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LIKEWISE TO BRITISH CROWN BY  
OFFICE OF LIEUT.-GOVERNOR.

Some Governors Ontario Was Known—Our  
Military Governors Before Confederation  
of the Dominion—A Slave-owning  
Governor—Curious Incidents That Give  
Sidelight on Authority Exercised by  
Early Incumbents.

By the office of Lieutenant-Governor, Ontario is linked to an interesting past, and also to the British Crown. On ordinary occasions the Lieutenant-Governor of the province represents the Dominion Government, but there are times when he becomes the direct representative of the Sovereign. Such an occasion is the opening or closing of the Legislature, the celebration of the King or Queen's birthday or the holding of an official levee. All bills are assented to "in his Majesty's name." In recognition of this viceregal character it has been decided that the Lieutenant-Governor is entitled at the times mentioned to have six bars of the National Anthem played. The office of Lieutenant-Governor as we have it to-day is a continuation and a modification of that of Governor as administered from 1792 by various incumbents. The prerogative of mercy was withdrawn at Confederation from the provincial Governors, and their powers were limited to those specially conferred by statute. For their official conduct they are responsible to the Dominion Government, at whose pleasure they hold office.

Our Military Governors.

In the early days of Ontario, or Upper Canada, as it was then known, the Governor was generally a military officer. His principal duty was that of commander-in-chief of the militia. If he could spare the time he would devote some attention to civil affairs, but it was not uncommon for the Governor to treat them as minor matters to be dealt with by subordinates. The Governor was sent out from England, or called to Canada from some other colony. This system resulted in frequent interregna, when the office fell to the hands of an administrator, or President, as he was known, because he was president of the Privy Council. With only a few of the names of our early Governors and presidents is the average citizen of Ontario now familiar. The subject has been dealt with exhaustively by Mr. D. B. Read, K.C., in his book entitled, "The Lieutenant-Governors of Upper Canada and Ontario." Simcoe and Brock, of course, stand out pre-eminent. The latter, who did not bear the title of Governor, but of president, is enshrined imperishably in the memory of all Canadians. Simcoe is distinguished because he was the first Governor of Ontario, and laid the foundation of British institutions in this province. To his good judgment we owe the fact that Toronto, then known as York, became the capital of the province. He saw in the situation of this city the prophecy of future greatness. By this enterprise a highway to Lake Simcoe was opened up and named Yonge street after Sir George Yonge, Secretary of War in 1791. Governor Simcoe combined the qualities of a soldier and a statesman better than any of his successors.

A Slave-owning Governor.

Along with Simcoe came to this province Peter Russell, who was Lieutenant-Governor under Governor Simcoe. On the retirement of the latter Russell became administrator. Some years after his term of office he advertised for sale in the Gazette and Oracle: "A black woman named Peggy, aged 40, and a black boy, her son, aged 15. It seems strange nowadays that a British Governor should own slaves, but though there were anti-slavery laws even in those days, it seems that these particular individuals did not come within their scope, as they were imported prior to the enactments, and the law applied only to the future."

One explanation of the sidelight on the authority exercised by the early Governors from incidents attributed to Governor Peter Hunter. There had been delay in issuing the patents for land to certain new arrivals. Governor Hunter called the Provincial Secretary, Mr. Jarvis, publicly to account for it. Mr. Jarvis said he had been unable to attend to the matter owing to pressure of business. "Then," said the Governor, "if they are not forthcoming every one of them by noon on Thursday next (two days hence), by George, I'll un-Jarvis you." Whatever this mysterious threat meant, it had its effect. The same Governor issued a notice requiring public officials to be in attendance every working day at their offices from ten in the morning till seven in the evening. It was during his regime that a shortage of lawyers was discovered in the province. Accordingly an Act was passed authorizing the Governor to license without examination persons of talent to practise law. D'Arcy Boulton was one of the appointees who were afterwards dubbed "heavy-descended barristers." Governor Hunter was the first Governor in Ontario to die in office.

His successor, who was merely a stop-gap, appointed to carry on the province until the next Governor arrived, got into an embarrassing trouble. On becoming administrator Commodore Alexander Grant found in 1805 that a number of salaries, amounting to about \$3,000, were unpaid. His predecessor had had these formerly paid out of the balance in the hands of the Receiver-General after other expenses had been paid. As he was only temporarily in office, Mr. Grant followed that precedent, and ordered payment without authority of the Legislature. It caused an uproar, and led to a formal demand by the As-

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seemly that the money be replaced in the treasury. The difficulty was finally got around by the Legislature voting the money spent. We are quite familiar with the process now which is carried on by a Governor's warrant. The agitation against the expenditure was, curiously enough, promoted by Mr. Justice Thorpe, who, though on the bench, led the Opposition. For a long time he filled the dual positions. Finally he was removed from office as judge, and appointed to the bench as Chief Justice of Sierra Leone, whether he went, abandoning his Canadian political prospects.

A Governor's Libel Suit.

When Francis Gore arrived from Bermuda Mr. Grant's term of office as president expired. Mr. Gore enjoyed the distinction of serving two terms as Governor at separate times. He enjoyed another distinction which was less gratifying. One of the high officials, Surveyor-General Watt, had sided with Mr. Justice Thorpe in his agitation against the Government. Mr. Gore accordingly had Mr. Watt, an appointee of the Imperial Government, removed from office. Some time afterwards a libelous pamphlet appeared, attacking Mr. Watt. It was charged that the Governor was the instigator of the pamphlet. A libel suit was entered against him by Mr. Watt. It was not shown that Mr. Gore had either written the document, or had it printed, but he was accused of circulating it, inasmuch as he had handed a copy of it to Attorney-General Boulton. The judge declared that the delivery of the pamphlet constituted a libel, and the jury found for the plaintiff. Out of this quarrel grew the attack upon Mr. Gore which was made in the Imperial Parliament on the basis of discontent and oppression in the province. Mr. Gore retired to face his accusers in England. The attack was a failure. In those days the Governors had great powers, but they had many drawbacks, not the least being that they had to defend themselves and their administrations both in Canada and in England.

## COULDN'T PUT HIS COAT ON

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Montreal, May 18.—(Special)—The case of George Robertson, of 992 James street, this city, is looked upon by those interested in medical matters as one of the most interesting on record. Mr. Robertson was a sufferer from Dropsy and was so bad that tapping was resorted to. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured him.

Interviewed regarding his cure, Mr. Robertson said: "I was troubled with Dropsy and Rheumatism for five years. I was a total wreck before I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. Before I got out of bed in the morning I could hardly put my feet on the floor, they were swollen so much from Dropsy."

"My arms used to swell at times so that I could not put my coat on. Before I had taken two boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills I felt greatly relieved. Seven boxes cured me completely. I also had Lumbago, but since I used Dodd's Kidney Pills I don't know what it is to be sick."

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## OUR MUSICAL STATUS.

English Composer, Sir Alex. Mackenzie,  
Gives His Impressions—Delighted  
With Chorus He Heard Here.

"You may say that I was agreeably astonished at the high standard of efficiency attained by the choruses in all the cities we have visited," said Sir Alexander Mackenzie, the English composer, who conducted recently a cycle of musical festivals throughout the Dominion, to the Montreal correspondent of The Toronto News.

In answer to the query, "What do you want me to say?" the correspondent explained that he thought it would be not uninteresting to many if Sir Alexander would give his opinion regarding the status of choral music in Canada. "Having visited a number of our largest cities and towns, you are in a position to say, if you will, how our work compares with similar work in Britain," said the correspondent.

"Possibly such a comparison would be unjust to Canadian singers," replied Sir Alexander. "But if a comparative estimate is desired, that is certainly the only one I could give. As this is my first visit to Canada, I cannot say, except from what I see before me, what progress is being made in choral work here. Looked at in that light, however, the results are surprisingly good. They are some of the smaller towns, where choruses had been formed specially for this cycle, I was astounded to meet well-trained and exceptionally effective bodies of singers. This was notably the case in London, N. B., and Brantford, Ont."

"What do you think of the quality of voice produced in Canada?" "I see very little difference between them and those we have in England. The tone in the aggregate is pretty much the same. Of course, it would be unfair to compare the male voice here with those which participate in choruses in Yorkshire and London; they would simply be drowned out. But otherwise, I have found the choruses characterized by evenness and sweetness of tone with quite sufficient volume for all practical purposes."

"It is that perhaps the singers, taking them individually, have not yet become accustomed to the novelty of their position. When that feeling of strangeness passes away I look for results that will be truly admirable, results which have already been attained."

"Do you think that this musical cycle will tend to stimulate an interest in choral singing in Canada?" "Most assuredly it should. I certainly trust that none of the choruses which have been formed for the purposes of the present cycle will be permitted to disband. They should be the nucleus of permanent organizations which might at intervals be utilized to give a series of choral works. Thus far we have confined our attention exclusively to music composed by British musicians; next year the programs might be cosmopolitan. But I certainly approve most cordially the idea which made the inaugural cycle an all-British one. Foreign music had been sufficiently exploited; it was a good thing to let the people know what the musicians of British origin were doing."

"Has the cycle proven a success?" "Immensely so. The attendance at all our concerts has been exceedingly good. In some of the cities the drill hall was utilized; these were filled, and, as you know, that takes a good many people."

"What style of music, in your opinion, stimulates interest among the masses most readily—choral or orchestral?" "It is perhaps easier to reach the masses through the medium of the chorus. By really the two should go hand in hand. It is impossible to have the one in its highest form without the aid of the other. A good chorus needs a good orchestra to support it properly. No country which does not possess a fine orchestra need ever hope to achieve very great results chorally. Indeed it is a matter of wonder to me that the leading cities of Canada do not combine to develop orchestras on the co-operative plan. For example, Montreal, Toronto and Ottawa should be in a position to do so without trouble. It would not cost very much, and the artistic results would be well worth the expense."

As the reporter was preparing to leave, Sir Alexander gave orders that he should be supplied with a series of the programs used at all concerts which had been given thus far. "I am to write a description of the concerts for an English paper," he explained. "Without the programs I would remember nothing; with them before me, the whole scene comes back—I can remember the audience, the chorus, everything!"

The Chickens Roosted Early.  
During a visit to the South with an eclipse expedition some years ago an eminent Canadian astronomer met an old negro servant whose duty it was to look after the chickens of the establishment where he was staying. The day before the eclipse took place the Canadian savant in an idle moment called the old man to him and said: "Sam, if to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock you watch your chickens you will find they will go to roost."

"Sam" was skeptical, of course, but when at the appointed time next day the sun in the heavens was darkened and the chickens retired to roost the negro's astonishment knew no bounds. He approached the Canadian in awed wonder. "Massa," he asked, "how long ago did you know dat dem chickens would go to roost?"

"O, a long time," said the scientist airily.

"Did you know a year ago, massa?"

"Yes."

"Then dat beats de debil!" exclaimed the astonished old man.

"Dem chickens weren't hatched a year ago!"

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### How Mussels Move.

The general impression is that mussels do not move. They fasten themselves to certain objects or they lie in the mud and sand at the bottom of the water, and there they pass their existence. In proof of this the fact is adduced that mussels are at times buried under the sandy deposit when a rush of water carries a lot of soil with it. A naturalist who has devoted much time to the study of these creatures says that mussels do move slowly, and the movement is accomplished in the following manner:

The mussel opens its shell and projects its body to a certain extent from its projecting case. Then it exerts some force whereby it keeps the shell above the soil and uses its body to propel itself along the bottom just in the same way as a land snake gets over the ground. If the sand is examined after the mussel has taken one of these strolls, it will be easy to see two parallel lines caused by the edges of the shell touching the ground.

### Snuff Versus Good Humor.

Interesting notes on the snuff taking habit are furnished by the German authorities of the district known as the Bavarian forest. The men there consume on an average half a pound of snuff per day, the tobacco being mixed with ground glass "to sting better." The people in this district are much given to violence, and attacks with the knife are of daily occurrence. For years the prison authorities experienced great difficulties with their charges on account of their uniform obstinacy and finally hit upon the plan of depriving them of snuff. They say that after awhile a great change for the better was noticeable, the men becoming tractable and sensible of their degrading inhumanity.

### Immortality of Jokes.

Whoever does not believe in immortality, let him turn his eye upon jokes. No joke has ever been known to die. Even the weakest from its very birth lives forever. Now and then a joke will work overtime too consistently and will have to go to the hospital of temporary oblivion for a rest. But it always returns to do business with a new bill of health and semioccasionally a new tie or a fresh collar. As a rule, however, it wears the same old celluloid neckband and faded scarf sponged off and benumbed by the skillful hands of Time.

### Putting Down the Pickle.

"Put down that pickle!"  
The words were uttered harshly and hurriedly by the sergeant to an ungracious private who, carried away by his hungry passions, had snatched a pickle from the barrel.

"An' why should I put down the pickle?" queries the private mildly.

"Put down that pickle, that's all I want of you!" returned the sergeant determinedly.

"Down it goes, then!" cried he. And stuffing it into his mouth it quickly disappeared.

### Great Presence of Mind.

"That woman showed wonderful presence of mind when her horse ran away."

"Is that what you call it? She threw down the reins and yelled."

"I know she did, and the horse ran straight down the street. If she had held on to the reins, she would have doubtless steered him into the pavement."

### A Mechanical Catastrophe.

Smarticus—Hear about Hardink's experience with the automatic electric waiter in N.York?

Sparticus—No. What was it?

Smarticus—He picked out his order, decided he'd take a Bermuda onion and dropped in his money. But the confounded machine sprung a leak on him.

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### MR. HAROLD KENNEDY.

Quebec Member of the Newly Formed  
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Mr. Harold Kennedy, who has been appointed a member of the Transportation Commission, is one of the most enterprising of the younger generation of the business men of Quebec. Though only about 35 years



### MR. HAROLD KENNEDY.

of age, he has had a long experience in shipping and is thoroughly familiar with the requirements of the port of Quebec, and of the whole St. Lawrence route, from the vessel owners' point of view. He has also been for several years a member of the Quebec Harbor Commission, and has thus gained a practical acquaintance with the improvements that have been carried on there. He is now in England, but is expected back shortly. The Dominion Government have placed at the disposal of the commissioners all the assistance required for the work they have undertaken of making a comprehensive report on the railway, inland marine and ocean services of Canada.

### When Brignoli Was Exalted.

Brignoli always expected an encore, no matter where or what he sang, and if it was not forthcoming he was off in a rage instantly. In some small town he sang his favorite song, "O'Connell's," a serenade from Donizetti's "Don Pasquale," with unusual care, and walked off the stage perfectly satisfied, pausing at the wings to listen to his applause. To his utter amazement there was not a sound of approbation. He strode into the dressing room muttering that he would not respond to an encore; he would refuse to sing another song. Still the house remained silent. "No," he cried to those about him; "I refuse to sing again. I refuse to respond to the encore."

Barbagelata, who was more clever than the ordinary servant, humbly approached and said:

"Signor Brignoli, you sang that like an angel. The people could not appreciate it."

The old fellow nearly wept.

"Barbagelata," he exclaimed, "give me your hand. I did not know you were such a musician. Tagliapietra, I must introduce you to Barbagelata, my servant," turning to "Tag," who stood near by. "He is a great musician. He appreciates my singing more than all those fools."

### Fortunate.

Physician—The truth can no longer be hidden, madam. I am obliged to tell you that your little son is—er—weak minded—that is—well, it must be said—he is an idiot.

Mrs. Hignup—How fortunate it is that we are rich! No one will ever notice it.

### It Did Him Good.

"I am sorry, doctor, you were not able to attend the supper last night. It would have done you good to be there."

"It has already done me good, madam. I have just prescribed for three of the participants."

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