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PROBS—Strong winds; decreasing at night;
clearing, and turning colder again.

Legislature Opening In Midst of Blizzard Not as Gay as Usual

But Many Ladies Present to Wit-
ness Ceremonies, Nevertheless,
and House Gets Down to Busi-
ness Immediately.

DEBATE ON THE ADDRESS TO BE FINISHED TO-DAY

A cheque for \$2,000,000 is much more
attractive to a man than a mineral
deposit of equal value. Similarly the
Ontario Legislature, which represents
the two millions of Ontario population
by proxy, is more attractive than the
gold population in the raw. It is good
legal tender, too, that Queen's Park
cheque, with his honor's signature in
the corner countersigning the august
autograph of Great Edward the Peace-
maker in assurance that Ontario folks
are good for anything for which they
may draw.

Ladies are not allowed to sit on the
parliamentary benches on ordinary oc-
casions, but when they do get a chance
they show what they could do, and
they crowd the poor male members out
into the lobbies and corridors or under
the gallery as if they had no business
there. Even his honor the lieutenant-
governor does not feel quite secure
without a military guard to protect
him to the foot of the throne, from
which he delivers annually the Delphic
message which is to mean so much
so little before the close of the session.
The crowd yesterday was as great as
ever, but the scene was not so brilliant
as last year. Banks have staggered
and stocks have fallen while the beau-
tiful maiden "Credit" has been swal-
lowed by the monster "Loss-of-Confi-
dence" before a noble knight in
armor, "Retrenchment" could come to her
rescue. The ladies were as handsome
as ever and their clothes were costly
enough, but there was a subdued tone
as of semi-mourning about the specta-
cle which robbed it of the rich and gay
and gaudy effect which is customary
at the opening of the session.

Some Who Were There.
The house was filled with extra chairs
and the floor of the house was given
over to distinguished guests. Ladies,
however, were predominant, and oc-
cupied nearly all the room. Chancellor
Burwash, President Falconer and Rev.
Dr. Albert Carman were a big attrac-
tion. Behind them sat Hon. W. A.
Charlton, Rev. Dr. Summerhayes and
S. Nordheimer, the German consul, in
uniform. On the east side of the
house, were the Hon. J. H. McLean,
A. B. Ingram and H. M. Kitchin of the
Ontario Railway Board, Ald. Bengough,
Dr. A. E. Pyne and George W. Y. Car-
lton, who had seats in this row. Members
of the T. and N. O. Railway Commission,
the hydro-electric commission, officers
of the house, cabinet ministers and pri-
vate members stood about wherever
they had a chance.

Shortly before 3 o'clock Lady Clark
entered on the arm of the prime min-
ister, and followed by Miss Clark and
Miss Elsie Clark, and the Misses Flor-
ence and Mabel Reid, nieces of His
Honor Sir Northrup.

At 2:57 the strains of the National
Anthem were heard outside, and the
gun of B Battery prolonged away
times in salute. Whether in emulation
must be left to the weatherman to say,
but the east wind immediately began
to blow great gusts and a howling bliz-
zard descended on the park and smothered
under the smoke in snow.

His honor entered the chamber punctu-
ally at 3 o'clock, with Premier Whitney,
attended by the military secretary, J.
Fraser MacDonald, the aide-de-camp,
Capt. Douglas Young, and about 20 of-
ficers, among whom were: Lieutenant
Walworth, 8th Battery; Lieut. Allan,
6th; Lieut. Roy, 1st; Lieut. Denison,
R.C.R.; Lieut. McCull, G.G.B.G.; Maj.
Thorne, Q.O.R.; Maj. Macpherson, A.
M.C.; Maj. Wyatt, City Brigade; Maj.
Miche, 6th; Maj. Reckert, Mississauga;
Capt. Van Straubenzee, R.C.D.;
Capt. Allan, Q.O.R.; Capt. Porter, R.G.;
Capt. Richardson, 9th Battery; Brig-
Gen. Otter; Col. Ryerson; Lieut.-Col.
Galloway, D.A.G.; Lieut.-Col. V. A. S.
Williams, R.C.D.; Lieut.-Col. Hall, R.
C.D.; Lieut.-Col. Mason, Q.O.R.; Lieut.-
Col. Robertson, 48th; Rev. Canon Bald-
win, chaplain, R.G.

"Honorable members, please be seat-
ed," said his honor, removing his hat
courteously, and everybody who stood
up when he came in, sat down. Then
his honor read the speech. He changed
"additional" into "including" in the
"Address dealing with normal schools,
and further on, in speaking of the con-
ferences with the Dominion Govern-
ment, he substituted "regarding" for
"relating to," but otherwise he read
quite correctly, and 98 is a high mark.

Speech From the Throne.

Mr. Speaker, and gentlemen of the
Legislative Assembly:
It affords me satisfaction to once
more meet you as the representatives
of the people in parliament assembled.
Our thanks are due to Almighty God
that, while in some sections of the

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DR. F. H. MOSS KILLED.
Was Nephew of Sir Charles Moss of
Toronto.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Feb. 5.—The mutil-
ated body of Dr. F. H. Moss of Palo
Alto, Cal., to-day was found on a rail-
road track near Morgan Hill. Dr. Moss
was once chief justice in San Fran-
cisco, his uncle, Sir Charles Moss, now
occupying that position.

The Toronto World

THIRTY-FOUR PAGES—THURSDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 6, 1908—TWELVE PAGES.

QUEBEC TO DIVIDE SEASON WITH HALIFAX

Lord Strathcona Said
to Have Been Won
Over by the C.P.R.
Ocean Line
Argument.

MONTREAL, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—
Some very interesting items gained
credence to-day with reference to the
fast line. The statement is made that
Lord Strathcona has given up his ad-
vocacy of Halifax as the all-year-
round port and will henceforth support
the Canadian Pacific's contention that
Quebec is the proper summer port for
the C.P.R. or any other fast steamship
line that may be established between
the Dominion and Great Britain.

It will be remembered that the Cana-
dian high commissioner has on more
than one occasion pronounced himself
strongly in favor of the Halifax route
both in winter and summer, so if the
report be true that his lordship has
changed his views, it will be looked
upon as a signal triumph for Sir Thos.
Shaughnessy, who is credited with
holding to the Quebec summer port
idea against all comers.

The statement was made the first of
the week that Lord Strathcona had
sailed for Canada to consult with the
Canadian government on the subject,
but the news of his sailing was prema-
ture, although it is more than probable
that he may be here at a very early
date and that his mission is not a
stranger to the fast line.

May Be a Compromise.
A very important statement was also
made to-day as to the probable attitude
of the Dominion Government on this
very question. Robert Bickerdike, M.
P., stated that he looked for a com-
promise whereby the Canadian Pacific
would get the contract and that the
company would adopt Halifax as the
winter port for their fast line, while
Quebec would be adhered to in their
summer runnings.

Being asked if the imperial authori-
ties would not object to such an ar-
rangement in view of the strong pres-
sure the Black Sea people would be
able to bring to bear upon them, the
answer came that the home govern-
ment would be sure to be guided by the
policy adopted at Ottawa and that it
had been fully decided that the Cana-
dian Pacific scheme was sure to be ac-
cepted by the Canadian Government.
The great project, he said, would em-
brace the double-tracking of the C.P.R.
between Quebec and Montreal, so that
fast trains will run over the road at 50
miles an hour.

It was also thought that Halifax
would not doubt be adopted as the win-
ter port, yet the statement is also made
that Mr. Hays of the Grand Trunk Pa-
cific is strongly for Halifax all the year
round, and that his company will op-
pose any policy that does not give an
independent steamship line on the At-
lantic.

Two Fast Fleets.
No doubt, therefore, if the C.P.R. do
establish a fast line, the Grand Trunk
Pacific will have quite as good a one,
and that Halifax will be their port
both in winter and summer.

It is said that the C.P.R. service was
up to the last moment of the directors
held in this city and it was decided to
transfer the two Empresses to the Pa-
cific and that two or three new boats of
equal or greater speed than the Lusitania
and Mauretania, will be put on the
Atlantic, coming to Halifax in win-
ter and Quebec in summer.

FOUND DEAD IN BED.

Daniel Kearns, Laborer, Had Not Been
Seen Since Tuesday.

Daniel Kearns, a laborer, about 50
years of age, was found dead in his
room in the Salvation Army Hotel at
27 Wilton-avenue, at 8:30 o'clock last
night. He was removed to the Morgue
in the police patrol wagon.

It is thought that death is due to
heart failure, and an inquest is un-
likely, the matter has been reported
to the chief coroner.

Kearns, of whom little is known
retired, Tuesday night, but was not
seen yesterday. His room was enter-
ed at night and he was found to have
been dead several hours.

Torontonians Are in Syndicate To Mine for Brazil Diamonds

New Discoveries in South America Will, 'Tis Said,
Slash the Price of Sparklers.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The slump in
the diamond trade, according to a re-
presentative of Tiffany's, is due to the
fact that diamonds of fine quality and
lustre have been found in such quan-
tities in Brazil, on the Tegutinhonha
River, that the De Beers syndicate is
threatened with ruin.

These diamonds, it is said by expert
mining engineers and metallurgists, can
be mined, cut and marketed at a price
that will cut the price of the De Beers
syndicate product in two.
The news of this Brazilian find has
been widely disseminated through the
United States and Canada by the Bra-
zilian Dredging Co. of this city, with

THAWING OUT THE LEGISLATURE PUMP.



FARMER WHITNEY: Mighty good of you to start her again, Gov'nor.

TURK TROOPS ON THE MOVE

Alarm Felt That Hostili-
ties in Caucasus
May Be Ap-
proaching.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 5.—Recent
advices received from the Caucasus in-
dicate that the Russian inhabitants are
considerably alarmed over the concen-
tration of Turkish troops in Armenia
and the region seized from Persia,
which, it is believed, is designed as a
reply to any attempt at demonstra-
tion on the part of Russia.

Under the cover of Kurdish tribes-
men, the Turks are reported as mass-
ing infantry, Bayazid and other s.-at-
tack points near the frontier in such
strength as to dispose of the probabili-
ties of Turkish troops in Armenia
and the region seized from Persia,
which, it is believed, is designed as a
reply to any attempt at demonstra-
tion on the part of Russia.

The authorities here, also admitting
the possibility of hostilities with
Turkey, over which Russians there are
penky, is utterly excluded. Certain
precautionary measures, however, are
being taken by the military council, and
during the past three weeks all regiments
in that territory have been notified
to hold themselves in readiness to
move at short notice.

AN EXPENSIVE PRISONER.

Is \$240 Ahead on Doctor's Bill by
Incarceration.

WELLAND, Feb. 5.—Harry Groot's
enjoys the distinction of being the most
expensive prisoner ever incarcerated in
this county.
Groot was arrested at Bridgeburg
a day or so after he got his sentence
he was taken ill and Dr. Howell or-
dered his removal to Niagara Falls
Hospital. He got back to Welland last
week, having spent nearly all his term
in the hospital. Dr. McGarry's bill for
services was \$240, and the hospital bill
has not yet been sighted. The total
expense that would have run close to
half a thousand dollars.

MONDAYS ALL BORN TUESDAY

Remarkable Coincidence—There Are
Six of Them.

OWEN SOUND, Feb. 5.—A remark-
able coincidence exists with the fam-
ily of William Monday, who resides
on Princess-street, east hill. Of a
family of six members, consisting of
father, mother and four children, every
one was born on a Tuesday.

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28TH YEAR

RAILWAY SERVICE IS HARDLY HIT BY STORM

Many Trains Cancelled
--Few Stick in Drifts
--Rest Are Away
Behind Their
Time.

With ten inches of snow in as many
hours and the wind blowing from forty
to fifty miles an hour, needless to say
that the railways in and out of Toron-
to were practically paralyzed last night.
The blizzard itself struck town in the
afternoon, but had been at work early
in the morning further west.
Snow plows were put right to work,
but proved unable to cope with the ele-
ments and every single track line in the
west end of the province was soon out
of business.

On the Grand Trunk main line east
of Toronto the trains were still run-
ning last night, but under big difficul-
ties. The International Limited, due
here at 4:30 yesterday afternoon, ar-
rived two hours late. After the condi-
tions were worse and the train due at
9:20 last night arrived early this morn-
ing. The train going east at 8:30 was
sent out, but got stuck in a drift at
Darlington. The express was sent out
on time at 10:15 in the hope that the
line would be cleared for it.

On the Grand Trunk main line west
of Toronto the No. 2 from Sarnia,
due here at 7:50 p.m., was stuck in the
snow this side of Port Huron and later
cancelled. The Eastern Flyer, due here
at 10 o'clock, was also cancelled. The
train going from here west at 7 o'clock
was cancelled, but the Chicago express
at 11 o'clock was sent thru by way of
Hamilton and London on the double-
tracked line.

Nothing Doing in Midland.
The Midland division was tied up al-
together. The train due here at 10:10
yesterday morning on that division got
only as far as Simcoe. Early in the
day the authorities saw the uselessness
of trying to run trains under the con-
ditions prevailing and decided to hold
all of them north of Guelph in the ter-
minals where the passengers could be
looked after.

Up north on the Grand Trunk the
sneak trains again conquered. The last train
to leave in that direction was the Pa-
cific express at 1:45. The train for
Meaford, due at 5 o'clock, but got as far as
Parkdale, when it was recalled. The
Lindsay train at 7:05, the Cobalt special
at 9 o'clock and the express for the
west at 11:30 were all cancelled.
From Toronto to Hamilton things
were little better, although the line was
kept open right through the snowbound
bridges. The Grand Trunk trains due
here at 8:15 and 10 o'clock, both arrived
early this morning. The T. H. and B.
connection from New York, due at 4:10,
was three hours late. The T. H. and B.
from Brantford and Hamilton, due at
6 o'clock, got in at 7:20, and the C.
P. R. special from Hamilton instead of
getting here at 9:10, arrived in at 11:45.
All trains going out on that line were
sent back to Toronto.

C. P. R. Tied Up, Too.
The C.P.R. line to the east was also
out of business. The train due from
Montreal at 7:00 a.m. was at a stand-
still at Junction, while a big snow-
plow had left the track at Locust Hill.
The train for Montreal leaving the
Union Station at 5 o'clock got as far as
Agincourt, where it stuck in a snow-
drift. The train for Montreal at 10
o'clock and the train for Ottawa at
10:45 were joined and held at the sta-
tion until such time as the road might
be clear. The Chicago and Detroit
train due here at 9:15 got in two hours
late.

The Teeswater and Owen Sound
branch of the C.P.R. was closed up.
The train due from Owen Sound at
7:55 and from Teeswater at 8:55 were
both cancelled and the train leaving
in that direction at 6 o'clock got only
as far as Orangeville.

The Canadian Northern Ontario
trains were kept in at the terminals
in the afternoon, while trains either going
up or coming down.
Even in the yards at Toronto the
snow caused a good deal of trouble
and arrangements were made last night
to have a big force of men on hand
this morning to clear the snow away
from the switches.

Equipment Scarce.
So many trains are tied up outside of
the city that the railway men here have
difficulty in securing equipment to
make up trains going out.

Supt. Gillen of the Grand Trunk
stayed in his office almost all night at-
tending the fight against the storm.
Twenty snow-plows were at work in
this division, but nothing much could
be done until the storm abated, because
as soon as a track was cleared the high
wind would blow the snow back again.
The storm centre last night was in
Michigan, but moving this way. Snow
was falling all the way from Battle-
ford, Saskatchewan, to Toronto, and during
the night it kept spreading further
eastward. In Manitoba, there was
eight inches of snowfall yesterday, as
compared with Ontario's ten inches.
The weather authorities expected that
to-day it would gradually clear here
and turn cold again, while the blizzard
would travel down into Quebec, gather-
ing force as it goes.

Probably the street railway main-
tained a good service.

BEAT MOTHER TO DEATH.

Result of Inquest Places Crime on
Son.

YARMOUTH, N.S., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—
A few days ago an old woman named
Hilton, who lives at Ohio Village, near
here, was beaten by her son, Ebenezer
Hilton, who used an axe-handle as the
implement of punishment.
Friday last the woman passed away
and the pastor of the Baptist Church
at Ohio refused to bury her until an
inquest had been held. The coroner was
summoned and held an inquest to-day.
The evidence showed that the son
had never revived after her terrible in-
jury. The jury found that death had
been caused by the beating received at
the hands of her son, and recommended
that the attorney-general should im-
mediately take the matter up.

MR. DRINKWATER AT OTTAWA

Report That He Will Be Succeeded by
Mr. Baker.

OTTAWA, Feb. 5.—(Special.)—It is
reported here that Charles Drinkwater,
the veteran secretary of the Canadian
Pacific Railway, is about to retire from
the office, to be succeeded by W. R.
Baker, now assistant to the vice-presi-
dent of the company.
It is also said that Mr. Drinkwater
will come to Ottawa as the accredited
head of the embassy at the capital in
charge of the litigation, legislation and
departmental work concerning the com-
pany.

STORMBOUND.

A telegram received in the mayor's
office yesterday afternoon gave the in-
formation that Mayor Oliver and Con-
sulting Engineer Spence were returning from
Battle Creek, while returning from
Chicago.

Ex-Manager Won Suit.

The assize jury awarded Erastus
Miller \$1045 and costs in his suit
against the Terra Cotta Brick Co., of
which he had been manager. He com-
plained of wrongful dismissal and salary
due.