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## THE LATE F. C. CAPREOL.

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### A Sketch of the Life of a Prominent Octogenarian of Toronto.

Mr. Frederick Chase Capreol died at his residence, Clarence-square, on Tuesday evening. The following sketch of the life of deceased is taken from the history of the county of York : —“ Mr. Capreol was born June 10th, 1803, and was the second son of Mr. Thomas Capreol, of Bishop Startford, Hertfordshire, Eng. Mr. Capreol first came to Canada in 1829, to assist in arranging the affairs of the old Northwest Fur Company, and having fulfilled his mission, returned to England in 1831. Two years afterwards he again came to Canada, and shortly after his arrival in New York, married a Miss Skyring, a lady who had been fellow-passenger with him across the Atlantic. He proceeded to Toronto, and determined to settle here. For sometime he followed mercantile pursuits, but these he gave up when he conceived the idea of promoting the Northern Railway. It is a well known fact that to Mr. Capreol the Northern Railway owes its existence, as it was he who projected it and promoted the design almost unaided, and at his own expense forwarded the preliminary arrangements. Mr. Capreol was also the founder of the first water and gas works in the city. Mr. Capreol obtained a charter incorporating the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company, having for its object the building of a canal between Lakes Huron and Ontario, to connect and improve Canada's great water highway. His indomitable energy and pluck in endeavoring to secure the completion of this great work is well known to most of our citizens.”

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#### FUNERAL OF F. C. CAPREOL.

The funeral of the late Mr. F. C. Capreol took place yesterday. There was a large gathering of citizens at his late residence, No. 24 Clarence-square. The procession left the house at three o'clock, and went to St. John's Church. Here the rector, Rev. J. S. Williams, read the burial service, and gave a short address. The remains were then taken to St. James' Cemetery. The pall-bearers were:—Messrs. Lewis Moffatt, Robt. Hay, M.P., Wm. Thompson, David Blain, S. Risley, and John Kay. The chief mourners were:—J. L. Capreol, F. C. Capreol, A. R. Capreol, sons of the deceased: Lieut.-Col. Alger, Major Lee, F. O. Cross, Frank Turner, Charles Buchanan, Geo. Patrick.