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MRS. ALLISON HAS LIVED FORTY-SIX YEARS IN PRINCETON.

British Columbia Town is the Home of a Remarkable Woman Writer Who Went to Live in the Wilds Nearly Half a Century Ago-Her Chief Work Has Appeared Under the Pen Name of Stratton Mirr.

T is now forty-six years since Mrs. Allison, the poetess, went settle in the frontier town of Princeton, B.C., amongst the Indians, says Estelle M. Kerr in Toronto Saturday Night. There were four hundred Indians there then, now

there are but ten, and many graves. [For many years she was the only white woman in the valley, and her daughter was seventeen before she ever saw a white man, and then she was so frightened by the apparition that she ran away and hid in terror. Mrs. Allison was the friend of the Indians, and they trusted her and

told her stories which she translated into English verse. Her principal work, "Incowmasket," is the tale of a chief of that name, and of his wives and children. It was published under her pen-name, Stratton Mirr, and the proceeds of the sale were devoted to furnishing a ward in the Hedley Hospital, at the gold mines, not far away. The Indians trusted her so that

when they embraced Christianity and put up crosses, surmounted by weathereocks on their graves to replace the quaint old Indian monuments. they gave her a strange old figure about four feet high, which is one of Mrs, Allison's most cherished possessions. It stands in the corner of her living room, and she calls it "Dummy." In fulfilment of her promise to the Indians, no one is allowed to make fun of Dummy or laugh at him. L had not the slightest desire to laugh, though Dummy has a strange figure, slim of waist and thick of arm, but he looks so strange and eerie that I am sure evil spirits would fly from him and leave the grave he guarded unmolested. The tree, from which Dummy was carved by stone hatchets is quite rotten at the back, and his feet and the rim of his hat have been broken away, but his face, with its high cheek-bones and Indian profile, though gray and weather-beaten, is animpaired by the hand of Time, and his brown marble eyes still gleam from their wooden sockets with a sin-

On the opposite side of the room stands Mrs. Allison's piano-the first to cross the Fraser river, and it got wet in the river, too, and the ivory came off its keys, so that its use as a musical instrument is not great. It stands upright with the assistance of some props, and its case, carved and inset with red velvet and shells, is

very interesting. Mrs. Allison is now sixty-eight years old. She is small of stature: and her curly hair is pure white, while her sweet face is intersected by a network of wrinkles, but she is still a good horsewoman, and has the only alde-saddle in the country; she rides by balance, and does not rise from the saddle as do the women in the East. She is not the only poetess who has written of the beautiful river Tulameen on which her home stands, for Pauline Johnson in her "Indian Legends," tells a tale of the "Red Water" river which is said to be still haunted by the spirit of an Indian maiden who gave her life to

There is a railway that connects Princeton with the south and bears large quantities of cement from the works there into the United States, for owing to its situation cement can be mined there cheaper than any place on the continent, but as yet none of the great Canadian railways pass through, and traveling is done by means of a motor stage. The fare from Merritt to Princeton is twelve dollars each, and I shared the stage with a prospector, a commercial traveler, two miners, and a Chinaman. From Princeton to Penticton by way of Keremeos, which takes you to the Okanagan lakes, is only seven dollars, but part of the trip is made by train. Still the drives were worth the money, even if Princeton had been quite devoid of charm, these drives were a never-to-be-forgotten spirit that animates these young felexperience. We wound through cool lows is shown in the following letter deep valleys, beside tinkling brooks, received by Mr. Kelso: up mountain sides, dashed around corners on roads that were but ter saying that I might enlist, and shelves carved in the face of a pre- am so glad that you will let me go, cipice, then through a pass so nar- as I want to fight for the Empire and row that the sun never enters, where my country. When I got your letter black giant fir trees met above our I made up my mind to go at once, but

heads, then out beside a sunlit lake my employer asked me to stay for high up in the cool mountain top, on | two more weeks to help him with the through a deserted village where harvest. There are a lot of young once they mined for gold. There was fellows from here who left about a the store, the hotel, and the shacks, week ago, and it will not be long just as they had left them. One now before I am in khaki. I am 5 would say the population slept. On, ft. 7 inches in height, 34 chest, noron through mountains, valleys, for- mal weight, 141 pounds. I have ests we dashed. Oh, this wonderful

Province of British Columbia! "Come from the East, do you?"

between them and the main line, I don't wonder that the inhabitants of Princeton feel a little bit shut off from the rest of the world. But one cannot feel very far from civilization while a phonograph next door is give ping across the street to the little Pankhurst busy at her usual occupation of getting arrested. President Poincare paying a visit of state, and a recent German aeroplane race, to say nothing of a faithful reproduction of Napoleon's retreat from Moscow-in the cinematograph.

All these views were, 'of course "before the war" attractions, many months before the great European conflict was declared.

A wireless telephone message was

EARTHQUAKES IN CANADA.

Four Serious Tremors Are Recorded in the Dominion's History. Serious earthquake shocks in Canada have been principally confined to the eastern section of the country running from the Gulf of St. Law-

rence and then curving south-westerly to Lake Champlain. On various occasions shocks of more or less sertent of Canada." (Then follows a Indian Loyalist, description of the various phenomena that were witnessed. "There are three circumstances which rendered this earthquake particularly rehaving continued from February to August almost without intermission. | too, was a Mohawk. The second circumstance relates to beyond Montreal, as also in New Eng- now Governor-General of Canada. land, Acadia, and other places more It is a long way from Saratoga in knowledge, this earthquake extended more than 600 miles in length, and 000 square miles of land were convulsed in the same day, and at the

"The third circumstance, which appears the most remarkable of all, regards the extraordinary protection of Divine Providence which has been extended to us and our habitations; for we have seen near us the large openings and chasms which earthquake occasioned, and the prodigious extent of country which has either been totally lost or hideously convulsed, without our losing either man, woman, or child, or even having a hair of their heads touched."

A POPULAR CANADIAN.

New Head of Nova Scotia Steel Widely Known in East.

Thomas Cantley, general manager the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, Ltd., has been elected president of the concern. He succeeds R. E. Harris, judge of the Supreme Court, who was recently elevated to the bench. Judge Harris was president for a long term. Mr. Cantley also retains his position as general manager. Lieut.-Gov. James D. Mac-Gregor remains first vice-presiden and W. D. Ross was appointed the other vice-president. Mr. Ross will look after the financial interests of

Mr. Cantley, to whom has faller the honor of being elected to the head of one of the great industries of Nova Scotia and in fact one of th greatest of eastern Canada, is we equipped for the eminent office he has been called upon to fill. The president was born in New Glasgow. where the plant of this company situated, in 1857. He commence life as a telegraph operator, and ac quired considerable commercial perience in various directions. He entered the service of the Scotia Steel Company in 1885, came assistant manager in 1889, and since 1901 has filled the position of general manager. At the same tim he was one of the vice-presidents of

Although Mr. Cantley was one of the country's biggest business men he found time for other pursuits and interests. He was a promoter of the Aberdeen Hospital and vice-president of the Nova Scotia Mining Society. Because of his valuable services in connection with the manufacturing of shells in Canada he has been made an honorary colonel. His son is a ly disabled in action will receive \$264

Children's Aid Boys at Front. In his annual report Mr. J. J. Kelso states that over two hundred young men who have been helped by the Children's Aid Organization in earlier days have gone to the war.

"Dear Friend,-I received your let and it makes | me look different, serve my country. Those who go But with fares of that magnitude with any other idea have no principle whatever in them.

> "YOUR BOY." Tea and Coffee for Dog at Ex. "Sir Richard" is the name of a disfinguished black cocker spaniel exibited by Mrs. R. S. Gammon of Hamilton at the Exhibition Dog Show, "Sir Richard" has many noble qualities in the world of dogdom. He is the possessor of a delicate palate. "Sir Richard" is particular about what he eats and drinks. He is the only dog in the show that hay, and Leeds, England, propose drinks tea and coffee every morning building a church in Canada to after his daily pot of porridge. "Sir strengthen the ties between them-Richard" is also somewhat of a per- selves and relatives and friends in former, and takes a great delight in | the Dominion, and also to perpetuate doing little stunts for the amusement | the services of the Canadians in the of visitors who stop at his cage.

FELL IN BATTLE.

Descendant of Chief Brant Has Been Killed in Belgium.

The Iroquois or Six Nation Indians have always taken a prominent part in the defence of the British Empire. At the time of the Revolutionary War these Indians were living in New York State, but took sides with Britain on the understanding that if Britious dimensions have been recorded, ain lost the campaign they would be the most serious ones being in 1663, given land in Canada to recompense 1791, 1860, and 1870. The first them for land surrendered in the mentioned, which lasted at intervals United States. Thus they became refor six months, gained a certain cele- fugees in the wilds of Canada, driven brity from the description of it, given | from their homes in the Mohawk Valin the Relations des Jesuits. As ley as the Belgians are in England quoted by the editor of "Hochelaga to-day. The fidelity of Joseph Brant, Depicta," this runs: "On the 5th of the Mohawk Chief, and his followers February, 1663, about half-past five won for the tribe a reserve in Westin the evening, a great rushing noise ern Ontario, where to-day the city of was heard throughout the whole ex- Brantford recalls the memory of an

It is little more than 100 years since, on the banks of the Thames river, near the little town of Moraviantown, Ontario, one of the bravest markable. The first is its duration, it warriors that ever fought for the Union Jack was killed. Tecumseh,

It is not so many years since the the extent of this earthquake, which village of Ohsweken, on the Indian we believe was universal throughout Reservation on the banks of the the whole of New France, for we Grande River echoed with war learn that it was felt from l'Isle Per- whoops and glared with the light of cee and Gaspe, which are situated at the yellow fires of the Mohawks as the mouth of the St. Lawrence, to they made a Chief of Prince Arthur,

1776 to the trenches of France and Belgium in 1914, but when the news of battle resounded through Canada, about 300 in breadth. Hence 180,- the Six Nations arose en masse in defence of their country. In the Council House at Obsweken last September the Six Nations of the Grande River voted \$1,500 to their brother, Ka-rah-kon-tye, The Duke of Connaught, Governor-General of Canada, to be used by the Imperial authorities "as a token of the alliance existing between the Six Nations and the British Crown." Major Gordon . Smith, Superintendent of the Six Nation Indians and Major of the 25th Brantford Dragoons, referring to this gift of money, said to the writer: "When the subscription was being discussed many of the chiefs were anxious to contribute as much as

In addition to this gift of money the Six Nations offered their warriors, all and sundry, for the firing line, and actually sent 50 young Redskins to the front. Prominent among these was Lieut. Cameron D. Brant, known to his comrades in arms as "Chief" Brant. The young officer was a great-great-grandson of the loyal and celebrated Captain Joseph Brant (They-an-den-egea), the leader of the Mohawks in the Revolutionary War and Chief of the Six Nations when they left the United States and came to Canada. Lieut. Brant, like his noble ancestor, Tecumseh, but in khaki uniform of the Canadian contingent, fell fighting before his squadron at the battle of

angemarck. Cameron Brant was himself Chief of the Six Nations, of which the Mohawks are the principal tribe, and lived in Hamilton, Ontario. He was formerly a lieutenant in the 37th Haldimand Rifles, joining the active service contingent of the 4th Battalion at Cayuga, together with a number of his Indian friends. Quiet and unobtrusive, he was recognized in the battalion as a man who knows

how to handle his men. At the front Lieut, Brant has been maintaining the family reputation for bravery, combined with the natural Indian cunning and recklessness. Praise from the commanding officers, and admiration from his manly characteristics exemplified by this Red Man from Canada while under fire from the trenches .-- Max McD in the Family Herald.

Rates of Pension. Under the Canadian pension rates recently revised private soldiers total-

lieutenant at the front at present, but a year. If totally disabled not in has been asked to return to New action, but on active service, or ma-Glasgow to help direct the manufac- terially disabled in action, the penture of shells as he is an expert in sion will be \$192. Soldiers materially disabled on active service will receive \$132. A small degree of incapacity will earn a pension of \$75 s year. In addition to the above totally incapacitated soldier may draw \$11 a month for his wife and \$5 a month for each child. The widow of a private soldier is

entitled to a pension of \$22 a month and \$5 a month for each child under 15, the pension to cease on her remarriage, though she is eligible for a gratuity of two years' pension. A widowed mother whose only son was her sole support and unmarried shall receive \$22 a month. Orphans may be paid \$10 a month. Pensions shall take effect from the day following

War Ribbons in Evidence

A number of European war ribbons have already made their appearance in Canada, and the proud started to let my moustache grow, wearers are being bombarded with questions. The ribbons, which are There have been a lot of fellows left | made of narrow stripes of the colors said the prospector to me. "So did I. to enlist just for a good time, not to of the Allies, are official, and every You stay a little while and you'll fight. I want to make it plain to you man who can show his proper disnever want to go home. This sort of that this is not my idea. I want to charge from any Canadian force beyond the Canadian border is entitled to wear the badge. War service. medals have not been prepared yet. but one or two of those who have returned, | including Private Thomas Norris, 3rd Division, have Distinguished Conduct Medals to show for their bravery. Pte. Norris is now aiding in the recruiting for the Queen's Own Rifles of Toronto, of which he was a member before he enlisted for active service.

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