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straight: I am Portuguese Joe's daughter and Mrs. Lucy Silvey Watson was my mother, and she was Portuguese Joe's wife."

PORTUGUESE JOE.

Excerpt from Letter of Theo. Bryant, Ladysmith, son of Rev. Cornelius Bryant of Granville, 28 September 1934.

"I remember about 35 years ago the collector of customs telling me of a Silvey being known as 'Portuguese Joe.' Of course, all those kind of fishermen were at any port around the gulf, and commonly known."

CHILDREN OF JONATHAN MILLER OF GRANVILLE.

Authority D. Todd Lees, 5 June 1934.

- Ada. Born Middlesex Co., Ontario, 1860, died 1900; buried Mountain View Cemetery; married (1) Capt. Trimble, master of merchant ship coming to B.C. in logging days—he was lost at sea; (2) Joe Huntley, dropped out of sight—never heard of again. (See *Early Vancouver*, Matthews.) Ada had one child, Katherine, who married 1 June 1915, Dr. W.W. Kennedy, M.D., Vancouver.
- 2. Carrie. Born Middlesex Co., Ontario, 1861; married D. Todd Lees, 24 September 1895 at St. James Church, Vancouver—both living in June 1934. No issue.
- 3. Frederick Jonathan. Born New Westminster, 22 February 1865; was sometimes secretary Vancouver *Daily World*—killed in action 1916; no issue. (See Howay's *History of B.C.*)
- 4. Ernest. Born New Westminster, 1868; barrister; died about 1926; buried Mountain View Cemetery; married Jean Ross, daughter of minister of Gospel, at Grand Forks, B.C. Two children, Helen and Ross, now in San Francisco.
- Alice. Born New Westminster in the 1870s; died in Vancouver about 1916; buried Mountain View; married (1) Harry Berry, manager Guerney Cab Co., and has issue, Frank, Archie and Jonathan (two sons now—1934—in Vancouver, one in San Francisco) and about 1906 married (2) Louis D. Taylor, now Mayor of Vancouver; no issue.
- 6. Edward. Born in Granville in 18-; accidentally killed in San Francisco about 1912. Unmarried.
- 7. Frank. Born Granville about 1880; was in Post Office Department; living in Vancouver in 1934; unmarried.
- 8. Walter. Born Granville about ?; living in Vancouver in 1934; unmarried.
- Greta. Born in Granville, 1881; married (1) A.C. Hirschfield in Vancouver about 1902, and had a child who died in infancy; married (2) Hilton W. Philpot, son of a physician; residence—San Francisco in 1934.

Note: Mr. Lees says, "All personal records, if any, of Jonathan Miller, were destroyed when the Great Fire of June 13, 1886, destroyed his residence and office" (Provincial Government Building) "on Water Street.

"The only grandson bearing the name Miller is Ross Miller."

As narrated by D. Todd Lees, 5 June 1934.

(Signed) J.S. Matthews, City Archivist.