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KELETON FOUND NEAR MISPEC MAY BE THAT OF ROBERT HORN.

ece Missing from the Skull Suggests Violence—Head Detached from Spine—The Story of Horn's Disappearance -- Pipe and Shoes May Lead to Identification.

A skeleton, possibly that of Robert Horn, formerly of Exmouth street, was found a mile inside the wilderness below Mispec on Sunday afternoon.

The condition of the skull indicates that death may have been due to violence.

The discovery was made by a lad named Thomas, while herding cattle in an out-the-way place, far from human habitation in the dreary wilderness country. DAY—Knees were drawn up and the body ber 2 lain upon its back for several years John L MacGeor the shelter of a huge rock, while Hare, E sh was gradually replaced by moss. PARTL skeleton was intact, save for a piece of the br from the skull. Millbrook. Frank Ba er Berryman was notified early garet J. 14 morning and accompanied the ho apprised him of the discovery scene. The coroner says that this the skull which is missing is the CAREY— spicious circumstance in the case. Carey, in all of an adult is quite solid, and of Tipper tural divisions become so closely MAHOO ed that in order to disconnect such Aug. 29 ion as is missing from that of this wife and on considerable violence would be SPEL sary. From examination of the teeth, Charles age, lee r Berryman would place the man's ter and in the vicinity of 55 years. loss. the whitened leg bones of the skeleLITT were found a pair of leather rumber city, n knee boots, in good repair, which lam been half soled shortly before the mo eath of their owner, and alongside lay a mmon, cheap pipe, with a rubber stem d wooden pyramidal bowl.

These are the only features from which entification could follow. Small scraps f clothing would indicate that the man ore dark clothes.

Doctor Berryman left instructions for the remains to be buried after the lapse of a certain period of time in which they may be identified.

The fact that the skull was found with a large piece missing from it, and lying several feet away from the body, is regarded as significant.

It will be remembered that about five years ago a man named Robert Horn, of Exmouth street, who was an enthusiastic fisherman, set out for Enchanted Lake, near Mispec, in the wilderness country, accompanied by his dog and carrying with him a fishing outfit.

Several days after he was last seen the dog came back to civilization in a starving condition. Parties immediately set out to search for Horn, and the country surrounding the place where he was last known to be was thoroughly and systematically searched, but no traces of his whereabouts could be found. An attempt was made to have the dog retrace his steps, but the animal would not do so.

At last all hope was abandoned and nothing has since been heard of Robert Horn.

A few years ago, a badly decomposed body was found in the wilderness, but by means of clothes it was indisputably identified as a Boston man.

The vicinity in which the skeleton was found on Sunday last is 10 or 12 miles away from where Horn was supposed to be lost, yet it might be quite possible that he wandered that far in his unavailing attempts to reach a settlement.

The skeleton, Doctor Berryman says, is about the same height as Horn was reported to be, and from the examination of the teeth would appear to be that of a man about the same age. Horn was an inveterate smoker and a pipe was found beside the skeleton.

No positive identification has yet been possible.

JOHN C. BEST OF SACKVILLE GOES TO EXECUTION CALMLY, WITHOUT A WORD.

For the Murder of His Employer in 1900, New Brunswicker Died Tuesday in Charlestown Prison--No Known Statement, But Minister Has Letter to His Relatives.

Boston, Sept. 9—John C. Best was put to death by electricity this morning at Charlestown state prison at 12.22 o'clock, paying the supreme penalty of the law for the murder of George E. Bailey, of Saugus, Oct. 8, 1900.

He walked to the chair unassisted, and sat down composedly, assisted the guards in confining his hands and legs and submitted the shock in perfect composure. He had no word to say at the end, uttered a groan, and was pronounced dead at 7 a. m.

The prisoner made no formal confession that is yet extant. The Rev. Mr. Melineh, however, has a long letter to his relatives, the contents of which he was not at liberty to divulge in anticipation of its delivery.

The venerable clergyman added, however, that he believed Best died a good Christian. He was courageous to the last, spoke cheerfully and hopefully of his future, hoped to be forgiven for any wrongs he had done, and appeared to be as well prepared for death as a man could be.

Best belonged to Sackville (N. B.)

The crime for which John C. Best suffered death was the particularly atrocious murder on October 8, 1900, of his employer and supposed friend, George E. Bailey, manager of a Saugus farm, and whose dismembered body was found in two separate sacks, floating in a nearby pond, about 10 days later.

A searching investigation disclosed the fact that Best had had a quarrel with Bailey over a woman, who left the farm two weeks before Bailey disappeared.

A strong effort was made to have the verdict set aside on the ground that one of the jurors was deaf, but the supreme court and subsequently the governor refused to entertain the claim.

So far as known, Best never confessed to the crime, and during his last days was particularly bitter and resentful. It is believed that the murder was committed on the farm; Best subsequently cutting up the body and sinking it in the pond.

PE COLONY MINISTRY DEFEATED.

tish Representation Outvoted by Members of Afrikander Bond.

London, Sept. 7—The Cape Town correspondent of the Times says the most important division thus far in the session of the Cape parliament was taken in the assembly Thursday.

On a private member's motion for the appointment of a select committee to inquire into the position and emoluments of teachers, M. Theron, the chairman of the Afrikander Bond, moved in amendment that the scope of inquiry be extended to include the powers of the school committees. The ministry opposed the amendment, which, however, was carried 41 to 27. There was no cross voting.

The correspondent says the importance of the division lies in Sir John Spigg's reported assurance that he had an ample majority. Yet on a question where the ministry, the Suspensionists, the anti-Suspensionists, all British members agreed, were defeated by a majority of 14.

The question arises, how could Sir John Spigg state that he had an assured majority?

Sir Wilfrid Goes to Switzerland.

London, Sept. 8.—(Special)—Sir Wilfrid Laurier has gone to Switzerland. He will remain 10 days at Lucerne and then proceed to Rome.

MANITOBA'S GIANT WHEAT CROP READY.

High Average Indicates a Yield of Fifty Millions.

Winnipeg, Sept. 8—(Special)—Deliveries of wheat along C. P. R. in Manitoba and the West Saturday totalled 22,560 bushels. About 55 per cent of this was No. 1 hard and 40 per cent No. 1 northern, the remainder grading No. 1 northern or lower.

This is an excellent average in quality and if it is maintained the value of this year's crop will be close to 50,000,000.

The weather continues generally fair and cool. A few scattered showers have delayed threshing operations somewhat. In some districts very little now remains to be cut. Lack of farm hands delays threshing.

SUNDAY LAW CASE.

Lord's Day Alliance of Toronto Will Carry It to Privy Council.

Toronto, Sept. 8—(Special)—The Lord's Day Alliance will take the Lord's Day case to the Privy Council by way of appeal from the judgment of the Court of Appeals. A formal order was taken out today at Osgood Hall. The court of appeal held that the dominion and not province had power to pass Sabbath day legislation.

MAGAZINE BLOWS UP AND SHAKES BOSTON.

Explosion on Governor's Island in Upper Harbor; Two Killed, Several Injured.

BOYS RESPONSIBLE.

Fire Kindled Near Powder Storehouse Thought to Have Been the Cause—Tons of Granite Hurled Hundreds of Yards--Buildings in the City Shaken.

Boston, Sept. 7—One of the government powder magazines at Old Fort Winthrop on the Governors' Island, upper Boston harbor, blew up about 5 o'clock this evening with a detonation apparent all over the city and which was heard 20 miles away. One dead man and five injured have already been brought to the city by the police boat, and while it is believed that this is the extent of the casualties it is possible there are others.

The dead—Albert H. Cotton, married, 8 Rogers avenue, Somerville.

Missing—Joseph E. Wakefield, married, Malden (Mass.)

James Ryan, 18, East Boston.

The badly injured are:

James A. Crawley, Christian Knudson, Charles Flannagan, Dennis J. Swanson and Peter Barry.

It is thought that the explosion was caused by boys starting a fire near the magazines.

Negotiations have been pending some time for the release of the island by the government to the city as a part of the latter's park system, and although the transfer has not been formally completed the guard over the island has been somewhat relaxed of late and as a result numerous clubs and pleasure parties have made use of it, especially on Sunday, the government's only representative there being an ordnance sergeant who has to maintain a watch over the entire island. There are several old ramshackle wooden buildings but the fort itself, only a little of which is visible above ground, is of stone, some of the granite blocks being of immense size.

The tremendous force of today's explosion is shown by the fact that some of these blocks were hurled several hundred yards while one of the largest was sent into the air and came down through the citadel in the centre of the fort, making a hole large enough to drive a team of horses through. All over the island the effects of the explosion are visible, while in East Boston, South Boston and in the city proper the concussion was severe enough to break windows and shake buildings to their foundations.

The powder that exploded consisted of about six tons and was stored in one of the numerous casemates that were built underground around the citadel and which of late had been used as a powder magazine. The other casemates were empty. Each of these apartments was built with granite walls 25 feet thick and covered with earth and masonry to the depth of 35 feet, so that in view of later knowledge as to their position, it is difficult to see how the first theory as to the cause of the explosion can be correct, for it would apparently be impossible for fire to have reached the powder by accident from the outside. This leaves the cause of the explosion entirely unexplained.

It is estimated that during the afternoon there were three or four hundred pleasure seekers on the island and of that number fully 150 were within a radius of 200 yards of the fort. All were covered with dirt and other debris and many were thrown to the ground by the terrific concussion and that all of them were not killed is considered almost miraculous.

UNIQUE GOLF SCHEME A MONEY-MAKER.

Wright Drives Golf Ball Three Miles in 96 Strokes, and Wins $1,000.

Newport, R. I., Sept. 8—Marion Wright of Philadelphia, a well known golf expert, won $1,000 yesterday on a wager that he could not drive a golf ball from the Newport reading room to the golf club, a distance of three miles, in a given time and certain number of strokes. Thousands of dollars were wagered on the result. Mr. Wright won his cash prize, and his friends realized handsomely.

The start was made at 5.20 a. m. from the Newport reading room, and the finish at the Newport Golf Club was at 7.05. Mr. Wright made 96 strokes, he agreeing to make the run in 99.

Referees and umpires followed the Philadelphian over the course in carriages. It is estimated that $10,000 changed hands.

MAINE ELECTIONS.

Republicans Carry State, But Democrats Make Big Inroads--Hill Governor Again.

Portland, Me., Sept. 8—The election in Maine today resulted as follows: For governor, Hon. John F. Hill, of Augusta, re-elected with plurality of 29,000 estimated upon returns from 250 towns, a loss of 15 per cent from his last vote. The four congressmen, Amos L. Allen, first district; Chas. E. Littlefield, second; Edwin C. Burleigh, third, and Llelhwyn Powers, fourth, were re-elected, with decreased pluralities. The Democrats, led by Dr. Seth C. Gordon, made heavy inroads into the Republican strength.

The legislature, while as usual preponderantly Republican, will have an uncommon number of Democrats, some of the strongest Republican towns electing Democrats.

The senate will have one Democrat in 31 members, but it is believed the house will have 20 to 25 Democrats out of a total of about 140 members. Portland breaks a long record by electing one Democrat out of her seven representatives.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Matter of St. James' Church, Montreal—Position of Women in the Church Courts.

Winnipeg, Sept. 8—(Special)—This afternoon at the Methodist conference the matter of St. James church, Montreal, was taken up. The pastor of the church, Rev. John W. Graham, presenting a memorial from the church asking for help to wipe out the enormous debt with which it is saddled.

The conference will probably refer the matter to a committee.

The committee on memorials is still reporting on its recommendation re admission of women to equal footing with men in the church courts which has not yet either been adopted or referred.

SPECIAL POSTAL RATES REPEALED.

Gazette Notice Relative to Yukon and Atlin District.

Ottawa, Sept. 8—(Special)—An extra of the Canadian Gazette, published today, contains an announcement that special postage rates applicable to Yukon and Atlin district have been repealed. Rates in force in future will be the same as those which now prevail in other parts of Canada, with the exception of letters, post cards, circulars and newspapers posted from the office of publication. Old rates of these two districts were double those prevailing elsewhere in Canada.

SUICIDE AT HALIFAX.

Sensational Act of Passenger on Dartmouth Ferry.

Halifax, Sept. 8—(Special)—A sensational suicide occurred here at 11 o'clock tonight, when an unknown young man jumped from the forward rail of the ferry steamer Dartmouth into the harbor and ended his life. The man was a stranger to those on the steamer. He was well dressed and about 23 years of age. Only one of the passengers saw him take the fatal leap.

When within 100 yards of the Dartmouth shore he jumped upon the rail, threw his cap on the deck and plunged into the sea. Life buoys were thrown him, but he made no effort to save himself and he sank into the deep in full view of the 50 passengers and the crew of the steamer.

To Destroy Thousands of Dogs.

Buluwayo, Sept. 8—Owing to an outbreak of rabies in Rhodesia, the native commissioner met the native chiefs and explained the disease to them. They promised to destroy all dogs except favorites. This means the destruction of from 60,000 to 80,000 dogs. The government will destroy the hyenas.

Killed in Friendly Scuffle.

Montreal, Sept. 8—(Special)—F. Thiever, aged 35, laborer engaged in unloading one of the steamers in port, was killed in a peculiar manner this morning. He was scuffling and wrestling with a fellow laborer when he was thrown to the deck. His head struck with great force and he died instantly.

Governor Snowball at Banquet.

Montreal, Sept. 8—(Special)—Sir Edmund Barton, Australian premier, and Sir John Forest were banqueted tonight by the Montreal Board of Trade. Among those present was Lieut.-Governor Snowball, of New Brunswick.

Will Welcome Sir Wilfrid Home.

Ottawa, Sept. 8—(Special)—The city council passed a resolution tonight to present an engrossed address to Sir Wilfrid Laurier on his return to Ottawa and also to join a welcome to Premier Barton.

Czarina Progresses Well.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 8—It is officially announced that the czarina has passed the critical stage of her recent miscarriage. Her case is without complications and she is progressing towards complete recovery.

Premier Barton Not to Resign.

Montreal, Sept. 8—(Special)—Premier Barton, of Australia, denies the report in an English paper that he will resign the premiership of the Australian commonwealth.

Cyclone Wipes Out Town.

Paris, Sept. 9—Despatches from Buenos Ayres announce the destruction of the town of Bolivar (Argentine) by a cyclone. Fourteen persons were killed and 50 injured.

BODY EXHUMED AND WOODEN INQUEST BEGUN

Investigation Ordered by the Attorney General Started at Patterson Settlement.

A POST-MORTEM HELD.

Stomach of Deceased Sent to St. John to Be Submitted to Analysis by M. V. Paddock — Evidence of Several Witnesses Taken by Coroner Pride.

Fredericton, N. B., Sept. 8.—(Special) Investigation into the cause of the death of the late Thos. Wooden, ordered by the attorney-general, was commenced at Patterson Settlement, Sunbury county, this morning.

The body was exhumed, and a post mortem examination was conducted by Doctor Dundas, of Hoyt. Afterwards the stomach of deceased was removed and forwarded to M. V. Paddock, at St. John, to be analyzed.

An inquest was commenced at 1 o'clock before Coroner H. H. Pride and jury. A large crowd of spectators were present and the proceedings were followed with great interest.

George W. Allen, of Fredericton, represented the crown and J. B. M. Baxter, of St. John, appeared for Mrs. Wooden, widow of the deceased. The evidence of some half a dozen witnesses was taken but nothing of importance was brought out in regard to Wooden's death beyond what is already in possession of the public.

At 6 o'clock the inquest was postponed indefinitely to await the analyst's report.

TIMES STILL LIBELLING ST. LAWRENCE ROUTE.

But the Elder-Dempsters Tell of Eighty Canadian Voyages Without Disaster.

Montreal, Sept. 8.—A London cable to the Star says: "Lloyds' correspondent of the Times is again seeking to increase public prejudice against the St. Lawrence as a safe route of navigation.

"He argues today that a 23-knot service to Quebec would very often be wasted as regards time as it would be exposed to disaster, as is proved by one St. Lawrence steamer per month being wrecked on an average, as against one Halifax steamer per year. He declares that no improvement in navigation can secure immunity from danger.

"On the other hand the Elder-Dempsters write the Times today that they completed 80 Canadian voyages during the last three years without mishap. They express indignation that their ships are charged such high insurance rates as compared with lines to American ports.

"At the same time they have forwarded a memorandum to the minister of marine at Ottawa, urging an immediate remedy of the deficiencies in regard to fog signals and buoys."

Toronto, Sept. 8.—(Special)—The evening Telegram's cable from London says: "A letttr been forwarded to Hon. James Sutherland, the Canadian minister of marine and fisheries, by the Elder-Dempster Steamship Company, suggesting various improvements to the St. Lawrence route. Many points should have fog signals, the company declares, more lights are necessary and existing fog signals should be stronger. The chart of Belle Isle straits should take in 60 miles round Belle Isle. The company offers the services of two of its most experienced captains to confer with Hon. Mr. Sutherland in regard to improvements to the St. Lawrence navigation."

New Fog Station at Father Point.

Quebec, Sept. 8.—(Special)—The government steamer Druid left this morning with all the necessary material for a powerful new fog signal which is about to be erected at Father Point as a further aid to navigation. A gang of men to build the structure went down on the steamer. Agent Gregory, of the marine department, states the new fog signal at Fame Point will be ready to go into operation shortly.

MARRIED BEFORE GOING TO OPERATING TABLE.

Bradford B. McGregor, Son of Standard Oil Organizer, Lived But Two Days After.

New York, Sept. 8—Bradford B. McGregor, who was operated on for kidney disease at his home Saturday last, died early today. Mr. McGregor married Miss Clara Schlemmer, of New York, a few hours before the operation was performed. He was the son of the late Ambrose M. McGregor, one of the organizers of the Standard Oil Company.

EARL DUNDONALD WARMLY PRAISES CANADIAN TROOPS HERE AND IN AFRICA.

Commander-in-Chief of the Forces Inspects City Defences, and Will Overlook Gunners' Work at Fort Dufferin Today--To Visit Sussex--Conan Doyle's Tribute.

The commander-in-chief of the Canadian forces, Major-General the Earl of Dundonald, accompanied by Colonel Cotton, quartermaster general; Lieut.-Colonel Sherwood, 43rd Regiment; Lieut.-Colonel Rutherford, A. A. G. for Artillery; Captain Newton, Middlesex Regt., A. D. C., and Mr. McAllister, secretary, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon by the Maritime express and registered at the Royal hotel.

The party were driven through the city later in the afternoon, making a superficial inspection of the defences. This morning, at 9.30 o'clock, the earl is to inspect the drill shed and barracks square, where he will be met by Major Sturdee, commanding the 62nd Fusiliers.

The earl, with his party, will then proceed to Fort Dufferin and spend the day in camp, leaving at 5 o'clock for Sussex, to remain there the rest of the week.

A Telegraph representative was accorded an interview with his lordship at the Royal hotel last evening, but to many of the questions the earl said he was not in a position to answer.

His dress was mufti, but in feature and carriage he is the typical British officer—tall, erect, alert. He is bronzed deeply and his expression is that of penetrating keenness, a look that impresses you with the conviction that he possesses in a high degree the faculty of observation.

Asked regarding his opinion of Canadian soldiers, he said:—

"That is a question I have answered many times. I may say that those who were in my command in South Africa were excellent soldiers, and the same term can be applied to those comprising the Canadian militia here.

"I am making my inspection tour, visiting the different military points throughout my command. Tomorrow the city's defences will be visited, but we expect to spend the greater part of the day in camp at Fort Dufferin. We will leave in the afternoon for Sussex, where the annual encampment is being made. We shall remain there for the week, after which other points in the maritime provinces will be inspected.

"I cannot definitely say when I shall be in the west."

"What are your impressions of Canada and the Canadian people?"

"Thoroughly agreeable. The country, so far as I have seen, reminds me greatly of England, in climate and scenery, the latter especially being beautiful."

Questions concerning future plans and regarding military matters, Earl Dundonald was noncommittal on, his remarks being brief and guarded.

The commander-in-chief is a clever soldier, a hard fighter and has invented certain appliances for field artillery which have been used most effectively.

He is a descendant of Admiral Cochrane, the seaman whose exploits in South American waters during the last century gave him a famous name.

Perhaps Earl Dundonald's best work thus far was performed in the South African war, when he commanded the cavalry division in General Buller's army, operating before Ladysmith.

His command was about 3,000, and comprised 1st Royal Dragoons, 14th Hussars, four squadrons of South African horse, one squadron of Imperial Light Horse, Bethune's Mounted Infantry, Thorneycroft's Mounted Infantry, one squadron of Natal Carbineers, one squadron of Natal police, one company of Kings Royal Rifles mounted infantry, and six machine guns.

These irregular troops of horse might have been criticized by martinets or pedants, but they contained some of the finest fighting material in the army, some of the men being urged on by personal hatred of the Boers and some by mere lust of adventure.

In Doctor Doyle's history of the Boer war this passage can be found concerning Dundonald and his cavalry. It was in connection with the Spion Kop fighting on January 10th and deals with the seizure of Potgeiters Drift:

"Dundonald's cavalry force pushed rapidly forward, crossed the little Tugela and established themselves upon the hills which commanded the drift. Dundonald largely exceeded his instructions in going so far and while we applauded his courage and judgment in doing so we must remember and be charitable to those less fortunate officers whose private enterprise has ended in disaster and reproof."

Lord Dundonald bore an important part in the battle of Colenso and in a gallant but ineffective effort to take Alangwan Hill lost 130 men out of his comand.

He enjoys the distinction of being among the first if not the very first British officer to enter Ladysmith.

In Doctor Doyle's history is the following—the date of the entry into the town being early in March 1900:

"Cautiously feeling their way with a fringe of horse the British pushed on over the great plain delayed here and there by the crackle of musketry but finding always that the obstacle gave way and banished as they approached it. At last it seemed clear to Dundonald that there really was no barrier between his horsemen and the beleagured city.

"With a squadron of the Imperial Light Horse and a squadron of the Natal Carbineers he rode on until in the gathering twilight the Ladysmith picket challenged the approaching cavalry and the gallant town was saved."

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EIGHTY THOUSAND TROOPS GATHERED FOR MAGNIFICENT WAR SPECTACLE.

Kaiser Will Lead Part of Forces in Four Days' Sham-fight at Potsdam—Earl Roberts, British War Secretary, and American Generals on the Scene—Banquet Given by the Emperor.

Frankfort-on-Oder, Sept. 8—Eighty thousand soldiers are camping in the open air tonight and 12,000 more are quartered in farm houses; the troops are waiting for the four days' sham battle, on an immense scale, that will begin at dawn tomorrow.

Emperor William will arise at 3 o'clock tomorrow morning and leave Potsdam at 4 o'clock, to be early on the field. A great blue and white pavilion, fringed with gold hangings, has been pitched on the southern shore of the Weissensee, and here Emperor William will bivouac Wednesday night. He will lead the cavalry division into action on Thursday. There was some slight skirmishing by the cavalry today. The roads about here are in wretched condition, having been cut up by the recent rains.

A Gathering of Generals.

Berlin, Sept. 8—Emperor William entertained 110 guests at dinner tonight in the new palace at Potsdam. The guests were nearly all visitors who have come to attend the manoeuvres, and they included Generals Corbin, Young and Wood, U. S. A., and their aides; Lieut.-Colonel J. B. Kerr, military attache, and Commander W. H. Beehler, the United States naval attache here; Earl Roberts, Mr. Brodrick, British secretary for war, and the other British generals who are here for the manoeuvres; the visiting German princes, and the commanding generals in charge of the manoeuvres.

The Empress of Germany was present, sitting opposite the emperor, with Earl Roberts on her right.

Kaiser Denounces Electrics.

After dinner the emperor mingled freely with his guests. He again expressed his very high appreciation of the manner in which his brother, Prince Henry, had been treated in the United States, spoke of his admiration for President Roosevelt, and said he fervently thanked God for having spared the life of the president at the time of the Pittsfield accident. Electric cars, he continued, are the enemies of humanity.

Tonight, as on former occasions, Emperor William discussed the possibility of his visiting America some day. This idea evidently presents great attractions for him, but he added regretfully: "I fear I can never realize that dream."

A special train bore the guests from Berlin to Potsdam at 6 o'clock this evening and returned to Berlin at 9.50.

Tomorrow morning at 5 o'clock a train will leave here to carry the emperor's distinguished visitors to the manoeuvre field.

Earl Roberts and General Wood Swap Stories.

In the course of the evening, at the new palace, Earl Roberts and General Wood engaged in a long conversation, in which they compared their respective experiences in South Africa and Cuba.

Father and Sons Drowned.

Peterboro, Ont., Sept. 8.—(Special)—Jas. M. Roberts and two sons, Edward and Kenneth, aged respectively 11 and 9, were drowned in Chemong Lake last night by the capsizing of a canoe in which they were returning home from attending service at Indian reserve. None of the bodies have yet been recovered. Roberts was aged 45 and leaves his wife, one son and daughter.

Shooting Accident Near Halif. x

Halifax, Sept. 8—(Special)—A shooting accident occurred on Preston road, near Dartmouth, this evening. Two brothers, named Otto, mulattos, were loading an old muzzle loader with shot, and the eldest of the two went to hand it to the other, when it went off, blowing his right hand to pieces and lodging some shot in his stomach. His case is a serious one.