Yukon Territory

To-wit:
IN THE MATTER of the ESTATE of

Edward Cullinane deceased,

I William H Forbes of the City of Dawson in the Yukon Territory Miner do solemnly declare:-

That on or about the 2 day of August 1913 in company with W S Copland, Jack McLean and R Miller we were returning from a prospecting trip and coming down the Moose Horn River at a point about ten miles from Teslin Lake in the Province of British Columbia we saw a camp on the bank of said river and going ashore to investigate could find no one about said camp. There was a robe, tent and cooking utensils, but no provisions, also a small raft tied to the shore.

Embarking again in our boat we had reached a point about five miles below this camp when we heard some one shouting in the woods and going ashore found a man named Nash who was in a starving condition and half demented caused by exposure and hunger. We took him along with us and he told me that he and the above named deceased Edward Cullinane were travelling together from Silver Creek and that provisions running short limits. he had left Cullinane at the above named Camp about nine days before this and was making an attempt to reach Atlin and send back help to Cullinane, but he had lost his way and had not seen Cullinane again.

I am informed that some Indians found the two dogs owned by said Cullinane, running at large, some distance from the said Camp but could find no trace of the deceased Cullinane

From the nature of the country, the condition in which we found the above described Camp and all the circumstances surrounding the disappearance of this man I am firmly convinced that said Edward Cullinane died near said Moose Horn River

in the Province of British Columbia in August 1913

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath and by virtue of the CANADA EVIDENCE ACT

(Sgo) W. H. Forkes

Declared before me at the Town of Whitehorse in the Yukon Territory this 19th, day of December 1914

A Notary Public in and for the

Yukon Territory