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**LEGISLATURE PROROGUES  
AFTER BUSIEST SESSION IN  
YEARS; VALUABLE WORK DONE**

Special to The Standard.  
Fredericton, N. B., April 29.—The second session of the thirty-second term of the New Brunswick Legislature was prorogued this evening at 2.15 o'clock with the usual formalities. His Honor the Lieutenant Governor visited the Legislature accompanied by his staff, including Col. Bridges, aide, Sheriff Sterling, Coroner Weaver and Private Secretary Barker. The proceedings were watched by a large number of both men and women in the galleries, the only ladies on the floor of the House being Mrs. Hazen, wife of the Premier and Mrs. Morrissey wife of the Chief Commissioner.

After the titles of the bills passed during the session were read His Honor gave his assent to the passage and then read the usual speech from the Throne after which the Clerk of the House on behalf of His Honor declared the House adjourned.

After a gubernatorial party had retired the members joined in singing Auld Lang Syne, which was followed by singing the National Anthem during the course of which the people in the galleries stood up.

**116 Bills Passed.**  
During the session 116 bills were introduced in the House, somewhat more than the usual number, of that number 14 were withdrawn making a total of 102 bills which passed the House.

It there has been an outstanding feature of the work of the Opposition party during the session it has been the increasing strength of the Government party led by Premier Hazen. Never since the election of March 1908, when they came into power, the supporters of Mr. Hazen were more strongly cemented together, more strongly entrenched than they are today.

The evenings of the session have served only to demonstrate the steady increasing strength of the administration, and to show the weakness of the Opposition which appears in a bright light when viewed as an amusement production.

Some few of the North Shore members left this afternoon by I. C. R. and were not present at the prorogation. Others went away on the evening trains. The members of the Government will meet in the Executive Council here tomorrow.

**A Strenuous Day.**  
The closing day of the session was a strenuous one.

After being in session until 2.45 a. m. the House held a morning session met again this afternoon and once more this evening.

The feature of the day's business was the announcement by Premier Hazen of the Government's policy regarding the St. John Valley Railway in which he showed careful study, and a strong desire to give this important section of the province this much needed facility, but at the same time mindful that the interests of the province generally must be thoroughly safeguarded.

The bill to make the City of Moncton a separate electoral district was passed today after the leader of the Opposition and members for Westmorland had put up the best light they knew how.

**Have Their Fears.**  
That they FEAR FACING THE ELECTIONS OF WESTMORLAND IS A FAIR BASIS upon which to provide the members for that county acknowledge. Mr. Copp in his efforts to find a life preserver seized upon the racial and creed cry. But his efforts to show that the present Government had not encouraged French Acadian representation in the House were lost when Mr. Allain, of Northumberland in reply, pointed out that from the great old county of Northumberland there had not only BEEN NO REPRESENTATIVE OF FRENCH ACADIANS UNDER THE OLD ADMINISTRATION BUT THAT THE REQUESTS OF FRENCH ACADIANS FOR REPRESENTATION from Northumberland had been turned down by the late administration to be accepted by the present Government and he (Allain) was in the House as a result.

**Better Representation.**  
On the basis of representation by population it was shown that the changes made under the new act were perfectly fair and just. The city of Moncton with a population of between 11,000 and 12,000 will have one representative while the county of Westmorland exclusive of Moncton with a population of about 35,000 will have three representatives.

**St. John Affected Also.**  
One of the provisions of the bill is that a resident of the city of Moncton cannot have a vote in the county of Westmorland and vice versa and Hon. Robert Maxwell moved an amendment to make the same applicable to the city and county of St. John which carried.

**Inscribed Stock.**  
Provincial Secretary Flemming presented to the House today an order in council under the Provincial Loans Act passed at this session stating that the Bank of Montreal and F. W. Taylor, the Bank of Montreal manager in London, England, had been appointed fiscal agents of the province to arrange for a loan of £450,000 which will be the first issue of inscribed stock and which will bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum.

**A Good Move.**  
One of the most important announcements of the session was made by Hon. Dr. Landry, Commissioner of Agriculture late last night in reference to the Agricultural Department. It is the intention to bring into the province FIVE MORE THOROUGH-BRED STALLIONS. These will be secured through the Canadian national bureau of breeding which has already placed many stallions throughout the different provinces of the Dominion and which is largely responsible for general demand throughout the country of late for an infusion of thoroughbred blood for the improvement of the general purpose horse stock of the country. These five thoroughbred stallions will be placed in different parts of the province and will not cost this province any outlay from the Provincial treasury. They will be sent into the province after the Montreal horse show to be held in the month of May. It is also the intention of the department of Agriculture to import this autumn, FIFTY CLYDESDALE MARES from Scotland and it is estimated that this importation will cost the province not more than \$1,000.

**A Great Saving.**  
Another important departure is that the department will import chemical fertilizer and sell it to the farmers at a FAIR BASIS thus effecting a great saving for farmers. An awakening in the agricultural work of the province is a good result accomplished by the New administration.

**SEVERAL N. B. MEN GET DEGREES AT KING'S**



H. W. LUNNEY. D. KING HAZEN. J. S. TAIT.

Special to The Standard.  
Windsor, April 29.—The convocation exercises passed off under most auspicious circumstances today. In the morning the usual procession of choir boys, pupils of the collegiate school, undergraduates, bachelors, masters, doctors, bishops and chancellors in the robes of their degrees, marched to the parish church for divine service. The university sermon was preached by Rev. Stewart Crockett, D. D. New York. It was a masterly effort ably delivered and was listened to for nearly two hours with close attention. Dr. Crockett's theme was "Religion in Education" especially for the student, words that would help them to meet the perils and temptations of life with safety. The preacher emphasized the importance of religious teaching in university training.

**Convocation Exercises.**  
At 2:30 this afternoon the convocation exercises took place.

Dr. Boulden, vice-chancellor, although in poor health, presided and conferred the degrees as follows:—  
Bachelor of Arts—Harry Watson, England, Ray Milner, Halifax; A. L. L. Skerry, New Ross; M. B. Parlee, (Kings first Rhodes scholar); Ashburn Stephen Jeffries, Charlottetown; Herman Morse, Middleton; J. M. C. Wilson, Springfield; L. Forsyth, Windsor.  
M. A. in Counselling—Rev. R. E. McKim, (Kings first Rhodes scholar); G. Earle Logan, Harry W. Lunney, J. Starr Tait and Enoch Thompson.  
For the Degree of Doctor of Civil Laws—Hon. Rev. Dr. Crockett, Hon. Judge Bavery, M. A. In absentia, Annapolis Royal.

Dr. Boulden announced the list of prizes.  
Governor-General's medal, won by Watson, Hebrew prize, won by H. G. Montgomery, E. A. Binney's, Responsons, won by H. Bober Almon, Welsford. Testimonials, won by H. D. Robinson. Stevenson Scholarship, Hans Bober. Dr. Crockett offers for five years a prize of \$10 for the best Greek scholar in the college.  
Ray Milner, son of W. C. Milner, formerly of Chatham, N. B., was the valedictorian. His address was listened to with much interest and many favorable comments were made among the visitors as to his merits. Mr. Milner paid a high tribute to his classmate, M. Parlee, a former New Brunswick boy, whose election to the first Rhodes Scholarship has given to the class of 1909 special distinction.

**PREMIER HAZEN TO TAKE UP MATTER OF ST. JOHN VALLEY RAILWAY WITH FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

Special to The Standard.  
Fredericton, April 29.—Before the House adjourned this afternoon, Hon. Mr. Hazen announced that the Lieutenant Governor would be in attendance at eight-fifteen p. m. and said with the indulgence of the House he would like to make a brief announcement regarding the proposed St. John Valley Railway.

**Discussed For Years.**  
As hon. members knew, this was a matter that had been more or less agitated and much discussed for some years. During this session a large delegation had waited upon the Government and urged the claims of the road. He had announced to that delegation to do all they possibly could, having regard to the financial ability of the province, to promote the undertaking and he had told the delegates that the Dominion Government would guarantee to take over the road on its completion, and operate it as a Government railway, and pay over forty per cent. of the gross earnings to be devoted to the payment of interest on the bonds, that the Government would meet the wishes of the delegation and agree to guarantee the bonds of the company to the extent of \$25,000 per mile. He also had said that if the Dominion Government would not give such guarantee of operating the road he was not without hope that arrangements might be made with a company of financial stability to undertake the work under conditions that would not involve undue liability upon the province. The delegation had then gone to Ottawa and had been told by the Dominion Government that they might expect an answer to their request in a few days.

**The Two Must Agree.**  
This undertaking, he felt, must be carried out by an agreement between the two Governments, one that would meet with the approval both of the Dominion Parliament and of this Legislature, and although he was fully cognizant of the great importance of the undertaking and the advisability of pushing it with all possible speed, he had come to the conclusion it would be unwise to introduce hasty legislation just now, as he felt it might delay the undertaking.

It was his intention soon after the session to discuss the matter with members of the Federal Government at Ottawa, and see if some arrangement could not be completed, so that at the next session of the Federal House, and of this House, both of which would probably be at a meeting at the same time, LEGISLATION by the public, could be rendered to the Dominion Government without further delegation to wait upon the Government asking that such legislation should be put through at this session and he had given delegates an assurance that this would be done.

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**Want Details.**  
No word has come from Ottawa until last night a telegram was received from a member of Parliament by a gentleman in this city stating that no assurance would be given by the Dominion Government without further information as to details, and advising the Government asking that such legislation should be put through at this session and he had given delegates an assurance that this would be done.

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**It Was Customary.**  
The witness declared that this money was not paid for protection but merely because it was a custom of the proprietors of his saloon when he bought out the proprietor who had been there for over twenty-three years, that this was the custom of the district. Kavanagh produced the cheques in question each bearing the endorsement of the recipient.

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Another witness testified that Aid. Lapointe, who until he was unseated by the court the other day was the chairman of the finance committee and the leader of the council, had on three occasions interceded successfully with Chief of Police Campeau and secured the dismissal of charges against him.

**STRONG CRITICISM OF THE GOVERNMENT'S POSITION IN REGARD TO THE G. T. P. LOAN**

Special to The Standard.  
Ottawa, April 29.—In Parliament today, Mr. Crockett was informed that the Customs Department has granted no leave to the collector at Bathurst, N. B.

In reply to Mr. Crockett, Sir Frederick Borden stated that there is a bowling alley in the west wing of the armories at Woodstock, N. B., and that it is used by the militia and any friends who they may invite.

**G. T. P. Loan.**  
Resuming the discussion of the Grand Trunk Pacific, Mr. Nantel, speaking in French, criticized the contract which had been made but said that the Opposition must yield to an accomplished fact and that the duty of the Government is to make the best bargain possible for the people.

Mr. McCall, of Norfolk, laid stress upon the heavy growth of expenditure and rallied Sir Wilfrid on the way in which he had protested his intention of building the Hudson Bay Railway.

Mr. Burrell described Mr. Graham, on the strength of his reply to Mr. Borden, as the Harold Skimpole of this Government. He had the air of dealing with figures, the cheerful imprudence, the fine easy disdain for such material facts as day of reckoning, which warranted the appellation. He questioned the honesty of the Premier in keeping back from the electors the fact that this loan was in contemplation. When asked whether this had been negotiated during or before the election, Mr. Fielding had been too astute to admit and too honest to deny.

Mr. Burrell devoted a few moments to the question of Government ownership, Canada stood at the parting of the ways with respect to Government ownership and Sir Wilfrid Laurier had declared against it.

Mr. Burrell objected to handing this money over to a company which already owns fifty millions and interests especially as the Grand Trunk Pacific is making all the money it can out of the country, putting its branch lines, terminals, townships, etc. under separate companies. If they were to act as bankers let them behave as bankers would.

**Mr. Lancaster.**  
Mr. Lancaster said that the proper course for the Government to pursue would be to allow the Grand Trunk Pacific to remain in the hands of the public, could be rendered to the Dominion Government without further delegation to wait upon the Government asking that such legislation should be put through at this session and he had given delegates an assurance that this would be done.

**Rate of Interest.**  
Mr. Fielding said that the loan cost a shade over four per cent. The tendency of the money market at present is rather downward.

"Why should there be any doubt as to the rate?" asked Mr. Borden.

"There is no doubt as to the rate we should charge," said Mr. Fielding.

"This is a banking transaction," rejoined Mr. Borden, "it is only fair that the country should receive as much as it pays."

Mr. Fielding held that it was advisable to have a fixed and definite rate charged to the Grand Trunk Pacific. It is just as likely that the loans will give the country a profit. The company takes that risk.

Mr. Ames asked if the Government will first borrow the money and then lend it; will the borrowing be completed before the lending begins?

Mr. Fielding said that on the whole this will be the case. Of course all will be paid out of the one fund.

Mr. Ames insisted that when the minister pays out the money he will know the effective rate of interest which he is paying.

"Possibly not," said Mr. Fielding, "The department is watching the money market because while it has not taken no steps toward launching a new loan, it will see the most favorable moment to do so."

"At any rate," said Mr. Ames, "the interest will not be payable by the Grand Trunk Pacific until six months after the beginning of the loan. By that time the effective rate of interest will be known and the Grand Trunk Pacific can be charged it."

**Mr. Monk's Suggestion.**  
Mr. Monk urged that the railway be obliged to recoup the whole of the interest.

Mr. Fielding insisted that a fixed rate was more satisfactory.

Mr. Foster asked if a ten year loan would be raised, the money he lent to the Grand Trunk Pacific for that period.

Mr. Ames urged that the simplest way would be for the Government to rent a special carriages ten year loan at par, make the best terms possible and make the company pay the effective rate.

Mr. Fielding replied that it would not be wise to float a ten year loan unless the market conditions should favor such a term.

Mr. Foster and Mr. Lennox devoted some attention to the fact that of the ten millions, seven millions are to go to the old Grand Trunk.

In the evening the bill to extend the subsidy for the French Line led to a discussion on our trade with France.

Mr. Foster urged the importance of not committing ourselves to a long contract until we know for certain higher the French tariff would be raised as a result of the present agitation. He also remarked that the American tariff would undoubtedly make us sit up in regard to our trade relations with other countries.

The bill was reported for a third reading.

**CUSTOMARY FOR MONTREAL ALDERMEN TO RECEIVE BRIBES TO INFLUENCE THE POLICE**

Special to The Standard.  
Today's session of the civic investigation was devoted to further investigation of the dismissal of charges made against saloons men of violating the law on payment of the costs incurred, the dismissal being ordered by Chief of Police Campeau, by whom the charges were laid. The witness of the day was again P. J. Kavanagh.

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**SUSSEX MAN CAME NEAR BEING KILLED**

Special to The Standard.  
Sussex, N. B., April 29.—A young man named Dobson had a narrow escape from serious injury this afternoon at the Sussex Manufacturing Co. He was working at a portable mill when he stooped to pick up some thing and on recovering himself brought his head into contact with moving machinery. Dobson was knock-

**FIRST ORDER FROM ENGLAND IS RECEIVED**

Special to The Standard.  
Sydney N. B., April 29.—The Dominion Iron and Steel Co. has received its first order from England. The order is from the Great Northern Railway Company for 5,000 tons of steel rails of standard length and eighty-five pounds in weight.

Mr. M. Lafontaine is in the city.

**IS QUEBEC PREMIER TO GO ON BENCH?**

Special to The Standard.  
Montreal, April 29.—Possibly in the course of the year, Sir Lomer Gouin will resign the premiership of this province and retire from public life, probably to accept a seat on the bench. It is no secret that this step has for some time been contemplated.

**EN ROUTE HERE TODAY.**

Special to The Standard.  
Halifax, April 29.—E. Tiffin and F. T. Brady, members of the Board of Management of the I. C. R., and district Supt. Hallisey, spent a busy day evening they were the guests of W.A. Black at the banquet at the City Club. They will leave for St. John tomorrow.

Mr. H. K. Patterson of Toronto is in the city.

Mr. J. A. Lachance of Montreal is at the Royal.

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