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Speech From the Throne Fore-shadows Busy Session

Edmonton, Alta., Jan. 16.—The third session of the first legislative assembly of Alberta was opened here this afternoon with the usual ceremonies.

The following is the speech from the Throne:

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:—

I have much pleasure in welcoming you to the third session of the first legislative assembly of the province of Alberta. For the degree of material prosperity which has marked the progress of this province in a year of great stress and storm over the whole civilized world and our exemption from the more severe features of this crisis, our thanks are due to divine providence. An extraordinary severe winter, followed by a rather inclement weather, foreshadowed wide spread distress but the beautiful weather of the autumn months, I have learned with pleasure, prevented to a very large extent such a calamity.

As loyal Canadians you will have observed with pride that during the financial disturbance which has spread disaster throughout the world, while there has been a shortage of capital both in Alberta and in the more populous portions of the Dominion, yet the soundness of the financial institutions of the country has once more been present and the forward flow of the trade and commerce of the Dominion has gone on almost unchecked.

My ministers have taken part during the recess, in two conferences, the one imperial and the other international, which I have no doubt will have an important influence in the administration of these branches of the public service.

Royal commissions have been engaged during the year in the examination of conditions of the two important branches of trade and commerce in the province, the agricultural interests of the province which at present are supreme and are for years likely to remain so, are deeply involved in the conditions under which meat is marketed, and by the appointment of a commission to examine into these conditions, I have endeavored to arrive at the precise knowledge which is the first postulate of amelioration.

The vast coal fields, which after wheat fields, appear to be the largest asset with which Providence has endowed Alberta, have also received at-

tention of a commission with important results.

The report of both these commissions will be laid on the table of the House for your consideration.

The national wealth of the province assisted by the flow of immigration and capital which continues in spite of the temporary checks imposed by exceptional weather and monetary conditions, will, I have no doubt, develop in the course of long-term or shorter period, important manufacturing interests and my ministers have thought it advisable at the outset of this development to take advantage, to the best of their ability, of the experience of the older states by imposing on that industrial development healthy conditions while it is still in its infancy.

A bill will be submitted for your consideration providing for the regulations of the conditions of labor as regards compensation to workmen in case of accidents. I believe that by thus providing on an assured basis for the future the relations between capital and labor in this province will be rendered more cordial.

From the outset it has been admitted in several of the most industrially advanced of the countries of Europe, that the conditions under which the mining industry is carried on render it peculiarly necessary in the interests of all concerned to impose some limit on the hours of labor in this occupation. A bill has therefore been prepared by my ministers imposing regulations in this respect, which I believe will have a happy effect on this most promising of our infant industries.

An act will be submitted for your consideration dealing with the establishment of a government drainage system in the province and providing for the expense incident to important and necessary works of the description, being assessed against the property benefited.

The province has great cause for thankfulness that neither crime nor destitution fills an important part of the social look-out at present but from neither can we hope to be altogether exempt. You will be asked to make financial provision for the establishment of an industrial school for the better care and instruction of a class of boys whose circumstances and character call for special treatment.

Your approval will be asked for a number of bills which experience has shown are necessary for the administration of the affairs of the province as well as for a number of amendments to the ordinances of the North West Territories and Statutes of the province.

The public accounts and estimates will be laid before you at an early date.

Mr. Speaker and members of the legislative assembly:

I feel every assurance that these and other measures to be brought to your attention will receive the most careful consideration and that the same will result in the advancement of the welfare and prosperity of the province.

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ORIGINALS TELL TALES

Is That Why Members Cannot See Original Documents of Interior Department

A discussion took place in the House of Commons recently regarding public documents. A case arose in which the opposition desired to see original documents, and moved for them, instead of, as usual, for copies. The government refused the demand, and there you are. The opposition says that the House, or for that matter, any member of the House, has the right of access to all original documents which are not matters of state in the restricted sense of the term. The government says that members have the right only to obtaining copies.

But the facts back of the affair are almost as interesting as the theoretical point involved. The Conservatives are able to say that the original documents were at their service until by using them they unearthed three damaging facts which were not apparent from a perusal of the copies, and that then the use of the originals were forbidden. Here are the three facts:

It is customary for the Dominion land agents to report yearly on their work and for their reports to be published in the annual blue-book of the Department of the Interior. Two or three years ago two land agents one at Bathurst, and one in the Dauphin district, reported that there had been a good deal of "fake" homesteading during the year. In each case the

passage was suppressed; the only portions inserted were those which described conditions as satisfactory; and no asterisks appeared to show that there had been omissions of portions of the report. The Conservatives moved in the public accounts committee for papers which included these original reports, and on inspection observed these red pencil marks. Mr. Oliver was greatly chagrined when this fact was sprung on him in a debate on "fake" homesteading.

In the investigation of the Galway Cattle Company lease Mr. Ames was shown the original file by Mr. Cory, the deputy minister of the interior. The original application for this lease bore this date line "Great Falls, Montana, May 26." On the document of the department showing the date on which it arrived—the stamp read "May 27." That was rapid travelling; the plain inference was that this document purporting to have been drawn up in Montana, actually was written in or near Ottawa. The copy would not have contained the tell-tale stamp.

The same document afforded another interesting discovery. It was signed "H. P. Brown, per J.D.M." Looking at the original, Mr. Ames noticed that the initials seemed to be in the handwriting of Mr. J. D. McGregor, with which he was acquainted. The copy would never have suggested this identification.

It was after these revelations that access to original documents was denied, whether it was because of them may be left to readers to decide according to their political sympathies.

Perhaps it may be as well to mention the particular circumstance which led to the debate, though it was not mentioned in the course of the discussion. Mr. Ames was looking over certain leases of timber berths in the west. In one case a berth was advertised; a certain lawyer put in a tender; a competitor put in a larger tender; then a client of the first tenderer appeared with a tender still larger; and on being awarded the berth, wrote empowering his lawyer, the first tenderer, to act for him. It is just possible that a sight of the actual documents put in by this agent who tendered two bids might be interesting. Mr. Ames wanted that sight, and was refused it on the ground that Mr. Oliver had forbidden his officers to show documents to M.P.'s. So he moved for them and was given the copies and refused the originals.

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Gazette Appointments

Justices of the peace: John Bennett of Hanley; James Duff of Drinkwater. Fire guardian: Thomas Macaulay, of Walpole.

Village overseers: R. Reed of Wilcox; William L. McKenzie of Quill Lake.

Inspector of wolf pelts: J. Stanley Trask of Craik; F. W. Wright, of Ashwood.

Resignation and retirement: T. Lucas, of Craik, inspector of wolf pelts.

TO IMPEACH LIEUT-GOVR.

Socialist in British Columbia Assembly Wants Conduct of Governor Investigated

Victoria, Jan. 16.—By a vote of thirty-three to three the provincial legislature, which opened today, within ten minutes after the conclusion of the speech from the throne, voted against the suspension of the rules for the consideration of a motion in an effort to secure an impeachment of Lieutenant Governor, Dunsmuir. The motion was made by the socialist member for Nanaimo, Hawthornwaite, for an alleged unconstitutional act of the lieutenant governor, in withholding his assent to the Natal act of last session. Hawthornwaite declared that an action of the lieutenant governor, who had previously signed a contract to import 500 Japs for the Wellington Colliery Co., of which he is president, would tend to destroy the confidence of the people in constitutional and responsible government.

Speaker Elberts ruled the motion out of order, it not being customary on the first day of the session to consider a matter unless of urgent public importance. He did not regard this as sufficiently urgent, as the government measure for the introduction of the Natal act is on the order paper for Monday. The socialist member called in vain for the authorities, and then appealed from the

ruling of the house, all but three supported the ruling.

Mr. Hawthornwaite will seek to introduce the motion on Monday, when the government's Natal measure is brought down. His motion requests the House to ask Ottawa to investigate the charges against Mr. Dunsmuir; and if proven to dismiss him. Nearly eight hundred guests were present.

It is understood that it is the government's intention to increase the present \$300 indemnity of the members to perhaps \$1,200, with \$6,000 salaries for ministers and \$3,000 for premier.

While Mr. Fulton remains commissioner of lands and works, another minister of public works is to share the department, and the probability is that Deputy Speaker, Ellison or former attorney general A. E. McPhillips will be appointed.

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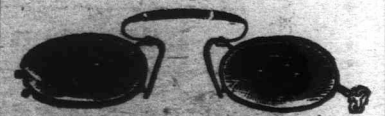
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One of the most notable episodes in the history of immigration matters is the with the individual return of Louis Leopold, whose return Leopold Lazarus.

While the declared government has always courage no immigrants of the agricultural commissioner of immigration apparently for years and giving assistance to sending out mechanics to this country. Some were obtained by false means, sometimes possible fraudulent means, but were close co-operation with the office and that of and always the treasurer contributed to Leopold's and canvassing.

Standing Instructions The policy of the government announced by the Minister in the House of the session of 1906. (July 3, 1906, page 6870)

The standing of the department to its assistance for immigrants have been to encourage none of the agricultural class to servants to come to until recently the department made no objection to the on immigrants who mechanics, provided they intention of engaging in pursuits in this country.

On June 20, 1904, Mr. asked if the government aware that certain individuals making fraudulent representations holding themselves out as the Canadian government positions and committing frauds. In reply Mr. that the government was certain individuals were fraudulent representations accordingly ordered the newspapers of the United (See Hansard, June 20, 1904.)

"The government of Canada having been certain persons conditions in London and the United Kingdom, promoting the immigration of mechanics and other men, have been giving attention respecting labor

Canada, and have represented themselves as agents of or sanction and endorsement of the government. No given that the Dominion has no such agents in Kingdom, has not mentioned or in any way approval to any agency Kingdom for promoting to Canada of mechanics skilled labor.

(Sgd. James A. Smith, Minister of the Interior of That Leopold, so called of the parties making entention is shown by circular among others (See Hansard, July 1904.)

Canadian Labor I would draw attention that, owing to the population in Canada consequential development country, as also to the commercial prosperity, the unlimited demand for experienced help of male and female in a of Canada.

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