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Captain Thompson was a native of St. Stephen and was a brother of Mrs. P. G. McFarlane and Miss Georgianna Thompson. It is some years since he visited his native place but he had many friends here who have heard with regret of his demise.

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