

News from South Porcupine, Dome and the District

Funeral of S. Kennedy One of the Largest Ever Held in South Porcupine

Hundreds Pay Last Tribute to Genial and Public-spirited Pioneer of the North. Many Floral Tokens. Mass at St. Joachim's Church. Interment at Ottawa Beside His Wife.

South Porcupine, Oct. 25th. (Special to The Advance)—The sad death of Mr. Sylvester Kennedy on Monday morning came as a shock to all.

He was out talking to friends on the previous Tuesday, and was stricken on Wednesday with a kind of paralytic stroke from which he never rallied, gradually sinking until the end, on Monday at 4:00 a.m.

It is difficult to realize a South Porcupine without Vesty Kennedy. Although in latter years his activities were necessarily lessened by his increasing age, his personality was as forceful as ever, and seldom has any man so stamped his personality on any town making it part of himself as has the late Mr. Kennedy on this town of South Porcupine.

He used to say often upon public platforms that he had had little education himself but that his ambition was that every child in town should receive the best possible, and he bent every effort, (sometimes against strong odds) towards this ideal.

Mr. Kennedy may not have had the background of scholarly knowledge which was denied him, but he had an education in practical knowledge, and in clear and logical perception, a fund of statistics gained by life and a gentle disposition toward the young—an education which, coupled with an academic degree might have made of Vesty Kennedy a man outstanding in the whole country instead of this North land.

The first little log school in South Porcupine came as a result of Vesty's efforts. He paid the first month's salary to the teacher out of his own pocket.

When, by dint of arduous and unceasing effort in a town which might have become a deserted village overnight (these were the days when the life of the Dome Mine was limited to a two-year stretch), Vesty finally got the debentures passed to erect the new brick public school, he was openly scorned as a dreamer and the building dubbed "Vesty's White Elephant." Time has justified his effort. The school has been doubled in extent and capacity, and a high school erected which is a credit to any community.

Vesty, with the exception of two years (one year when he was Reeve and another when a lady trustee was elected to the Board in his place) has remained on the School Board since 1911.

Stories of his courage and helpfulness during the great fire of 1911 are still current among the old-timers, and his enthusiasm and unconquerable faith in this great North country have been a strong factor in its past life, and will be a source of inspiration to generations to come.

A stranger going into St. Paul's Cathedral in London may notice a small bronze tablet in an inconspicuous place which says in Latin: "To see the monument to Christopher Wren, look around you." A parallel may now be given in S. Porcupine. "Should a memorial to Sylvester Kennedy be desired, look around you. Look to the South and see Vesty's White Elephant. Look to the North and see the handsome high school structure which is

there. There is Vesty's monument. He needs no other."

When news of his death was made known Miss Shaw, principal of the Public School, ordered the flag to fly at half-mast, and went from room to room telling her pupils of his passing, and that to honor his memory a holiday would be given on the morrow. Many a little story, she says, the children told her of his thoughtfulness and kindness to them, as she went around. Next morning Mr. Blake, principal of the High School gathered the school together in the auditorium.

A prayer was said, the hymn "Rock of Ages" was sung, and school was dismissed for the day.

At 11 a.m. on Tuesday one of the most representative gatherings assembled in St. Joachim's R. C. Church. From the manager of the Dome Mine to the kindergarten pupil, bank heads, merchants, councillors, police, old-timers, new-comers, old, young, every type of citizen, was represented.

A citizen of note had passed, and all were mourning his passing.

Requiem High Mass was sung, Father Gelinus officiating assisted by Father Theriault, of Timmins, and Father Pelletier, of Iroquois Falls, (the first parish priest of South Porcupine).

Honorary pallbearers—old-timers of the Porcupine, and old friends of the deceased—were:—Messrs. F. C. Evans, Dr. W. McLaren, B. M. Walton, Maxwell Smith, Patrick O'Shea and Pat. Cooper (Schumacher).

Pallbearers were:—Lex Loneran, Dan McEllan, Jack Dalton, Fred Laforest, Jack Costello and Chas. McInnis.

As the cortege left the church it was escorted by twenty-four public school boys who formed a guard of honor.

At the station numbers gathered and stood bareheaded as the last remains of this honored pioneer were put on board the train for interment in Ottawa beside his wife.

Miss Pearl Kennedy accompanied the remains by train, her brothers, Edward and Gerald, making the journey by car to Ottawa.

The masses of beautiful autumn blooms sent by friends were some of the loveliest we have seen. Most were sent with the body to Ottawa, but some at the request of the family were sent to the Porcupine General Hospital. Among them were:—The Municipal Corporation of the Township of Tisdale; the South Porcupine and Dome Public School pupils; students of S. Porcupine High School; Public School Trustees S. S. No. 1; the teaching staff of Porcupine and Dome Public Schools; members of High School Board, Township of Tisdale; Board of Trustees, Schumacher Public School; the officers and members of S. Porcupine Fire Dept.; Porcupine Business Girls' Club; Joe and Annette; Mr. and Mrs. Disher and family; Mr. and Mrs. W. Rayner; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pirie; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stark; Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds and Kay; Fanny and Lillian Nelson; Sims, Hooker and Drew; Mr. and Mrs. W. Gordon; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fairhurst; Mr. and Mrs.

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3.—CHURCH	3.—KAMPMAN
4.—DAVIDSON	4.—STANOWSKI
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10.—APPS	10.—DON METZ
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12.—DRILLON	12.—CHAMBERLAIN
	14.—GOLDDUP

AFTER THE GAME GATHER AT THE Pearl Lake Hotel

Just Around the Corner From the Arena

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C. P. R. Promotion



The promotion of H. C. James, assistant general passenger agent, Canadian Pacific Railway Company, Montreal to the similar post in charge of the Ontario District, with headquarters at Toronto, has been announced by George E. Carter, general passenger agent of the company. Mr. James succeeds the late C. B. Andrews and takes over his new duties November 1st. Mr. James in his 25 years' experience with the Canadian Pacific Railway has covered a wide field in Canada and the United States, embracing positions of ever increasing importance and responsibility.

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