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## SKELETON DOG GUARDS BONES OF FATHER AND SON

Mystery of disappearance of George Blake and his son, who set out to seek for gold near Pitt Lake is solved by gruesome find. Bodies are enveloped in ruined tent over which canine guardian stood sentinel until overcome by starvation. Death was evidently caused by falling tree.

*Provincial Police cares for bodies.*

Father is survived by divorced wife who puts in claim for his estate which is to be disputed by cousin. Men were asleep at time of accident and great log had fallen across remains.

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The mystery of the disappearance of George Blake sr. and George Blake jr., who started out in search of gold in the country adjacent to Pitt Lake has been cleared up by the finding of their bodies on the shores of that water, guarded by the skeleton of their faithful dog, which had perished like the Roman sentinel at the gates of Pompei, doing his duty. The bodies were found in the ruins of the tent, and the men had evidently been killed by a falling tree while asleep, for a heavy trunk lay across their remains.

Constable Wilkie of the Provincial police brought the remains to this city yesterday. The elder Blake left a divorced wife, who is putting in a claim for the estate. This is disputed by a cousin of the deceased men

## **Skeleton dog guards bones of father and son**

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