

## **Early Vancouver**

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**DAVID CALLAO.**

“There was a man who worked down at the Hastings Sawmill; we didn’t know his name, but we knew he came from Callao, Peru, and he had a little son who went to the Hastings Sawmill school, so we just called him Dave Callao, and that might be his name yet.”

**KANAKAS.**

“There was a Kanaka, a Hawaiian, who worked at the Hastings Mill; his name was Keamo; don’t know how you spell it, but it was pronounced Kee-am-oh. Well, I guess they couldn’t pronounce his name properly, or couldn’t spell it if they could, so one day they said, just offhand and as though they were irritated, to him, ‘Oh, we’ll just call you Campbell.’ He married a half-breed; one of the boys lives near Clinton Hall out Hastings Street East, about Clinton Drive, just before you come to Garden Drive; the family are all Campbells now. Of course, they show their colour.”

“Approved, after being read to me, 2 April 1937.

“Mrs. R.D. Smith.”

**HALLELUJAH POINT.**

914 Pender Street West  
Vancouver, B.C.  
9<sup>th</sup> February 1937

The Board of Park Commissioners  
Stanley Park,  
Vancouver, B.C.

Sir:

May I call your attention to the old graveyard at Brockton Point, now obliterated.

Years ago, when I was a little girl, my sister died, and I afterwards saw her lowered into the ground in that little graveyard. My father made a small head-board, round at the top, painted white, and put a little picket fence around the grave, and others were nearby; we used to go sometimes and place flowers upon them. Many of the pioneers of Burrard Inlet are buried there. It was in 1881 my sister died.

For those whose loved ones are buried there the spot is as hallowed as any graveyard elsewhere is to others; it is the last resting place of the pioneers of Burrard Inlet to quite a number.

Would it not be possible to enclose the small area with a fence, and erect a granite obelisk to mark the spot, and have an inscription stating why it is so enclosed and marked.

Yours faithfully

Mrs. R.D. Smith

*[née Minnie McCord]*