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## Renewed Interest in Gamey Charges As Result of Latest Developments

Senate Reading Room Branch

### Moves During Last Forty-Eight Hours By Party Leaders Presage Important Revelations Within Few Days—Detectives Watching Leading Figures in Scandal.

It is no secret that a number of very important conferences have been indulged in by leading representatives of the government during the past forty-eight hours. The cabinet members have been active. Everything clusters around the proceedings in the debate on the bribery charges this afternoon. That important developments are anticipated by both sides is certain. Mr. J. W. St. John for West York will have the floor with the beginning of the debate. The understanding is that he will deliver a vigorous speech arraigning the government for refusal to submit the investigation to the House. Mr. J. P. Whitney asserts, however, that no division will be attempted. There are reports in some circles that the government may surprise the opposition by announcing with the opening of the debate its consent to the scandal being referred to the House for trial. In that event the investigation may begin almost immediately. Otherwise the date of the opening trial is quite uncertain, but in any event it is remote. In the meantime many sensational incidents are developing to heighten the interest. Mr. Gamey announces that detectives are constantly watching him, one evening going to the point of breaking into his room at midnight. Their purpose, he says, he can only surmise. Even in the corridors of the Walker House strange men keep near him, alert to every move he makes or word he utters. It is quite apparent that some intrigue centres around this phase of the case. Rumors of the intention of some of the men charged with the bribing to absent themselves by leaving for the States before the investigation is started, has caused the extradition law to be much discussed. In any event there is no law by virtue of which a person charged with bribery may be extradicted from the republic. At the same time the supposition is that measures are being taken to prevent important witnesses suddenly departing. Captain Sullivan and his son Frank both ridicule the idea that they contemplate leaving the city to avoid going on the witness stand. Another factor bearing on this point is the report that both Captain Sullivan and Frank are being watched by detectives, but for what purpose is only conjecture. The retaining of E. F. B. Johnston by the government and Mr. Sam Blake by the Conservatives is an indication of the vigor with which both sides may be expected to contest. The published story of Mr. Stratton's view of the scandal in The Peterboro Examiner, which is the property of the Provincial Secretary, has attracted much attention as the first detailed utterance which might be fairly attributed to Mr. Stratton since the charges were made. Altogether much fuel for thought has been added to the case since the House adjourned Friday, among the more startling factors being the positive statement of Mr. Gamey that he has other sensational communications to make at the right time.

**What Will Happen To-Day?**

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the legislature will again get down to business, and, of course, the sensational Gamey episode will be the great feature of the discussion. There is no abatement of the interest in this startling case. The galleries will probably overflow, as on the two days last week after the member for Manitoulin threw his bomb into the government benches; but something ought to be done to prevent the west gallery leading to the press gallery being so completely filled that ingress or egress of the newspaper men is practically impossible.

**No Division Tuesday.**

There is good reason to believe that the debate will be prolonged several days. The arrangement between the two leaders is to the effect that there shall be no division on the resolution of the Premier before Tuesday, but a gentleman who ought to know is authority for the statement that the whole week will probably be occupied, and that the opposition will not tamely submit to taking the case out of the hands of the Privileges and Elections Committee of the House. The member for West York (Mr. St. John) can easily talk for two hours on a matter of such moment. He will have a host of authorities to quote in support of the contention that parliament is the proper body to deal with questions involving the honor of any of its members. After Mr. St. John there are several others who are anxious to talk, and as the routine business of the legislature will take a portion of the time, when the Gamey debate is taken up each day the members will have to be tongue-tied, indeed, if they can't manage to talk for an hour on such a live and interesting topic. A good deal, however, rests with the government. On Friday it showed a disposition to let the debate flag, but that its supporters will be satisfied to rest quietly in their seats and hear the whole question of electoral corruption threshed out without replying is more than the ordinary individual can understand. It is a new session, and there are many new members who are anxious to try their oratory on the legislature, and they ought to have a chance. At any rate, the opposition has shown a tendency to f-i-g-h-t, to use the beautifully expressive language employed by Premier Ross last fall, and they claim that there are many more things to tell yet.

**Still an Absorbing Topic.**

Around the hotels the topic continues to be an absorbing one. Most of the members hied away home Friday night, but a few who remained in the city were the centre of interested groups Saturday and Sunday, and the probable outcome was much discussed. Precedents for the action of Mr. Whitney were referred to, and the celebrated trial of the charges against the "Brawling Brood of Bribers" in 1884 was rehearsed by many. In this case there was no suggestion for a reference to a commission, and the legislature did not adjourn while the Committee on Privileges and Elections investigated the charges. The session was nearly over when the sensation was sprung on the legislature, and because the investigation could not be finished in time the committee advised the appointment of a commission to continue the inquiry. The Privileges and Elections Committee of the Dominion parliament heard the McGreevy charges, and the result of the investigation drove Sir Hector Langevin, a Minister of the Crown, into private life, and Mr. McGreevy to the penitentiary. Yet this committee was chosen by a Conservative parliament. The Caron charges were referred to a royal commission, and so disgusted were the accusers with that proceeding that they refused to appear before the commission, and the charges were dropped.

**The Pacific Scandal.**

When the Pacific scandal agitated Canada a special commission of the House was chosen to probe for facts. It was then discovered that the committee had no power to examine witnesses under oath, and an act was passed giving them the necessary power. The prosecution refused to appear before the commission, and the Liberals fought desperately for the contention that the matter should not be taken out of the hands of parliament.

Another point urged against the royal commission is the outcome of the Mercier investigation. After the rottenness of the administration had been exposed by a parliamentary committee, and Mercier had been decisively defeated at the polls, he was practically exonerated by Judge Jette, now Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec.

**Will Stratton Resign?**

Will the accused Minister be permitted to vote? is being asked with annoying persistency. Will he hold his portfolio? is another question that a good many people desire to have answered. The Langevin case is recalled in this connection. The charges were levelled at McGreevy, but when they reached Sir Hector Langevin he declined to take part in the consideration of the question, and resigned his portfolio while he was under a cloud. The cloud not rolling by to any extent, he continued to remain out of the cabinet, and eventually retired into political oblivion.

"Parliament is supreme; it is above the law," was the comment of a Conservative member yesterday. That sizes up the situation so far as the opposition are concerned.

**Dr. Reaume's Statement.**

The statement of Dr. Reaume, member for North Essex, that he had been approached by a Liberal member and tempted with the offer of the Speakership, on condition that he should forsake Whitney, seems to have drawn an explanation from Mr. Haycock, the erstwhile Patron member for Frontenac, that the whole thing was a joke and nothing more. Dr. Reaume did not name the member who approached him, as he promised the gentleman in question he would not do so, but as Mr. Haycock has let the cat out of the bag in an interview there is no secret about it now. John Lee, M.L.A. for East Kent, is the man, and details will come out before the Court of Enquiry. It is understood that Dr. Reaume will tell the judges of the committee of the legislature, whichever it may be, that he was twice approached. The second time the accused member went to Dr. Reaume's house to see him, but he was not at home, and the matter was discussed with the doctor's wife, who was quite indignant that such a shameful proposition should be made to her husband. The question arises: If the proposal had been merely a joke, would the Liberal member who made it have gone so far as to go to the house and endeavor to secure the influence of Mrs. Reaume to carry out the change of heart of the member.

**Scope of the Inquiry.**

The intention of the government in regard to the scope of the inquiry will not be known until the Premier lays his instructions on the table. It is believed, however, that the government will yield to popular clamor so far as to widen the powers of the judges, if the charges are to be investigated by a judicial commission. At any rate the Conservatives will probably refrain from making any suggestion as to the personnel of the court.

### SLEUTHS WATCHING GAMEY.

**Manitoulin Member Can't Make a Move Detectives Don't Follow.**

Never were the movements of any man more carefully watched and rigorously followed than those of R. R. Gamey. The member for Manitoulin is being spied on continually. His friend and bodyguard, the husky W. R. Smyth from Algoma, has him always under his eye, but the sleuth is ever present. The World last night saw Messrs. Gamey and Smyth at the Walker House rotunda. Captain Clark, the hero of Centre Bruce, and Captain McAllister, the doughty skipper of the SS. Alberta, were also present. A tall, well-dressed man pulled up a chair and drew close. He pulled out a paper and appeared to be reading intently.

"That's one of them," said Gamey. "Take a good look at him. I don't know who he is and where he comes from, but he dogs my footsteps continually. So soon as he leaves another comes. What they are after I cannot conceive, but my every movement is being carefully noted."

The conversation was general and non-political. The spy evidently grew tired and left, but in a moment some one sauntered up and took the vacant seat. Gamey laughed. "I don't mind one bit," he said.

"Sullivan and I have been acquainted for ten or twelve years," said Mr. Gamey. He used to live at Sault Ste. Marie, and I knew him there. The first time he ever tried to do business with me was on that memorable midnight visit to my house at Gore Bay, when he tried to "buy me over" to the Liberal party. Sullivan is not a man that would appeal to me. There is absolutely nothing in common between us.

**"Tom Lewis of London came to my room Thursday morning at 2 o'clock,"** said Mr. Gamey, in reply to a question of The World. "Unfortunately, I did not know who he was, or it would have been the worse for the visitor. 'Tom' Lewis. The number of my room is 91, but, on that night, **I was sleeping in the room occupied by my friend, Smyth, member for Algoma.** About 2 o'clock in the morning a man came up to Room 91, and battered at the door. **Then he got a key and opened it.** Smyth and I were in the next room, and Smyth opened the door, and asked what the man wanted.

**"I Want to See Gamey."**

"The man came up to the room. 'My name is Macdonald; I want to see Gamey,' he said. Neither of us knew the man, and Smyth asked the fellow to come in. We had both retired for the night. The man stumbled into the room as tho he were full, but I saw at a glance that it was merely a pretense. He shook hands with me profusely, congratulated me, and told me I was a brick. At that juncture Smyth had sized the man up, and told him to leave the room, as it was very late.

"The man evidently took the hint, and walked right out, seemingly forgetting his role of intoxication. Had we known who it was, that fellow **who gave his name as Macdonald, would have had the hottest time of his life right there in that room. We would have been perfectly justified in throwing him out. Any stranger that breaks into another man's room at 2 o'clock in the morning deserves all he gets.**

**Stratton's Invitation to Dine.**

**"Yes; I was invited to the dinner given by the Provincial Secretary, but I was unavoidably detained.** From all accounts it was a rather funereal affair. It must have been like the last meal of the condemned man before his execution. The skeleton of corruption rattling its dry bones must have been plainly heard above the chink of the glasses."

Mr. Smyth corroborated Mr. Gamey's story concerning the Lewis incident. "We have got them going now," said the member for Algoma, "and the finish is in full view. The whole concern is rotten to the core, absolutely rotten, was the trenchant criticism of the stalwart New Ontario man.

Mr. Smyth has gone out of town for Sunday, but Mr. Gamey remains.

"What is the big card you are holding up your sleeve?" Mr. Gamey was asked on Sunday night.

"Oh, I don't know that there is any," he replied evasively.

"Is it anything to do with the disposition of that $1500?"

"Oh, I don't think I have anything to say further just now."

"Where is that money?"

"I know where it is, but I can't say anything about that yet."

"Why?"

In reply, Mr. Gamey said he had told Mr. McPherson and Mr. Blake where the money was, and they thought it wise that the information be kept as close as possible for a little while.

Th impression is that Mr. Gamey will considerably strengthen his already strong case when he tells where the bribery funds are, and that there is a strong reason for his silence at present.

From the attitude of Mr. Gamey and Mr. Smyth of Algoma, who is never far away from him, there is little room for doubt that they have something more sensational coming, and they are of the opinion that more startling details are in sight from Dr. Reaume and Mr. Sutherland of South Oxford.

**Member Who Opens Fight To-Day.**

J. W. St. John, M.L.A. for West York, who will continue the debate on the Gamey charges in the legislature to-day, is a barrister. He was born in the township of Brock, Ontario County, in 1854, and was educated at Victoria University, in Cobourg, where he received the degree of B.A. in 1881, being admitted as an attorney in 1884 and called to the bar in 1894. He is a senator of Toronto University and was for some years president of the general executive of the Methodist Sunday-school Union. He was elected for West York in the general election of 1894 and sat in the legislature till 1898. He was again elected in May last after being out of the House four years.

### NO MATTER WHO SUFFERS.

**Ottawa Minister Says Scandal Should Be Strictly Investigated.**

Ottawa, March 15.—The Gamey scandal was alluded to in an indirect way by Rev. Dr. Herridge in St. Andrew's Church to-night. In referring to the necessity of purity in public life, he said that when charges are made against public men they should be investigated with rigid strictness and impartiality, no matter what man or party was likely to suffer as a result. The moral tone of the country demands that no public man shall hold office against whom the shadow of suspicion rested. In St. George's Church, in the morning, Rev. J. W. Snowden preached on the necessity of a high standard in life, and said that recent events in Ontario were deplorable.

### WOULD IMPEACH A JUDGE.

**Brockville Jurist Exiled Young Men From Province.**

Ottawa, March 15.—(Special.)—A deputation of citizens of Brockville was in the city on Saturday to seek legal advice and to see the Minister of Justice. The deputation desired to take the necessary proceedings to impeach Judge McDonald because of his recent judgment in which he exiled the men from Ontario. This is given as only one of the causes for the action looking towards impeachment of the judge.

A few days ago Judge McDonald of Brockville, gave a somewhat peculiar verdict, in which he is said to have condemned three young men to exile from the Province of Ontario, one for a period of not less than five years. That he exceeded his jurisdiction in dealing with territory outside his own county is evident, to say nothing of the legality of such a verdict. Now it is said that steps are to be taken to impeach him. Mr. Thomas Tompkins of Brockville, who is here, said a local legal firm has been retained to prepare a case against the judge and he also says the Minister of Justice was advised of the intended action on Saturday. Mr. Tompkins is a well-known contractor.

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**Identity of the Stenographers**

The question of the identity of the three stenographers that were secreted in the room of the Crossin Piano Company on that memorable Tuesday evening and heard Frank Sullivan's incriminating story, has been a vexed one, and many efforts to solve the problem of identification have been made. The World has discovered the names of two of these men. The authority from which the information was gathered is of the highest. The identity of the third of the trio is as yet undecided. The two men in question are the sons of W. H. Price, the editor of The Algoma Conservator, a weekly paper published at Gore bay. The young men in question are now in Toronto studying law, and it was owing to the fact that Mr. Gamey had known them since they were boys that he asked them to be present at the already famous interview with Sullivan in the dark room of the piano factory. They have their shorthand notes of what Frank Sullivan said, and will testify at the hearing.

**GETTING READY THE GARDEN.**

JACK CANUCK (to Gardener Laurier): Oh, there's plenty to do. I want all this litter disposed of, and this Public Ownership seed put in just as quickly as you can do it.

JOHN R. McGREGOR.

LATEST PICTURE OF R. R. GAMEY.

Among the list of names mentioned in the statement of R. R. Gamey to the legislature, that of J. R. McGregor stands out more prominently than the others. McGregor was the man behind the gun. To McGregor it was that Gamey revealed the facts of the case as far back as Aug. 12 of last year; and it was McGregor who told him to go and get evidence. It is morally certain that Gamey's plans for the securing of reliable evidence against the government would not have been carried to such a successful issue had it not been for the backing up and moral support that the member for Manitoulin received from McGregor. The latter in his capacity as secretary of the Manitoulin District Conservative Association had to keep under control the members of that association in regard to the defection of Gamey from their party. His was a hard role. It was necessary for him to denounce the member for his breach of faith, and on the other hand to quietly support him in the collection of evidence against the government. It was essential that the revelation of the colossal piece of Liberal trickery should be made at the proper moment, and in the proper place. McGregor engineered it splendidly. Had he permitted Gamey to make a clean breast of everything to the Conservative Association the plans would have been spoiled. The government would have been in sporting parlance, "tipped off" and the exposure would have fallen flat.

John Russell McGregor was for some years a resident of Toronto. Mr. McGregor was a druggist here, but some years ago was recommended to go to Manitoulin on account of ill-health. He found the bracing air of that northern country agreed with him so much that he decided to remain, and started a retail druggist's establishment in the Town of Gore Bay. Mr. McGregor was always interested in politics, and on taking up his residence in Gore Bay identified himself with the Conservative party. He is secretary of the Conservative Association, has served as Mayor of Gore Bay, and has built up a lucrative business. Mr. McGregor owns the wharf, and is one of the representative men of Manitoulin Island.

He is well known here in the City of Toronto. He married a Toronto woman.

## Fatal Wreck at Oakville Between Freight Trains

Oakville, March 15.—(Special.)—A rear end collision of two east bound Grand Trunk freight trains occurred at 1 o'clock Sunday morning just opposite the station platform.

An east bound freight, Engine 597, was at the station picking up a couple of cars when, without warning, another east bound train, Engine 715, crashed into the rear of the standing cars.

Daniel J. McGuire, the forward brakeman of the second train, was killed, the engine derailed and half a dozen cars were completely destroyed. The escape of the engineer and fireman is little short of miraculous. Both crawled thru the cab window to safety after the locomotive had come to a standstill in the ditch.

Carelessness on the part of a company employe is responsible for the accident, which cost Daniel McGuire his life. Who that official is will be determined at the coroner's inquest to be held on Tuesday. Either Hiram Albertson, night agent at Oakville station, or the engineer of the second train must bear the blame. As usual the stories of some of the train men and the station agent are conflicting, but witnesses declare that the semaphore was against the train that crashed thru the shunting freight.

**Conflicting Reports of Employes.**

They say that Agent Albertson sought to signal the train with his lantern, but without effect. The engineer on the other hand claims that there were no signals against him.

The first freight was shunting cars on the siding when the second train, bearing down the grade at 40 miles an hour, collided with the standing cars. Neither the engineer nor the fireman could have seen the train ahead, or the probability is that they would have jumped. The weight of the heavy grain cars adjoining the locomotive sent it off the rails, which accounts for the comparatively small amount of damage inflicted upon the standing train. The caboose of the latter was smashed into kindling wood.

DANIEL McQUIRE,
Brakeman Killed in Wreck.

**Killed at His Post.**

McGuire was at his post close to the engine when the collision occurred. He was probably signalling with his lantern to the rear end brakeman and had no warning of the danger into which he was rushing. Death must have been almost instantaneous. He was found under the engine wedged into the corn which filled the car adjacent to the engine. There was little or no apparent injury to the body. Daniel McGuire was smothered in the corn. His body was removed to the station, and later to Undertaker Youngs.

Coroner Williams empanelled a jury during the afternoon, and next Tuesday an effort will be made to fix the responsibility for

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## Mr. Stratton's Version of Bribery Case As Published By the Paper He Owns

### Provincial Secretary's Peterboro Journal Boldly Asserts That the Cabinet Minister's Organization of the Province at Last General Elections Saved Government From Defeat.

"His organization of the Province at the last general elections is credited with having saved the government from defeat."—**Extract from Mr. Stratton's defence in his own paper.**

Under the title of "The Real Intention of the Gamey Scheme," Hon. J. R. Stratton makes his defence in The Peterboro Examiner on the charges connecting him with the Gamey scandal. The paper is the property of the Provincial Secretary, and the two columns of space devoted to his view of the situation can probably be accepted in the nature of an inspired utterance. This is the first detailed explanation of the case offered by the official of the government who figures most prominently in the alleged effort to secure the support of the Conservative member for Manitoulin by bribery. Here is Mr. Stratton's story:

"The real intention of the Gamey scheme, Hon. Mr. Stratton the special object of attack. Unworthy tactics of the opposition. Mr. Whitney's studied stage effects. A deliberately concerted plan. The opposition policy of prejudicing the case. Sensational attempts to discredit government.

"The statements made by Mr. Gamey of Manitoulin in the House on Wednesday, in which he sought to implicate Hon. Mr. Stratton, are to be referred for the most thoro inquiry to a Royal Commission of two Superior Court judges, whose high character warrants the assertion that the inquiry will be conducted in the interests of fairness and in a perfectly impartial manner.

**What is Wrong in This.**

"Pending this investigation, The Examiner does not desire to influence public opinion unduly, yet it is fair to state that Mr. Stratton absolutely and positively denies Mr. Gamey's statement to the effect that any corrupt consideration or money was given or promised. Which statements, it may be pointed out, do not bear close scrutiny. Investigation will show that Mr. Gamey approaches the government and offers his support; that he goes to the government as a friend, and is courteously received; that his correspondence, under these conditions, is promptly replied to with the courtesy that should regulate the amenities of intercourse between departments of the government and representatives of the people who profess to be friendly to their administration or indeed any representative, no matter what his relations to the government. Surely these circumstances do not constitute a crime or a corrupt act. One of the good qualities of the Provincial Secretary is the promptitude with which he replies to correspondence, and this particular feature of the business aptitude and business qualities with which Mr. Stratton is by common consent exceptionally endowed, resulted in Mr. Gamey's correspondence receiving prompt reply. It may well be asked what is there that is wrong in the correspondence which was submitted to the House by the member for Manitoulin? Were letters addressed to a government department by a member of the legislature to be ignored?

"As to the statement that Mr. Stratton gave or promised Mr. Gamey any consideration or money as a condition of the latter's support, Mr. Stratton declares it as false a statement as can possibly be made. The very evidence which Mr. Gamey advances will be the very evidence that will have the greatest weight in condemning his action.

**Attacks on Mr. Stratton.**

"Mr. Stratton has for long been the object of frequent and bitter attacks by the Conservative press. No more vicious and malignant attack could possibly be made upon any man, public or private, than that made upon him in connection with No. 5 dam on the Otonabee River. No more bitter attempt to discredit Mr. Stratton could have been made, if he had been charged with appropriating the whole Trent waterway system. These attacks were without any justification whatever. Facts have since shown that Mr. Stratton had no interest in the work in question, except the public interest, which has been served to the extent that the power at this dam has been developed, and the public are getting the benefit of its use, and several industries are being supplied with power. Mr. Gamey's story in reference to Mr. Stratton will be found equally futile and foundationless as the No. 5 dam slander.

**The Reason for Attack.**

"Some of the Conservative press and some of the Conservative leaders would like to crush Mr. Stratton. They wish to have him out of the way, because they regard him as a strong man in his own constituency and a strong man in the province.

**"His organization of the province at the last general elections is credited with having saved the Government from defeat."**

"The opposition know this, and hence their bitterness, and the persistence of their attacks, from time to time.

**Demands Thoro Investigation.**

"As to the latest form of attack, represented, in part, by the Gamey charges, Mr. Stratton is not afraid of the most searching investigation; and both personally and as a member of the government wants an investigating tribunal that will deal fairly with the case, and in a spirit free from partisan bias or party rancor. Mr. Stratton does not want the investigation to be conducted by a committee of the House, which would of necessity be of party composition. He might as well refer the matter to a committee of Peterboro Liberals. The finding of such a committee, tho it might justifiably exculpate any person charged, would not be received as satisfactory, especially by the Conservative element of the province. Mr. Stratton and the government desire the submission of the matter to a commission of judges, whose finding, no matter what its nature, would command the respect and compel the acquiescence of both shades of political opinion—whose decision would not be influenced by any partisan bias.

**A Concerted Plan.**

"Tho Mr. Whitney and the opposition profess to have received Mr. Gamey's 'revelations' in the legislature on Wednesday as a surprise, there is evidence, especially to those more or less familiar with the circumstances, that the leader of the opposition, and at least his chief supporters, were fully cognizant of the arrangement and development of the scheme of which Mr. Gamey was the apparent manipulator, and that material assistance was given him. When Mr. Gamey first publicly announced his decision to support the government he was pounced upon by the Conservative press. But before long certain prominent Conservative journals were taken into the secret, and mild references were made to the probability of Mr. Gamey still being among the faithful.

**Mr. Whitney's Dramatics.**

"No doubt the scene in the House was carefully prearranged and rehearsed in the opposition lobby. Mr. Whitney had left his seat and taken a vacant seat nearer Mr. Gamey. At the conclusion of the latter's remarks, when he aid that he would place the documents he had used in the care of his leader, Mr. J. P. Whitney, he took these documents and walked down the gangway opposite Mr. Whitney, and the latter, rising, struck a pose and accepted the proffered documents, 'speaking his lines' at the same time: 'What do you want me to do with these papers?' 'Whatever you see fit.' Mr. Whitney then with a flourish bore the papers aloft to his desk and lifting the lid ostentatiously locked the desk. This arrangement for dramatic effect was quite apparent, and argued a previous knowledge. . . ."

### SATISFY SUBSIDY SEEKERS

**All Railroad Schemes to Be Turned Over to Transportation Commission for Close Scrutiny.**

### HOSTILITY GENERAL AS TO A GRANT

**The West Will Protect Lands, and East Objects to Cash Consideration.**

Ottawa, March 15.—(World staff correspondent.)—The latest speculation on the railway projects is that nothing will be done till the transportation commission hands in its report, as it seems to be the general belief that all the schemes will be turned over to it. Besides Sir William Van Horne, it is expected that Hon. A. G. Blair will be a member of the commission. Walter Scott, M.P., of Regina, says that it would be foolish to put money into any scheme without knowing just what will have to be done. He considers the railway projects so far are merely in the air. He expects the transportation commission to bring them down to earth. He is strongly opposed to any land grant, and declares the west is with him on this point.

**Ontario Senatorship**

The Ontario members of the cabinet held a protracted meeting Saturday afternoon to discuss the filling of the remaining vacant senatorship in Ontario. If the usual order is filled, the position will go to a Hamilton man, not unlikely to T. H. McPherson, ex-M.P. If the usual rule is not followed, W. C. Edwards, M.P., has a chance for it. He wants it.

**Senate Now Liberal.**

The Senate of Canada is now Liberal. It has been reformed by Father Time. During the recess seven deaths have occurred—Senator Armand, appointed Oct. 23, 1867; Senator O'Donohoe, appointed May 21, 1882; Senator Clemow, appointed Feb. 3, 1885; Senator McCallum, appointed Feb. 4, 1887; Senator Wood, appointed Jan. 21, 1891; Senator Primrose, appointed Nov. 28, 1892; Senator Dechene, appointed May 13, 1901; four Conservatives and three Liberals. The vacancies are filled by Liberals, of course. The standing of the parties is:

| | Con. | Lib. |
|---|---|---|
| Ontario | 11 | 13 |
| Quebec | 11 | 13 |
| New Brunswick | 3 | 7 |
| Nova Scotia | 5 | 5 |
| Prince Edward I. | 2 | 2 |
| British Columbia | 2 | 1 |
| Manitoba | 2 | 2 |
| N. W. T. | 2 | .. |
| Total | 38 | 43 |

Thus the Senate will be Liberal by five majority. Senators Dickie, O'Brien, Aikins and Gowan are ill and will not be present. Senator Masson's seat is voided by reason of his absence, so the probable majority for the Liberals at the opening of the Senate will be eleven.

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### FRENCH SHORE QUESTION.

**Appointment of Squadron Commander Presages Action.**

St. John's, Nfld., March 14.—Governor Boyle has been notified that Commodore Count de Monteferrands has been re-appointed to the command of the French squadron in Newfoundland waters for the present season, his term being specialy extended for a year. This appointment is believed to presage diplomatic developments in the French shore question.

Antidotes for "every man," Lovey Mary and Mrs Wiggs.

**TO-DAY IN TORONTO.**

Ministerial Association, Y.M.C.A., 10.30 a.m.
Woman's Art Association, Confederation Life Building, 11 a.m.
Canadian Club luncheon, McConkey's, 1 p.m.
Eulterian Club dinner, Webb's, 6.15 p.m.
Medical lecture course, Armouries, 8 p.m.
Natural history section, Canadian Institute, 8 p.m.
A. O. H. concert, Massey Hall, 8 p.m.
Young Liberals, St. George's Hall, 8 p.m.
Mulock Liberal Club, 188 Parliament-street, 8 p.m.

### GERMANY GETS FIRST MONEY.

**Cash Deposited at Caracas to Settle Part of Claim.**

Caracas, March 15.—The amount of the first payment due to Germany, under the Washington agreement, was deposited in a safe at the Treasury today, and will be paid on the order of the German Minister, Herr Von Pelldrum. The latter is expected to arrive here next Tuesday.

VERY CHEAP FLOWERS.
Roses 25c per doz., Tulips 25c per doz., Daffodils 25c per doz. All absolutely fresh. College Flower Shop, 445 Yonge St. Phone N. 1192.

Fire at Exhibition Grounds.
From some unknown cause a fire broke out yesterday afternoon in the hay shed in the east end of the Exhibition Grounds. About $20 worth of hay was burned and about $10 damage was done to the building.

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If Not, Why Not?
You should have an Accident Policy. See Walter H. Blight, Phone 2270, Medical Building, Bay and Richmond-Streets. 136

SANDERSON'S MOUNTAIN DEW SCOTCH
Just right for home supply.

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The McIntosh Granite & Marble Company, Limited, 1119 and 1121 Yonge-street. Tel. 4249. Terminal Yonge-street car route.

**BIRTHS.**

MANNING—On Thursday, March 12, the wife of M. E. Manning, of a daughter.

**DEATHS.**

BURTON—On 15th inst., Frank, aged 7 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burton.
Funeral from 342 Ontario-street, Tuesday, at 3 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

GORDON—At Toronto Junction, on March 13, 1903, George Gordon, aged 35 years.
Funeral from Speers' undertaking establishment, Monday, March 16, at 2 p.m.

KELLY—On Sunday morning, March 15th, at 97 Gladstone-avenue, William Horace Kelly, in his 65th year.
Funeral at 2.30 p.m. Tuesday (private).

RADCLIFFE—On Sunday, March 15th, at her father's residence, 253 King-street east, Mary Florence (Florrie), the beloved daughter of Charles Radcliffe, in her 19th year.
Funeral on Tuesday, the 17th, to Mount Pleasant. Friends please accept this intimation.

EDWARDS & COMPANY, Chartered Accountants, 26 Wellington St. East, Geo. Edwards, F.C.A., A. H. Edwards.

**OPERATED IN 5 SECONDS.**

New York, March 15.—Dr. Frederick Mueller, pupil of Dr. Lorenz, made a record yesterday in the bloodless method of reducing congenital dislocation of the hip. He performed an operation on Lizzie Rabin, ten years old, in five seconds, manipulating the deformed limb and completing the operation in that time.

The New Stiff Felt Hats.

A bright spring day like yesterday shows up all the shabby spots in your garments, especially in your hat. Now, when you need a new hat, you might as well just get the best out, in style and quality, for style doesn't cost anything, and in quality you get your money's worth. Dineen Company have all the latest stiff felt Derby hats, $2 to $5. Dineen is Dunlap's sole Canadian agents.

**GENERALLY FAIR.**

Meteorological Office, Toronto, March 15.—(8 p.m.)—Since Saturday the Northwest cold wave has passed across Canada far to the northward, causing somewhat colder weather in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, but no material change in temperature in the lower lake region. Fairly mild conditions now prevail thruout the northwestern portion of the continent and the general outlook appears to be mild.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 34—46; Calgary, 18 below—34; Qu'Appelle, zero—22; Winnipeg, 10 below—20; Port Arthur, 12—26; Parry Sound, 28—36; Toronto, 34—41; Ottawa, 20—34; Montreal, 24—32; Quebec, 20—28; Halifax, 24—44.

**Probabilities.**

**Lower Lakes and Georgian Bay—Easterly winds; generally fair; not much change in temperature.**

Ottawa Valley, Upper and Lower St. Lawrence—Easterly winds; fair; stationary or slightly higher temperatures.

Manitoba—Fair; stationary or a little higher temperature.

Antidotes for "every man," Lovey Mary and Mrs. Wiggs.

Did you ever try the top barrel?

Antidotes for "every man," Lovey Mary and Mrs. Wiggs.

Spring lamb—New Carlton Monday.

**STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.**

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