

PIONEER DIES FULL OF YEARS

SETTLED HERE IN DAYS OF GOLD RUSH

James Eliphalet McMillan, ex-Mayor ex-Sheriff, and Newspaper Man, Passes Away.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

One of the oldest of old-timers in the city of Victoria, in the person of J. E. McMillan, passed away late last night at 138 Cormorant street. He was 82 years of age, and until a little over five years ago he had been connected with the public life of the city.

The pioneer, whose death is announced after a period of ill-health which compelled him to resign the office of sheriff, five years ago, was born on July 25th at Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, in the year 1825. His father, James McMillan, was a member of the Irish, and was for many years a gallant officer in the 89th Regiment, in which he served through the Napoleonic campaign of 1812. He was present at all the important battles on the Niagara peninsula, and at the battle of Lundy's Lane he was the only officer of his company left alive at the close.

The mother of the deceased was Millicent McMillan, a native of Toronto. Ex-Sheriff McMillan was educated in the public and high school of Toronto, where he afterwards served a six years' apprenticeship to the printing business. In 1844 he removed to Galt, Ontario, and issued the first paper published there. Subsequently he published the Messenger in Bowmanville, Ontario, from 1852 to 1859, when he came to Victoria.

In 1860 he became assistant editor of the Colonist, which post he occupied for six months. At the end of that time he located in New Westminster, where he had charge of the Columbian for three years. He then returned to this city, and in company with D. W. Higgins, lately editor of the Vancouver World, he started the Victoria Chronicle, of which he was editor for about two years. He afterwards returned to New Westminster, having purchased a half interest in the Columbian, but the establishment having been destroyed by fire he again settled in this city. Here he established the Daily News in the interest of reform in the one-man system of government, which at that time prevailed.

His success as a newspaper man was marked, and he did much to make British Columbia better known throughout the Dominion.

He was appointed sheriff for Victoria county in 1884, which office he successfully filled for upwards of 17 years. He also was an ex-mayor of the city.

Deceased was a member of the Methodist church and of the I. O. O. F. He was married on February 23, 1847, to Louisa Hore, daughter of Mr. Joseph Hore, of Oshawa, Ontario. He had one son, R. H. McMillan, of the city, and one daughter, Mrs. M. H. Watkins, and seven grand children.

The funeral will take place on Friday at 2:30 p. m. from the residence on Cormorant street, and later from the Metropolitan Methodist church. Rev. G. K. B. Adams will officiate.

IMPROVING YARDS. Plans Prepared For C. P. R. Improvements in Vancouver.

Improvements are to be made in the C. P. R. yards on the waterfront in Vancouver, in accordance with plans prepared by F. F. Busted, general superintendent of the railway, says the Province. Up to the present time the yard was never actually laid out in tracks save in respect to the main line and the track adjoining it on the south side of the yard. Many tracks have been laid in the yard but all were of a temporary nature and were put down during the progress of filling in operations.

Now the tracks are to be laid out permanently. Some of the short tracks already down in the west end of the yard will be left in position and connected with tracks to be run from the eastern end. When the tracks are joined there will be about a dozen long ones which will give a clear run straight through the yard and make possible the handling of long trains of cars with ease.

SUCCESSORS TO INJURIES. Well Known Journalist Died in New York.

New York, Aug. 13.—Fred Nye, brother of the late Bill Nye, and an assistant editor of the Sunday World, died to-day of injuries received by being struck by a trolley car last night. Mr. Nye had written many humorous poems, and the book of the comic opera, "The King and the Broker," which was produced in the west. He was formerly on the staff of the Chicago Herald.

CHALLENGES BURNS. Al. Kaufman Ready to Meet Him in Fight for Title.

San Francisco, Aug. 12.—So confident is Billy Deane that his protégé, Al. Kaufman, will defeat Mike Schreck in the coming battle that he called on Burns and challenged him for a battle for the title. Burns evaded the issue, said he would wait until he saw the outcome of the Schreck go, and remarked if he went in the ring in the near future it would be either with Johnson or Jeffries. He intimated that he intended to challenge Jeffries soon.

LABORERS INJURED. Chicago, Ill., Aug. 13.—Ten men were injured, one of them fatally, by the explosion of a gas tank to-day at 11st street and South Chicago avenue, all being laborers.

MAIDEN VOYAGE. New York, Aug. 13.—The new North German Lloyd liner Kron Prinz-Eselen Ceclio arrived in New York to-day after her first voyage across the Atlantic, having made the run from Cherbourg in 5 days 22 hours and 45 minutes, maintaining an average speed of 21.81 knots an hour.

ABSURD CLAIM REGARDING MINT. Bullion from the Smelter at Trail Employed in Coinage for the Philippines

A dispatch from Ottawa says: "A remarkable situation has developed here in connection with the Canadian branch of the royal mint, which it is proposed to open not later than November. Statements emanating from official sources have been published to the effect that the profits on the coinage of Canadian silver would average fifty per cent, and that apart from the sentimental value of having a Canadian mint, it would be a source of considerable revenue to the country. It would appear, however, that while under certain conditions these claims might be justified, the department of mines has been neglecting to provide an essential adjunct to the mint, with the result that the profits figure on silver will be reduced to a minimum, if not entirely wiped out. It is essential that ore for the coinage of silver should be refined by what is known as the electrolytic process.

"It is claimed that it was clearly intimated to the department, that if the sentimental object in the establishment of a mint was to be developed, a logical conclusion it would be necessary to establish at once an electrolytic refinery in Canada. This has been neglected, with the result that when the mint opens silver will have to be sent to the United States, there refined and shipped back to Canada, entailing heavy expense. It is possible that the mint may be able to utilize copper which contains some bronze from the smelter at Trail, B. C., but this is doubtful.

"It is said that Cobalt silver, if treated by the electrolytic process, is suitable for the manufacture of coinage and that one million ounces of it might be used by the mint annually." The above dispatch is a pure fallacy, and ignores altogether the existence in British Columbia of an industry which has assumed big proportions, namely the silver refinery at Trail.

G. O. Buchanan, when he read the dispatch this morning, expressed surprise that such statements should be given currency. He said: "The lead bullion produced by the smelters at Trail and at Nelson is refined at Trail by the electrolytic process and the resultant product, both in silver and in lead is of a remarkable degree of fineness exceeding any before produced. "I do not know how much silver the mint requires, but the production at Trail refinery must, at the present time, be running to about one million ounces per annum, which would make about one million and a quarters' worth of silver available, that exist there in a home production.

"A stock of this silver on hand at San Francisco three or four years ago was purchased by the United States Government from some Ontario correspondents of mine, the sample submitted having excelled in purity any other sample submitted. It is likely that the person responsible for the management of our mint, have the Trail output in view in their calculation for their bullion supply.

The suggestion that the government has failed to establish an electrolytic refinery in anticipation of the needs of the mint, is interesting in view of the fact that the successful electrolytic refinery at Trail was established four years ago, and was assisted by the government's lead-bounty policy.

OLD BUILDINGS TO BE REMOVED. STEPS TAKEN BY CIVIC OFFICIALS. Property Owners Are Notified to Attend Next Meeting of the City Council.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) To-day notices are being sent out to those property owners whose buildings have been condemned by the city assessor in default of the next meeting of the civic council for the purpose of showing cause why the buildings should not be condemned. In all cases where insufficient reasons are given for the preservation of these old premises, an order will be made demanding the destruction of the building within five days. In default of the city authorities will have the building destroyed and will assess the cost against the owner.

COMPETITOR WITH ALL-RED LINE. TRANS-SIBERIAN ROAD WILL BE IMPROVED. Japanese Making Arrangements with Russian Government for Transportation of Mail

Ottawa, Aug. 13.—According to reports from Canadian Trade Agent Maclean, of Yokohama, the Pacific end of the proposed "all red" line will find the Russia Trans-Siberian route a serious competitor. Mr. Maclean points out that the Japanese government is favorably inclined to the superior advantages of the Russian overland route for transportation of mails to Europe as compared with the Suez and C. P. R. routes and is making arrangements with the Russian government for a mail service between the Far East and European cities via the Siberian railway.

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A considerable number of property owners are protesting against the council's action in projecting the removal of so many old buildings. The list prepared by the city assessor is much larger than is expected, and has provoked something in the way of a revelation to the aldermen.

Mayor Morley stated to the Times to-day that the destruction of these old shacks was imperative. Not only were they eyesores of the worst kind, and thus a bad advertisement to the city, but they were a standing danger in case of fire. He thought the council had made a very good move in the way of improving the city's appearance when it ordered the demolition of the old buildings named in the assessor's report.

There is a belief held by many people that the council took this action in consequence of the recent fire, but this opinion is false. About two months ago the Mayor suggested that the city assessor prepare a report on all the old buildings in the city which should be demolished. The amount of work entailed in the preparation of the report, coming, too, at a busy time of the year, delayed it for several weeks, with the result that it did not come before the aldermen until last Monday evening.

BRINGS MONEY FOR INVESTMENT. English Mine Manager Decides to Take up Residence in This Province.

Winnipeg, Aug. 12.—Wm. A. Campbell, of Houghton Springs, Durham, England, arrived in the city to-day and later left for Fernie, where he has accepted an important position with the mines. For the past ten years he has been engaged in the management of coal mines in Durham, which is one of the principal mining counties in Britain, and his father has large interests in mines there. Mr. Campbell himself comes out with capital for investment, and has been partly attracted to settle in British Columbia because of its beautiful climate.

LIFE IMPRISONMENT. Death Sentence on "Lord" Barrington Has Been Commuted.

St. Louis, Aug. 12.—The death sentence pronounced against "Lord" Barrington has been commuted to life imprisonment. Barrington was convicted of killing James P. McMan, a well known horseman. It has been fighting for clemency for four years. Barrington is known as the bogus As he is a British subject, the English consul here has made a strong protest in Barrington's behalf.

CANADIAN'S DEATH. Bradford, Eng., Aug. 14.—The body of Dr. Henry D. Gibbons, principal of the university at Lennoxville, Canada, was found to-day in a tunnel of the Midland railroad.

Dr. Gibbons was on a visit to his parents who reside here and it is supposed that he was run over while walking on the railroad track.

SAILORS SAFE. Fourteen Members of Crew of German Steamer Reported to Be Alive.

Hamburg, Aug. 13.—A dispatch received here from Maska, Arabia, declared that a British gunboat came into port and reports that the missing members of the crew of the German steamer Teutonia are asserted in native quarters to be safe and making their way overland, toward Maska. The Teutonia was wrecked July 20th near Ras Madrat, Arabia, and sixteen members of the crew, who got away on boats, were supposed to have perished.

REGINA POISONING CASE. Cyrus Winters Died in Hospital—The Second Death.

Regina, Aug. 12.—Cyrus Winters, one of the men poisoned in connection with the Capital restaurant on Thursday, died at the Victoria hospital this morning, being the second death recorded up to the present.

Mack Sing, the Chinese who brought the poisoned meal to the restaurant, was examined to-day at the hospital. He professed to know nothing of any infusion of poison in the oatmeal, and declared he was merely a servant and not a partner of the fugitive Charlie Mack, whom the police are still trying to find.

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TRIED TO KILL DIVORCED WIFE. Would-Be Murderer Then Ended His Own Life—Woman May Die.

Seattle, Aug. 13.—Alexander J. McKenzie, a carpenter, about 45 years old, this morning shot and perhaps fatally injured his divorced wife, Alma McKenzie, at her home, 919 Jackson street, and then committed suicide with the same revolver. His death was practically instantaneous, the bullet plunging its way entirely through his brain, entering at a point just above the right temple.

Mrs. McKenzie was also shot in the right forearm. Mrs. McKenzie is now at Wayside Emergency hospital, and scarcely any hope is entertained for her recovery. Alma McKenzie, a daughter, 18 years old, was an eye-witness to the tragedy. She said to-day that her mother was cooking on the kitchen stove at about 10:30 o'clock when her father opened the door, having approached the house from the rear. As he stepped in he gave a hysterical laugh and shouted: "Now is the time to end it all!"

Instantly he pulled a revolver from his coat pocket and as Mrs. McKenzie turned toward the door he fired two shots in quick succession. One struck Mrs. McKenzie's arm and the other her head. She fell to the floor with a scream.

Alma leaped toward her father and attempted to grab the revolver which he was turning toward his own head. Seeing that she would interfere with his plans, McKenzie took the weapon and struck the girl a blow on the head, knocking her to the floor. Then he placed the muzzle to his head, just above the right temple, and fired twice, both bullets plunging through the brain. He fell dead in his tracks.

The McKenzies were married twenty years ago. Seven children were born to them. McKenzie had been calling at his wife's home and attempting to make trouble. Yesterday, Alma McKenzie says, her father went to Luna Park, where the daughter is employed. There she exhibited a revolver, saying he intended to kill her mother and himself. The threat had been made so often before, the girl said to-day, that she did not treat it seriously.

MURDERER'S SUICIDE. Good, Who Killed Emma Levin, Hanged Himself in Prison.

London, Aug. 12.—In a dispatch from Marseilles a correspondent of the Telegraph says that Vere St. Leger Good, the confessed murderer of Emma Levin, has hanged himself in prison.

SASKATCHEWAN JUDICIARY ACT. WILL COME INTO EFFECT NEXT MONTH. Provides for Supreme Court for the Province—Establishment of District Courts.

Regina, Aug. 14.—It is understood a proclamation will be issued shortly bringing into force certain acts passed at the last session of the legislature.

By the terms of the acts their coming into force was postponed, but probably the raising of an Episcopal endowment fund for his diocese. He spoke at most of the annual May meetings and preached in a great many of the principal churches.

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MURDERED MAN IDENTIFIED. Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 13.—The unknown man found murdered in Minneapolis on Sunday has been identified. He is Martin Julean. Martin has been missing from home since Saturday, when with \$50 in his pocket, he started down town. Later in the evening he was seen walking with a girl on Washington avenue. No one has been found who saw him later alive.

THE STRIKE OF TELEGRAPHERS. AN APPEAL TO BE MADE TO ROOSEVELT. President Will Be Asked to Use His Personal Influence to Settle Trouble.

Chicago, Aug. 13.—The directors of the Chicago board of trade to-day authorized the president of the board to appeal to President Roosevelt to use his personal influence toward effecting a settlement of the telegraphers' strike. In Boston.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 13.—When the time for the night force to come on at the main office of the Western Union Company arrived at 5:30, twenty of the forty-five men regularly employed, made their appearance, according to the statement of Manager Allen Woodley. Of the force of 118 men which went on strike at noon, the company claims to have filled eighty places.

At the Postal to-night, the 11 men who remained at their keys when the strike was called were worked all-time to clear up the work. The night force which comes at 5:30 o'clock consists of about 15 men. Only four showed up. Messages to New York were being handled rapidly by an automatic telegraph instrument.

The Postal and Western Union operators at Worcester are out. The wire service of the Associated Press in New England was intact to-night with the exception of four points.

NEWFOUNDLAND FISHERIES. St. Johns, Nfld., Aug. 13.—Important dispatches are passing between the colonial and imperial cabinets respecting the renewal of last year's Anglo-American fisheries agreement known as the modus vivendi, with additional clauses.

THE MEETING OF KING AND KAISER. Germans Regard King Edward's Visit to Emperor William as a Happy Augury

Berlin, Aug. 13.—The utmost interest is displayed in all circles in Berlin in the meeting to-morrow at Wilhelmshohe between King Edward and Emperor William.

Members of the government welcome King Edward's second visit to the meeting to-morrow and the German Emperor in the course of a year as a happy augury of future relations between the two nations and it is considered that the meeting to-morrow takes on added importance, coming as it does immediately after the meeting of Emperor Nicholas of Russia and the Emperor William at Swinemunde and but a few days before the conference between King Edward and Emperor Francis Joseph at Isch. These evidences of the friendly intercourse between the sovereign monarchs, it is thought, will tend greatly toward the promotion of better feeling between the people of the various nations concerned.

ROSEBERY'S ATTACK. Denounces the Government's Scottish Small Land Owners Bill.

London, Aug. 13.—Lord Rosebery in the House of Lords to-night delivered an able speech against the government. He denounced the government's Scottish small land owners bill. Lord Rosebery declared he wished the government well, but he ridiculed its efforts to legislate for Scotland.

MET WITH SUCCESS. Bishop Stringer Tells of His Visit to England and Ireland.

Winnipeg, Aug. 13.—The Right Rev. I. O. Stringer, Bishop of Selkirk, interviewed concerning his visit to England and Ireland, from which he is returning, gave interesting accounts thereof.

Bishop Stringer spent seven months in England, from December 1st to July 1st, and engaged most of the time in preaching and delivering public addresses.

At first he labored without much encouragement. He attributes this to the fact that he was unknown, while the English are somewhat conservative, but after a time many openings were presented, and he was so greatly encouraged that he was kept busy Sundays and week days preaching and telling of his work.

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Frederickton, N. B., Aug. 13.—Wm. Mitchell, an elderly man, who had been an inmate of the almshouse for the past year, met a tragic death yesterday. While sitting at a table eating his dinner a piece of meat lodged in his throat, and all efforts to dislodge it proved fruitless, and he died before medical attendance could be secured. He was about fifty years of age.

Winnipeg, Aug. 13.—Judge Dawson, circuit court judge for the county of Winnipeg, took the oath of office and allegiance to-day.

Auto Buses Withdrawn. Calgary, Aug. 13.—To-day auto buses made their last regular trip for some time at least. They have not been the success that was expected of them, either by promoters or by citizens.

Edmonton, Aug. 13.—While walking on Jasper avenue Herman Beck, a visitor to the city, was shot in the right leg by some person who accidentally discharged a gun at a shooting gallery on Jasper avenue. There is no trace to the offender.

Ottawa, Aug. 13.—Earl Grey is expected back in Ottawa on August 25th, and will leave the following day for Toronto to open the industrial exhibition.

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Montreal, Aug. 13.—Edwd. Holton, K. C., ex-M. P., died at his residence here this morning. He was the only son of the late Hon. L. H. Holton, and succeeded his father as member of the Dominion parliament for Chateaugay. He had practiced law in Montreal ever since he had been called to the bar, and was well known in the city and province through a legal and political services. His wife survives him.

Receives Scholarship. Montreal, Aug. 13.—Herbert Jennings Rose, a Rhodes scholar from McGill University, has been appointed to a tutorial scholarship in Exeter College, Oxford. Mr. Rose is a son of Rev. S. P. Rose, D. D., pastor of Broadway Methodist church, Winnipeg.

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