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### The Liabilities.

During the past year over three millions of indirect liability has been wiped out, including the Sault guarantee of \$1,000,000, and \$1,700,000 in the adjustment of accounts between the Province and the Dominion. In laying the accounts before the House the Provincial Treasurer remarked that never before since confederation had they been brought down so early in the year, while in volume they were a record.

#### Hon. Mr. Hanna's Reports.

Hon. Mr. Hanna presented a series of reports, the majority of which have already been published. They included those of live stock associations, agricultural societies and farmers' institutes, the T. & N. O. Commission, the operation of the liquor license act, the women's institutes, the Queen Victoria and Niagara Falls Park Commission, and the Board of Governors of the University of Toronto.

## No Time Extensions.

In presenting to the House the first report of the Committee on Standing Orders, the Chairman, Mr. W. H. Hoyle (North Ontario) stated that the decision had been reached to grant no extensions to the time specified for the introduction of private bills during the present session.

#### Reward for Hamilton Murderer.

Before the orders of the day were called Mr. George C. Wilson (North Wentworth) called the attention of the Government to the brutal murder which had occurred in Hamilton, and asked if it was proposed to offer a Provincial reward for the apprehension of the guilty party.

Hon. J. S. Hendrie, for the Government, said that the matter had been already before the Cabinet, and it was the intention of the Government to offer a substantial reward in the case.

Mr. Allen Studholme—That's quite right. Everyone will endorse your action.

#### Statute Revision.

Three additional statute revision measures were put through Committee of the Whole.

"We have overtaken the printer," observed the Premier. "We are obliged to pause now."

# The Anti-automobile Campaign.

Mr. D. C. Ross (North Middlesex) has launched the automobile question with the following list of inquiries:-(1) How many licenses to operate motor vehicles in the Province were granted during the year 1908? (2) How many of these were granted to non-residents and how many to residents of this Province? (3) Were special constables appointed by the Provincial Government to enforce the motor vehicle law? If so, how many? (4) What expense in regard to their services or otherwise was undertaken by the Government in that regard? (5) How many convictions were made for breaches of the law? (6) How many were through the efforts of said constables. if any? (7) What was the nature of the offences, and what number of convictions were secured under each? (8) What number of these convictions were against non-residents?