drawn by sailors and escorted by a guard of honor of 50 marines from H. M. S. Satellite, under Lieut Wright. Seventeen minute guns were fired from the Satellite as the cortege moved off, the band playing the Dead March. The pall bearers were Sir James Douglas, Chief Justice Needham and Captains Edye and Mist. The mourners were Mr D C Maunsell, late Private Secretary to the Governor, Mr A. Lowndes, Hon. H M Ball and Hon, A. T. Bushby. Dr Comrie, R. N., followed as medical attendant The Administrator of Government came next The Executive and Legislative Councils, Navy, Civil Servants, Fire Brigade, Victoria Rifle Volunteers, and the public were largely represented in the line. The clergy were represented by Rev T Somerville, Presbyterian Church; Rev Mr Russ, Wesleyan Methodist Mission; and Revs P Kirley, L Haupts, and Ch Seghers of the Catholic Mission. W J Armstrong, Esq, J P, Town Councillor of New Westminster, represented that town—Mayor Holbrook joining with the Legislative Councillors. Mr Frank G. Richards represented the Fire Department of New Westminster. The distance from the Hospital to the Cemetery is about one-fourth of a mile, along a winding lane shaded on either side by thick groves of trees. As the procession moved towards the Cemetery, the declining sun bathed in a flood of gold the scene—the solemn music of the band and the slow, measured tread of the escort presenting a picture which must have charmed while it touched every heart.

"The bayonets earthward were turning,
And the drum's muffled beat rolled along;
But he heard not the sound of the mourning,
Nor awoke to the bugle's shrill call."

The melancholy cortege reached the Cemetery at twenty minutes past four and the corpse was received at the entrance by Dean Cridge, Rev Archdeacon Reece, Rev Dr Hayman, Rev Mr Autridge (Chaplain of H M S Satellite), Revs Messrs Jenns, Gribbell, Cave and Owens. The service was read by Rev Dr Hayman, the choir chanting with great effect Psalm XXXIX. The Chapel was hung with crape, and the corpse rested beneath a canopy of black cloth. The chancel was divided by a black curtain on which was inscribed a large white cross and "I. H. S." in Roman characters. Behind this curtain sat Mrs Seymour, Mrs Dr Hayman and Mrs Col Foster. After the service at the Chapel, the corpse was raised upon the shoulders of the sailors and borne to the vault, which had been prepared for the reception of the remains. Mrs Seymour, leaning on the arm of Hon A T Bushby, and accompanied by the ladies named, followed the corpse to the vault, where the customary prayers were read by the Dean, and the Archdeacon gave out the 163d hymn,

"When our heads are bowed with woe,
When the bitter tears o'erflow;
When we mourn the lost, the dead,
Jesu, Son of Mary, hear."

Which was sung by the vast assemblage. During the ceremony Mrs Seymour was greatly affected—as indeed, were all present—and after the coffin had been lowered the vault there to remain until the "last trump shall summon the quick and the dead" and the escort had fired three rounds from their Sniders over the corpse the procession reformed and returned at a quick-step to the hospital grounds wherit was dismissed.

The arrangements for the funeral, which were under the auspices of Mr. Richard Lewis, were conducted with the greatest decorum. The vault, a substantial stone structure, was constructed by Messrs Kinsman & Styles, of this City.

The Death of the Governor at New Westminster.

The news of the death of His Excellency the Governor was received at New Westminster with sincere manifestations of popular grief. Mayor Holbrook convened the City Council on Monday evening, when an address of condolence with Mrs Seymour was passed, and the Town Hall ordered to be draped in mourning for thirty days. The Hyack Fire Company also held a meeting the same evening and passed resolutions bearing upon the sad event and directing that the Hall be draped in mourning. Mayor Holbrook and Councillor W J Armstrong were appointed a deputation to present the addresses, which was done yesterday afternoon. Following are the addresses:

NEW WESTMINSTER, June 15, 1869.

MRS. SEYMOUR, *Madam*—We the undersigned members of the Municipal Council of New Westminster, have heard with deep regret and heartfelt sorrow of the loss which you have sustained by the death of your esteemed husband.

His Excellency's death cannot but be felt as a serious loss to the whole Colony, but to none more than this community amongst whom he had resided for so long a period, and who had so many opportunities of appreciating his private as well as public character.

We trust that God in his infinite mercy will enable you to bear the burden of sorrow with which it has pleased him to visit you. With the assurance of our sincerest sympathy,

We remain, Madam,
your obedient servants,

Henry Holbrook, President	H McRoberts
W J Armstrong	Christopher Lee
Geo C Clarkson	Wm Irving
James Cunningham	Daniel Withrow
T E Ladner	L Bonson
H W Smith	

Henry V Edmonds, Town Clerk.

NEW WESTMINSTER, June 15, 1869.

MRS SEYMOUR, *Madam.*—We the undersigned officers of the Fire Department of New Westminster, on behalf of all the members, do respectfully offer our sincere condolence for the great loss you have sustained in the sudden death of your beloved husband, His Excellency Governor Seymour.

In the death of His Excellency the Fire Company of this City have lost a warm and attached friend, for all had learned to appreciate his private as well as his public worth; but our loss is nothing to yours. We pray that God in his infinite mercy may give you strength to bear the great sorrow with which your are afflicted.

William Johnson, Chief Engineer & Actg Capt
David Withrow, Assistant Engineer
Geo C Clarkson, 1st Lieut
Thos Walsh, 2d Lieut
John S Clute, Treasurer
H Burr, Secretary

Will of Governor Seymour.

The will of his late Excellency was opened and read yesterday morning. It bequeaths a certain sum to his brother, Major General Seymour, equerry to the Prince of Wales, and all the remainder—with the exception of a legacy of £400 to Mr Lowndes—to Mrs Seymour. Hon A T Bushby is the executor.

FROM WHITE PINE.—Mr I B Nason, [from Meacham and Nason], of William Creek, who returned on the G S Wright, gives a gloomy picture of matters at White Pine. He saw there John Adair, Hilton, R Davis, W Turner, W E Boone, Gillete, Major Downie and many other Cariboo-ites. All speak badly of the country except Mr Anair, who *thought* he had a good thing. Not a single Cariboo-ite so far as our informant saw, had made a dollar. They have a queer law there. A man can locate a claim and hold it for a two weeks without doing a stroke of work; and if he performs two days' work he can hold it without touching it for a year. Eight men repreesenting eight companies of San Francisco capitalists hold an entire district in this way and are sitting down awaiting the results of assays and experiments. Our informant was at the mines six weeks, during which time the half of the miners left for home, greatly disappointed.

Funeral of Commander the Honorable Horace Douglas Lascelles, R. N.

The funeral of the gentleman whose name heads this paragraph took place yesterday afternoon from the Naval Hospital at Esquimalt. The body lay in state in the same room to which Governor Seymour's remains were carried after coming ashore, and were visited during the day by the fellow-officers of the deceased and many citizens. At three o'clock a detachment of Marines from H. M. S. Satellite, under Lieut. Wright, was drawn up as an escort, and the body placed upon a gun-carriage. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Capt. Mist, H. M. S. Sparrowhawk; Lieut. Comdg. Larcom, H. M. gunboat Forward; Lieut. Osborn, H. M. S. Satellite; Hon. J. S. Helmcken; Hon. D. B. Ring, and P. Wakeman, Esq. J. J. Southgate, Esq., a devoted friend of the deceased, walked as chief mourner, and Capt. Edye, R. N., and the medical attendants—Dr. Comrie, of H. M. S. Sparrowhawk, and Dr. Trimble, Mayor of Victoria—together with many naval officers and citizens followed. Among the gentlemen residents in the procession we observed Roderick Finlayson, Chief Factor of the H. B. Co.; James Gillon, Manager of the Bank of British North America; George Pearkes, Esq., Capt. Edward Stamp, J. C. Nicholson, Esq., Robt. Bishop, Esq., Dr. Tuzo, C. W. Wallace, Esq. T. C. Nuttall, Esq., A. J. Langley, Esq., R. Burnaby, Esq., James Lowe, Esq., Lumley Franklin, Esq, Kenneth McKenzie, Esq, Thomas Harris, Esq., W. S. S. Green, Esq., J. S. Spark, Esq, Naval Storekeeper, Esquimalt station, and many others. The procession passed up the road to the cemetery, where the body was met by Rev. Mr. Autridge, Chaplain of H. M. S. Satellite, and Rev. Frank Gribbell, Rector of St. Paul's Esquimalt, and conducted into the Chapel, where the Church of England burial service was read. The coffin was then carried to the vault, and after the usual ceremony had been gone through, and three volleys fired over the grave, the assemblage slowly departed. Mr. Lascelles was a young officer of much promise, and combined with many other good qualities an amiability of disposition which endeared him to all who knew him, and his loss is much regretted in this community. The remains of Capt. Lascelles were placed in the vault to await orders from home respecting final disposition.

THE appointment of Mr Musgrave as Governor in place of Mr Seymour, appears to have been decided upon at the Colonial Office some months ago, and it seems that the late Mr Seymour was aware of the intention. Mr Musgrave having written out respecting certain articles belonging to Mr Seymour which he (Mr Musgrave) thought he would require here. Mr Seymour, we understand, designed returning in November next, on leave of absence. He did not intend to return, and as by that time he would have earned his pension, he would undoubtedly have retired from the Colonial Service. Fate willed, however, otherwise. The Colonial Office appears to have given Mr Musgrave brief notice; and his promptitude in responding to the call is one of the best recommendations the practical people of this Colony could have of his fitness for the position.

LOCAL BREVITIES.—The steamer George S Wright came in on Wednesday afternoon from P d, Oregon, with 20 passengers and a splendid freight.....Frank Campbell sprained his ankle badly in jumping on board the Enterprise o V ll y afternoon. The newspapers will miss him..... The petition for the pardon of H enry White, will be presented to the Administrator of the Government on Monday. It would be a gracious act if Mr Hankin were to grant the prayer....The Gussie Telfair returned from the Sound yesterday afternoon and will sail for Portland at daylight this morning.

THE H. B. Co. have on their wharf at Esquimalt a tank, capable of holding 25,000 gallons over which they intend to build a shed, and in which they propose to keep fish oil and barrel it off as required for shipment.

ON the last trip down of the Lillooet, Capt Fleming learned at Hope that excellent news had reached there from Rock Creek, by a person who had just arrived in town. The country along the Fraser is suffering for want of water.

DIRECT STEAMER.—A telegram from San Francisco announces that the steamer Active will sail for Victoria direct this evening.

THE ship Isaac Jeans, laden with Nanaimo coal for San Francisco, was towed down yesterday morning by the steamer Emma.

It is believed that Mrs Seymour will depart for England in the course of a fortnight.