

Regimental No. 133, ex-Constable G. C. King

Ex-Constable G. C. King, who died at Calgary on July 18th, 1935, was eighty-seven years of age and had been in ill-health for some weeks.

On April 29th, 1874, he joined this Force and three years later, on June 15th, 1877, took his discharge. He was one of the first members of the Force to set foot in Calgary. Upon resigning from the Northwest Mounted Police, this ex-Constable entered the business life of the new settlement and, in 1885, became Calgary's first Postmaster, which position he held for 36 years.

Mr. King and his wife, who survives him, were Calgary's first host and hostess by virtue of their being the first married couple in the settlement. Last November they observed their 55th wedding anniversary. Mrs. King was born in Winnipeg, the daughter of a pioneer western trader, and was married in Calgary in 1897.

At Calgary's 50th birthday celebrations last year Mr. King was honoured in recognition of his early service; he was also named a member of the Order of the British Empire in the King's honours list of New Year's, 1935.

Regimental No. 1181, ex-Constable W. McNair

William McNair died at Melfort, Sask., on July 14th, 1935.

McNair engaged in the North West Mounted Police at Ottawa, Ont., on April 17th, 1885, and took his discharge from the Force at Battleford on April 16th, 1885, having been stationed at Regina, Fort Macleod and Battleford.

McNair was born in Wakefield, Que., and, prior to engaging in the Force, was a member of the Contingent of Canadian Canoemen organized by Lord Wolseley in 1883 for service on the Upper Nile for which service he received the medals awarded by Queen Victoria, also the Khedive of Egypt. He also received the North-West Canada medal for service with the N. W. M. Police in the Rebellion.

Burial took place at Melfort on July 17th, and members of the Force stationed at that point attended.

Regimental No. 1890, ex-Constable J. C. Routhier

Jean Charles Routhier, son of the late Chief Justice of Quebec, passed away at Pincher Creek, Alberta, on August 18th, 1935, at the age of 70 years. He was a highly respected resident of the Pincher Creek District.

The late Mr. Routhier was born at St. Louis Kamouraska, Quebec, and in 1884 at the age of 19 years, enlisted in the Sixty-Fifth Quebec Regiment, serving with that Unit in the Northwest Rebellion the following year.

On December 23rd, 1886, he engaged in the Northwest Mounted Police at Prince Albert, and on April 21st, 1890 purchased his discharge for the purpose of taking up land southwest of Pincher Creek, Alberta. Later, he extended his farming and ranching operations and became a rancher on a large scale.

Interment was made in the Pincher Creek Cemetery.
