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"Finally, the seventh son, John, was born in Vancouver in 1894, and was buried a year later in Mountain View Cemetery."

**OPPENHEIMER STREET SCHOOL. EAST END SCHOOL.**

"I attended the Oppenheimer Street school until it was closed about 1895, and the Strathcona School nearby opened. Miss Fraser was the last principal of the Oppenheimer Street school, and afterwards the old school building was used as a gymnasium for the Boys' Brigade. There was no Powell Street Grounds then; it was stumps."

**FURTHER CONVERSATION, 28 SEPTEMBER 1937.**

**A.E. McCARTNEY. W.E. McCARTNEY.**

Mr. McCartney said: (and wrote) "Father" (A.E. McCartney) "died in Vancouver in 1900 and is buried in Mountain View Cemetery; Uncle" (W.E. McCartney) "died at Kamloops in 1899."

"Father must have been in the first Riel Rebellion of 1869, for he was eighteen when he was there, and he was 49 when he died in 1900. I have been told that General Buller, commander in chief in the early part of the South African War, 1899-1902, were both corporals" (sic) "together in this rebellion." (Note: he probably means ensigns.)

"The two brothers, my father and uncle, arrived by ship, and landed at New Westminster, but I am not sure whether they came by San Francisco or Cape Horn; I know their effects came around the Horn."

Read and, after correction by William Edward McCartney, approved, 28 September 1937.

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