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Millionaire Driven To Suicide

BY WORRY.
St. John's, Man., August 4.—Mr. Stewart, aged 49, one of the most prominent financiers in Western Canada, founder of the National Trust

Company, Limited, Winnipeg, and formerly director and manager of that institution, was found by his wife on Saturday lying on a couch with a bullet hole through his temple, and a .32 calibre revolver lying on his breast.

Mr. Stewart had been complaining recently of heart trouble, and worrying considerably over imaginary finan-

cial troubles, which is the only cause that can be assigned for taking his own life. At the time of his death Mr. Stewart was rated at \$1,000,000.

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Mosquito Bites Cause of Death.

Toronto, Aug. 6.—Dalton Woodside, a 13 year old boy, living at 395 Lansdowne avenue, died yesterday afternoon in the Western Hospital when lockjaw poisoning, which had been in his veins for more than a week, penetrated to the point where it affected the heart action.

The circumstances of the boy's infection are declared to be most peculiar by Dr. Wm. Kerr, who was called in to attend him last Friday. No cut or open sore such as usually precedes an attack of tetanus was to be found, but the boy's legs were covered with mosquito bites dating from a fishing trip to Orillia, from which place he returned over a week ago. The bites are said to be the cause of death.

BRINK OPEN. — The Roller Rink will open for the season on Monday, August 11th, at 7.30 p.m. Admission 10c. Skates—Gent's, 15c.; Ladies, 10c. aug 8

Conserves the Water.

The Beaver is the Best Friend the Rancher Has.

Old ranchmen in the Northwest tell how the busy little dam-builder served as a conservationist in the pioneer days of the cattle trail. The beaver was, indeed, so highly esteemed that, it is said, no rancher would have hesitated to give the best steer in his herd to save the life of a single beaver.

Everybody knows that the beavers build dams. These they construct to provide against hunger in the winter when everything green that serves them as food has lost its sap and nutritious qualities. The beaver subsists on the bark of cottonwood and willow and other succulent barks, and to be of service to him as food these barks must be kept fresh and full of life.

The beaver's instinct informs him that this can be done by keeping them submerged in water, and so he dams the shallow currents of streams so that the collected water above the dam will form a deep pool and overflow his store of shrubs and limbs thus keeping them fresh and "sappy." They being driven into the soft bottom of the pond. The wise little creature is fully aware that he must anchor them there upright and keep them intact until they are needed for use in the colony's commissariat.

This remarkable instinct of the beaver interested the ranchmen, since water is a constant necessity on the cattle trails in the dry climate of the West. In the old days there were more beavers in the Northwest than anywhere else in the country. By building their dams wherever they might be they caused the water supply in that region to be hoarded as it could be in no other way, since in those days storage dams and irrigation operations had not been adopted.

The storing of the water by the beavers just suited the cattlemen, and so, while the other game and fur-bearing animals were being exterminated, the beaver was assured of the friendship and protection of the ranchmen so far as it was in their power to extend. The beavers, seemed, indeed, to be aware of this fact, for in the range of country they carried on their industrial operation fearlessly in close proximity to human habitations. Old ranchmen have watched colonies of beavers by the hour in their work of constructing dams. No person who has not enjoyed this sight can form any conception of the amazing genius for engineering that guides this animal in its toil.

In choosing a place for the building of a dam across a stream beavers first consider the condition of the current. If it is sluggish the dam will be thrown straight across from bank to bank. If the current be rapid the dam is built on a curve. A soft-bottom spot is always chosen. The timbers for the dam are cut by the beavers at some point up the stream, trees of the proper size and slender saplings being felled by them with the facility of an axeman, cut into the desired lengths, and floated down to the site of the dam by the members of the colony set to the accomplishment of that task.

The engineers and constructors take the timbers as they come down and utilize them without a moment's delay. A beaver is not able to stay under water for a period exceeding five minutes, yet an old and experienced dam-builder will seize a piece of timber that has been cut for the purpose, pierce the bottom with it, and by some skilful manipulation unknown to man fix it upright and solid on the muddy bottom in the few minutes he can work beneath the surface.

War Medal for Duchess Nurse.

Rome, Aug. 4.—An interesting ceremony took place in the Bay of Naples on board the "Bandeolo" when, in the presence of the authorities and a large gathering of the aristocracy, medals were given to the nurses, members of the Red Cross Society, and the Order of Malta, who served on board the hospital ship Messala and Re Italia during the Italo-Turkish war.

Among the nurses were the daughters of Admiral Faravelli and the Duchess d'Aosta, who during the whole time their ship was in commission worked competently and indefatigably, tending the sick and wounded with unselfish devotion. The Duchess, in her white uniform with the Red Cross on her bodice, stood in line with the other nurses and was the first called to receive a medal from her husband, the Duke, who saluted her and asked her to remain by his side while her companions received their medals.

The Duke and Duchess took luncheon with the staff and guests after the ceremony, and when the Duchess, still in her nurse's dress and with her medal displayed, departed in a motor car with her husband, the crowd waiting on the shore saluted her with enthusiasm.

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