

Obituary, Courier Oct 6, 1904

"Mr. Alex. Moffatt died at 4:45 last Saturday afternoon. The deceased died from heart trouble and he had been a sufferer for several years. He was also subject to severe attacks of asthma which no doubt hastened his death - Last summer he was over at Wimbledon attending to a contract he had there, and one day stood in a drizzling rain and caught cold. This brought on a bad attack of asthma and heart trouble and he had been confined to his home ever since, getting better, and worse, until the past two or three weeks when he rapidly became worse and died last Saturday. He suffered very much at times but through it all bore it heroically and bravely.

He was a Christian man and died strong in faith that he would go to that home where sorrow and trouble are not known. His last coherent words practically in which he said farewell to his bereaved wife and children was that it was well with his soul and that he was going ahead a short time. He tried to comfort them all through his sickness and was happy at the thought that he was going to his eternal home. He was a man of few

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Mrs Myrtle Porterville
Cooperstown, N. Dak.

My dear Myrtle: You will no doubt
be surprised to receive this letter
but I remember you real well
for we were county teachers at the
same time. My sister Mina
too was a teacher and about
your age I believe. I am the
youngest of the Moffat girls
and Lottie sent your letter on
to me and asked that I write
you for I seem to be the one who
has kept track of the record of the
family. I am sending you a
copy of my parents wedding
picture taken in Terquus, Canada
eighty-five years ago, also a clipping
from the Courier at the time
father died. Mother lived until

23rd 1927. Had just passed her
19th birthday. She too was born
in Scotland - at "Bonnie Montrose"
as she used to say. She went to
Canada with her parents when
she was 8 years old and lived in
Fergus until after her marriage
or until she and the family
moved to the Dakotas - in 1880.
She was the mother of ten children
and raised them all to manhood
and womanhood. I truly have
always felt we purely had a
wonderful heritage for both
mother and Daddy were fine
true Christian people. Daddy's
folks were very devout, Scotch
Presbyterians and his father was
a cousin of the famous African
missionary Robert Moffat whose
eldest daughter married David
Livingston - noted missionary
and traveler, Daddy's mother

3 wanted so much that he
a minister but he decided otherwise
though he was a very deep Bible
student. I could go on and on for
to this very day I am very proud
of my parents and have the fondest
memories of them. The picture
you mention in your letter is a
snap taken immediately after
the ceremony at brother John's
wedding by Percy Trubshaw. The
bridesmaid is Maude Trubshaw
and best man Willie Moffat
our youngest brother - baby of the
family. Rev. Rivington was the
pastor. He was in the Congregational
Church from 1900 to 1904.

Lillian and John were married
in Trubshaw's home Dec. 24-1902
Our large family remained
unbroken for many years
father going first in 1904, then

wife in 1910 - * The result of a
kunting accident which you may
remember. Then no break until
Mother in 1927 but from 1942 to
1946 - five have gone. Robert, Lizzie,
Johnie, Christie, ⁴⁷ Myrna and all
had passed 68 years - The two
oldest Thomas ⁸¹ & ⁸³ Maureen ⁶⁸
Minnie, as we call her and ⁶⁷ Hottie
and ⁶⁷ Jeremiah. So we have really
been long lived. I hope I havnt bored
you and that the information
will be of some help in your
hobby. It truly must be most
fascinating. With every good
wish for your success and
the best the New Year holds
to you.

Sincerely

Jervis M. Lang

I forgot to tell you Daddy built the
Court House, Peeps Store, Sycamore
Store and Cranes, Truslowe Hamilton
and almost all of the better homes
built at that time

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