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### APPOINTMENT COMMISSION

Subject is Brought to Notice of Premier at Opening Session - Mr. Maclean (South York) Protests Against Method of Appointing Investigating Commission.

Ottawa, March 8.—(Special.)—Just as the government planned to head off the popular demand for a real and thorough investigation into life insurance methods in Canada by the appointment of a royal commission, so it was intended that the very brief reference to the matter in the speech from the throne to-day would gloss over the subject for the time being.

But it was not to be. For, altho the speech from the throne was not taken up formally for discussion, this important topic of insurance thrust itself upon the attention of the house in a manner that gave the government to understand that in this respect the public is not to be trifled with.

In the course of his observations on the return of the commissioners from the styled ceremonies in the senate chamber, Mr. R. L. Borden requested that the prime minister lay upon the table of the house the instructions to the commissioners appointed to investigate life insurance in Canada, adding that he would be interested to know whether or not the government intended to pay counsel in connection with the investigation.

"It seems possible," continued Mr. Borden, "that the investigation might fall to satisfy that public uneasiness which has been referred to in the speech to which we have listened to-day, unless some step of this kind were taken or authorized by the administration."

Mr. Wilfrid Laurier in reply said the instructions would be laid before parliament on Monday next.

Mr. Wilfrid Laurier said he was asked by my hon. friend as to whether or not the commission will be authorized to employ counsel, it is provided already in the investigation. The counsel who will be employed will be the government's own counsel.

"I would like to include actuaries," Mr. Borden said, "in the list of those to be investigated. I do not think it would have been possible to have selected a more competent man."

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# LOOKING FOR INSURANCE BAR

## ALBANY

Three Chief Officers of Mutual Reserve Life Face Trial on Five Counts—"Technical Crime" They Declare.

New York, March 8.—Indictments charging grand larceny in the first degree and forgery in the third degree, were returned by the grand jury to-day against three chief officers of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company, were found by the grand jury to-day. In all five indictments were brought against each of the three officers, and three forgers of the company's money to law firms, the apparent purpose of which is alleged to have been to settle claims against the company while the real object is alleged to have been to settle actions which had been brought against officers of the company as individuals.

The indictments on which a charge of grand larceny is based, alleged that the officers embezzled two sums—\$7500 and \$1500—on Oct. 24, 1901.

**Charge of Forgery.**  
In the first case of alleged forgery, the indictment charges that \$7500 was entered in the cash book as made in payment to James Schell and Elkus, for legal services rendered by them to the company. In reality, declares the indictment, the money was paid with instructions to turn it over to the attorney of J. Douglas Wells to reimburse him for disbursements which he claimed had been made by Frederick A. Burnham, individually, and by George D. Eldridge, individually, and in order to induce Wells to consent to a discontinuance of those actions.

The second indictment for forgery is based on the payment of \$5000 of the company's money on Sept. 24, 1901. That payment, the indictment says, was entered in the cash book as made to James Schell and Elkus for legal services. The real purpose of this payment, however, alleged to have been for delivery to Douglas Wells, and previously brought against Frederick A. Burnham, individually, and by George D. Eldridge, individually, and in order to induce Wells to consent to a discontinuance of those actions.

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TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Toronto Ladies Golf Club, annual meeting, St. George's Hall, 11. Public House, 1000.

Dr. R. P. Gifford, lectures at McMaster University, 8.

Miss Florence Lutz in "Macbeth," Conservatory of Music Hall, 8.

U. E. Loyalties, Canadian Institute, 8 p.m.

Bank school Old Boys' banquet, Wells's, 8.

Class Leaders' Association, Metropolitan Church, on "Technical Education," Jameson-avenue Collegiate, 8.

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# BIGGEST CRUSH RECORD

## LEGISLATORS GLAD TO GET BACK

### AT OPENING OF THE HOUSE

ASKS PARLIAMENT TO INVITE KING EDWARD TO MAKE VISIT TO CANADA

N. A. Belcourt, M.P., of Ottawa, Believes Opening of Quebec Bridge Would Afford Auspicious Occasion.

Ottawa, March 8.—(Special.)—N. A. Belcourt, senior member for Ottawa, gives notice of the following address to the King:

"We, the members of the house of commons of Canada, in parliament assembled, beg to humbly convey to your majesty, with the assurance of our loyalty and devotion to your royal person, the expression of a desire and hope, long and fervently cherished by all British subjects inhabiting British North America, that your majesty will be graciously pleased to honor them with your majesty's presence, and thereby enable them to offer their personal tribute of their unwavering attachment to the crown and the government of the empire of their deep affection for your majesty's person and their profound admiration for those kingly virtues and truly humanitarian deeds which have earned for your majesty first place among the great sovereigns of the world."

WOMAN WHO WON'T TALK. In Murder Trial Refuses to Admit a Belief in Alibi.

Three Rivers, March 8.—(Special.)—Contrary to expectations Mrs. Slater is a moment resolutely refused to say a word. Before she could be examined, counsel for McCraw, who is on trial for the murder of her husband, demanded to know whether she believed in God.

MEET IN SECRET. Insurance Presidents Have a Session in King Edward.

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# RELIANCE IS IN NAVY

## ARMY TO BE REDUCED

Greater Efficiency at Less Cost is Motto of New Government—Defence Guns Along Coast to Be Dismantled and Colonial Garrisons Cut Down.

London, March 8.—In introducing the army estimates, amounting to nearly \$150,000,000, in the house of commons this afternoon, War Secretary Haldane announced at the outset that the Liberals did not desire to destroy the army, but required greater efficiency at less expenditure.

LESS FINANCIAL INFLUENCE FOR RULE OF POLICE FORCE

Tragedy at Outskirts of Rome—Body Conveyed to Quirinal in Queen Helena's Auto Car.

ROME, March 8.—The Marchioness of Corfini, formerly Princess Harberini, was killed to-night by the overturning of an automobile in which she was riding with her husband, who is King Victor Emmanuel's master of horse. The marchioness, who was 62 years of age, was driving the automobile, her husband, aged 49 years, sitting beside her.

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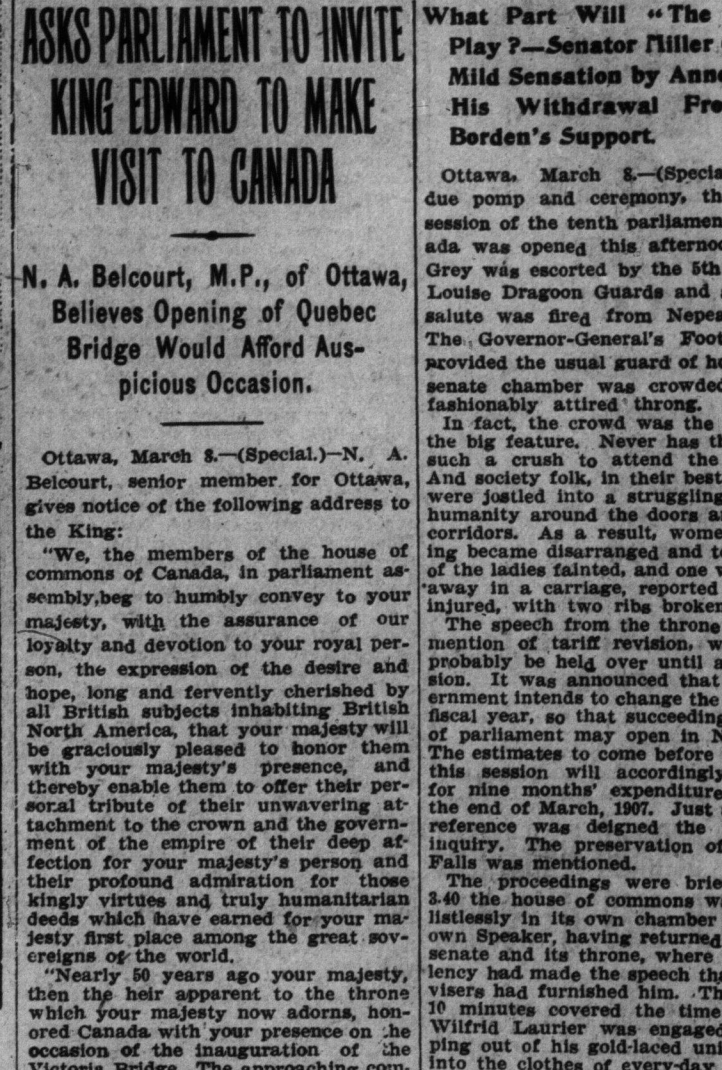
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DID HE OPERATE IN CANADA? (COURSE FOR GROCER CLERKS)

If Expected Revelations Materialize, Many Legislators May Be Involved in Peculiar Deals.

Albany, N.Y., March 8.—(Special)—Andrew Hamilton, who disbursed \$1,247,382 of the yellow dog's funds of the New York Life in influencing legislation in ways unexplained, and who came back to New York unexpectedly on the steamship Deutschland, has gone to his home in Albany.

Hamilton comes chiefly to face any criminal charges which may be lodged against him and to do everything within his power to clear the name of John A. McCall.

His return is fraught with many possibilities. If he yields to the entreaties of the McCall family and those men in the New York Life who are loyal to the memory of John A. McCall and would sacrifice much to see his name and fame rehabilitated in the public mind, he will make an absolutely full and complete disclosure of his operations as legislative agent for the New York Life.

One of the company's officers says that such a disclosure would do much more damage to the reputation of the company than any other disclosure made since the opening of the insurance scandal in February a year ago. This man added:

"Hamilton has been doing his confidential work for the New York Life for fourteen years and in that time handled more than \$1,000,000. He did work at one time or another with every legislator in every state in the union and in Canada. You can wager that many legislators in many sections of the country will be awake to-night wondering how much Hamilton is going to reveal."

If Hamilton makes a clean breast of everything and the friends of the dead man declare he must say everything that he can, the names of the trustees involved in the "insurance scandal" will not only be revealed, but the company will get the necessary evidence for suits against them for restitution.

The most prominent insurance men in the United States will be in Albany tomorrow to attend the hearing to be held in the assembly chamber by the special legislative committee on the insurance committee on the ten bills submitted by the insurance investigating committee to remedy the evils uncovered at the recent inquiry, perfect the insurance laws and provide for more searching examinations by the state department of insurance.

Hon. Timothy Woodruff of Brooklyn and Syracuse, who recently became president of the Provident Savings Life, has been chosen to preside at the hearing. The speakers will be the presidents of the three big New York companies, and they will talk in order of their seniority. That of the Mutual Life will be the first speaker, followed by the second and Alexander E. Orr, of the New York Life, third. Other life insurance presidents and actuaries will make speeches.

PURSUED THIEF ON HORSEBACK

Orangeville, March 8.—While Charles Dedrick, a farmer, living in Garatrac, a short distance from town, was feeding his cattle at noon on Monday his hired man improved the occasion to decamp with \$42 of his employer's hard earned money. Dedrick, returning to the house and missing the employee started in chase on horseback, and followed him to the edge of a swamp, where he secured two young men to track the thief. In the meantime riding round to the other side, where he lay in wait, the fugitive, a tussle ensued during which the money was dropped, unnoticed by Mr. Dedrick. Taking his prisoner Orangeville, he was searched and found to have no money in his possession. The men returned to the scene of the crime and by the aid of lanterns recovered the stolen property. The man was brought before a magistrate in Orangeville yesterday and demanded to appear at the spring sessions.

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Our Next Royal Guest

Prince Arthur, son of the Duke of Connaught, and King Edward's messenger to the Emperor of Japan, is coming to Canada. The 'Empire World' prints an exclusive portrait of the handsome young prince.

The Toronto Sunday World

The launching of the express Steamer Cayuga of the Niagara Navigation Company's Line is pictured, together with a portrait of Miss Osler, who officiated at the christening, and a picture of the new boat as she will appear when afloat.

PORTRAITS—In the issue are portraits also of Mr. Randolph Macdonald, President of the Sovereign Bank; Robert C. Edwards, editor of The Calgary Eye-Opener, the Town Topics of Canada; Wright Lorimer, title character in "The Shepherd King," and others.

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LIBERALS GOT OFF EASY ROUND ABOUT ELECTIONS

There was an usually brisk debate in the legislature yesterday, while the estimates of the department of agriculture were being passed under review. Nearly all the items had passed and the house committee got to an item of \$16,500 under the head of "miscellaneous."

Mr. Preston of Brampton, said that when this item passed the committee would have an increase from \$66,000 to \$82,500. He did not so much object to an increasing outlay, as he did to an increasing revenue. He said that in two years there had been an increase for civil government of \$75,000.

Matheson Retorts. This comparison roused Col. Matheson, who declared that the old government had neglected to collect the duties of the province from friends of that government. Mr. Preston had taken into account transfers from other departments to civil government, what was Matheson's objection to the expenditure of the old government was that the province was being run into debt.

Col. Matheson: "No, you do not." Mr. Rose: "The money was in the bank." Mr. Whitney: "But there were debts against it."

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Our Next Royal Guest

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LIBERALS GOT OFF EASY ROUND ABOUT ELECTIONS

There was an usually brisk debate in the legislature yesterday, while the estimates of the department of agriculture were being passed under review. Nearly all the items had passed and the house committee got to an item of \$16,500 under the head of "miscellaneous."

Mr. Preston of Brampton, said that when this item passed the committee would have an increase from \$66,000 to \$82,500. He did not so much object to an increasing outlay, as he did to an increasing revenue. He said that in two years there had been an increase for civil government of \$75,000.

Matheson Retorts. This comparison roused Col. Matheson, who declared that the old government had neglected to collect the duties of the province from friends of that government. Mr. Preston had taken into account transfers from other departments to civil government, what was Matheson's objection to the expenditure of the old government was that the province was being run into debt.

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