

LIVED NEAR DUNDAS

P. E. I. Pioneer Helped Bury Sir John Moore

Shortly before dawn on this date exactly 150 years ago, a small group of British soldiers sped swiftly through the streets of the Spanish seaport of Corunna.

On the shoulders of six of the stoutest among them was born the body of their erstwhile commander-in-chief, Sir John Moore, fatally wounded the day previous in a battle with Napoleon's forces led by Marshal Soult.

Reaching the ramparts of the fortified town, and using their bayonets as shovels, the soldiers quickly scooped a shallow grave,

and, with the briefest of ceremony, deposited therein the mortal remains of their beloved leader, and hurried off to embark for home on the naval vessels anchored on the bay.

ISLAND COUNTERPART

Forty-seven years and some months later, on July 16, 1856, another somewhat larger funeral procession wound northward on the narrow track that through sunny island fields led from Cumberland Hill, Lot 55, to the little cemetery near the village of Dundas.

The remains being accompanied to its last resting place that mid-summer day was that of yet another soldier, William Johnstone, late sergeant with the 42nd Regiment of Foot (Black Watch), who, almost five decades earlier had helped carry Sir John from Corunna's bloody field and later assisted at his burial.

Only a plain, rectangular, weather-worn headstone marks the grave of this gallant soldier, who, in a stirring era now almost forgotten, helped to set the stage for the final overthrow of the little Corsican who had terrorized Europe for almost 20 years. No trace remains of the Cumberland Hill homestead he built with such care and effort over a century ago. Only direct descendants known are store-keeper Harry Johnstone, and school mistress Minnie MacDonald, both residents of Montague, and bank manager, W. M. Mellich of Charlottetown. All are great-great grandchildren of the old soldier.

SERVED 21 YEARS

In the 21 years that Johnstone served with the 42nd, he saw action in many of the important engagements of the Peninsular War. Wounded at Corunna, he was also wounded at Salamanca, at the storming of Fort St. Michael, at Bourgois, and Toulouse.

On his discharge in 1814 a grateful government granted him the munificent pension of one shilling per day. Thirty-eight years later he was awarded the Victoria Medal.

The next 18 years, the former soldier spent in his native Ross-shire, serving as forester and game-keeper to various landed gentlemen and about Cromarty and the Parish of Uigg.

But the call of the veteran, and in 1832 he mortgaged his pension, and with his wife and children, set out for Canada.

OPPOSED WELLINGTON

In doing so he went directly contrary to the advice of his friend and one-time commander, the famous Duke of Wellington, who, in a letter written the year previous had cautioned Johnstone,

"not to seek for a Provision in the Colonies of North America," unless "able-bodied and in a situation to be able to support himself." The Duke also advised his old comrade against selling or mortgaging his pension.

That Johnstone's first years in Prince Edward Island were not particularly successful is indicated by the fact that in 1844 he forwarded a petition to Sir James Carrick Moore, Sir John's brother, in which he asked that dignity to use his influence to persuade the British government to reinstate his former pension.

Moore did so, but the request was turned down. Wellington's letter and the text of Moore's reply to Johnstone are two of the many letters and documents preserved by the old soldier and now in the possession of his great-grandson, Harry Johnstone.

ESTEEMED BY OFFICERS

Others show the great esteem in which he was held by the officers of the 42nd. One of these, dated at Aberdeen, December 22, 1824, and signed by Major Robert Anstruther states that in the nine years this officer knew him Johnstone conducted himself "as becometh a soldier, with the strictest honesty, sobriety, and uniform good behaviour." As to his bravery in action, the same officer asserts that "I will not allow that there ever was a man could do more for the honor of the Corps to which he belonged."

Against this background, the snobbish claptrap contained in a letter of recommendation issued by one of the Scottish landowners Johnstone later served sounds boorish indeed. To the brief admission that Johnstone had performed his duties diligently this inarticulate laird added this terse observation: "He is a good shot

Move To Block Articles On The Royal Family

LONDON (Reuters)—An interim injunction was granted by the high court Thursday banning the former superintendent of Windsor Castle from publishing any details of his service with the Royal Family.

The ban imposed on the 51-year-old former official, now operator of an inn, following publication in last week's Sunday Pictorial of an article entitled: "The Queen in her castle, by William Ellis; the man who ran her weekend home."

The announcement of the ban and very expert at trapping vermin.

LAST SURVIVOR

Last survivor of Sergeant Johnstone's immediate family, John Moore Johnstone died at Cumberland Hill on the 29th of December, 1891, at the age of 66.

His obituary published the following month describes him as "a warm friend, a man of culture, and generous to a fault," and indicates that he was also a man of means having prospered in the ship-building business and the "knee trade."

The inscription on the elder Johnstone's monument concludes with the following verse: "Beneath these clouds of silent dust

"We sleep where all the living must; "The gayest youth, the fairest face, "E'er long must sleep in this dark place."

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granting of the injunction said it was made to prevent Ellis from breaking a written agreement, given at the time of his resignation, not to publish anything about the Royal Family.

The injunction was sought by the attorney-general. The article was billed as the first of a series and ended by saying: "Next week, I invite you to Windsor for the Ascot races."

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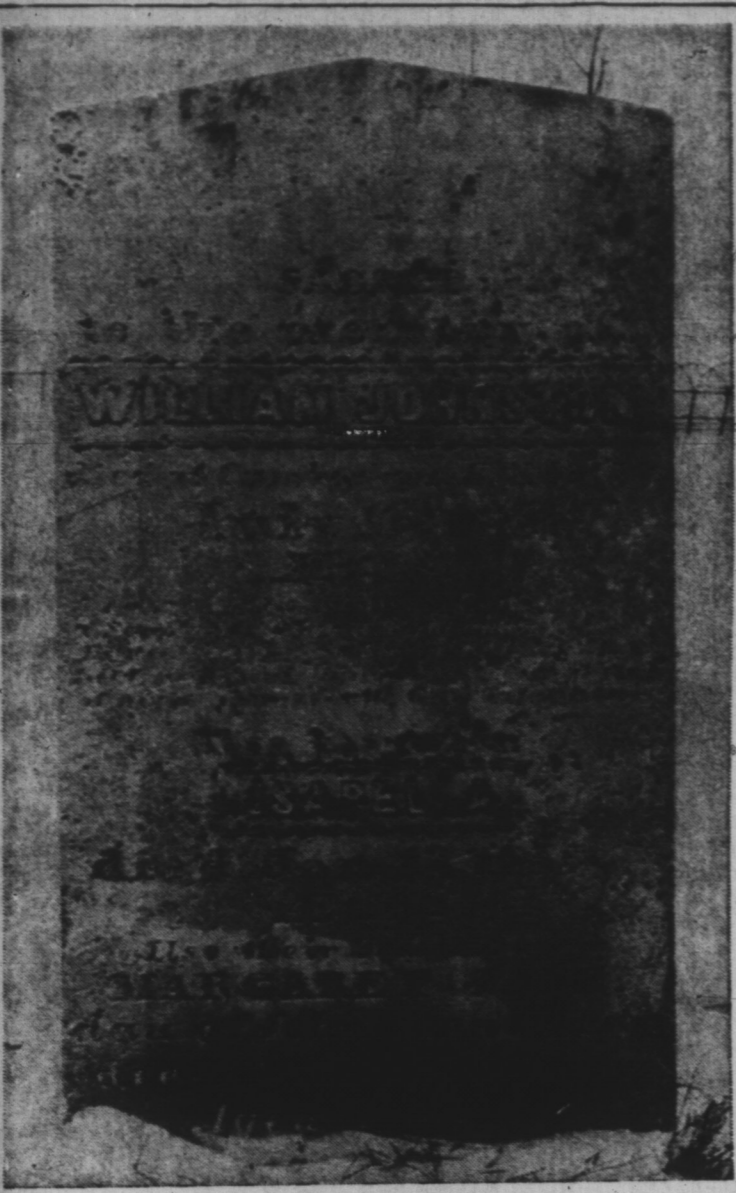
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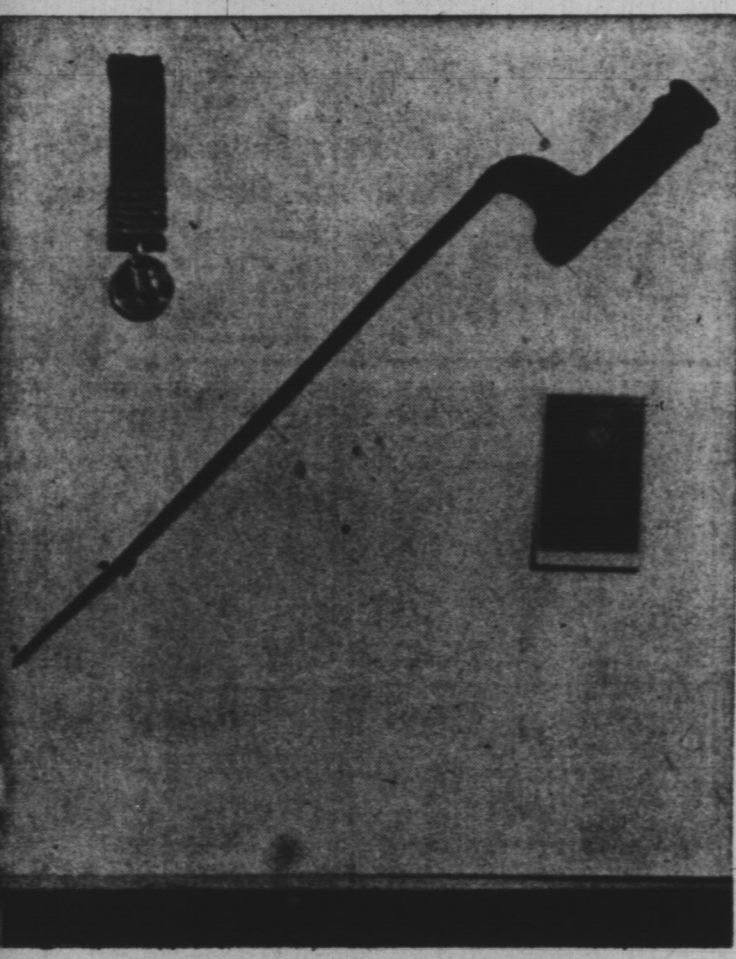
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MONCTON (CP)—A 50-year-old two-room school was destroyed by fire Tuesday night at Notre-Dame, about 15 miles north of here. No one was in the building at the time.

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VETERAN'S MEMORIAL



MEMENTOES OF THE PAST

Declares British Race Riots May Not Have Been All Bad

LONDON (Reuters)—The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, said Wednesday race riots last fall were a shock to Britons and the shock is "not a bad thing" if it awakens the nation.

The Church of England primate, addressing the upper house of the church's southern convocation of Canterbury, said: "If the country did not recognize the peril it was in before, I think it is not a bad thing that the people of this country should have had this shock to wake them up."

Dr. Fisher opposed a resolution adopted by the lower house urging the government to anticipate events with a constructive policy.

It also urged the church to give greater attention to non-white immigrants. Declaring himself "extremely unwilling" to pass the resolution, the archbishop said: "How on earth was the government to anticipate events?"

REFERENCE OMITTED

The lower-house resolution was amended to omit any reference to the government and was carried.

Meanwhile, in York, northern England, Bishop Donald Coggan of Bradford introduced a five-point charter for non-whites at the church's northern convocation.

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On behalf of the patients and staff of the Provincial Sanatorium, I wish to sincerely thank the above named donors, whose thoughtful generosity gave all a tremendous lift both through the year and during the Christmas season. Signed, E. M. FOUNDED, M.D., C.M., Medical Superintendent

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