

NAME: SKINNER, Thomas (Sir, 1st bart.) (23 Nov. 1840-11 May 1926)

Governor, Hudson's Bay Company, 1914-1915

Thomas Skinner was appointed a member of the Committee of the Hudson's Bay Company 29 July 1890 to take Sir Charles Russell's place (A.1/154 p. 124). He became Deputy Governor in 1910 in succession to the Earl of Lichfield. He was created a Baronet on 9 Feb. 1912. On the death of Lord Strathcona in 1914, he became Governor and remained in that post until his retirement. (Letter of resignation to R.M. Kindersley, 19 Sept. 1915, A.1/201 fo. 214).

He lived on Pont Street, Chelsea, and was a J.P. of Middlesex, a director of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Bank of Montreal, and the Commercial Cable Company; Founder and editor of the Stock Exchange Year Book, the Directory of Directors, etc.

Father: James Skinner of Bristol

Wife (1): m. 17 March 1866, Sara Margaret (d. 6 Feb. 1902) daughter of Jonas Barnett Hewitt

Children: (Thomas) Hewitt (12 June 1875-4 Oct. 1968) m. Nellie Constance, daughter of James Hay Hall 1899 (*Who's Who*, 1945; *The Times*, 7 Oct. 1968)
son: Thomas Gordon (b. 29 Dec. 1899)
Daughters: Irene, Vivien
Ernest (1880-1919)
John (1882-1939)
Charles Henry (1886-)

Wife(2): m. 26 May 1903, Martha Loretta (d. 31 Jan. 1924), widow of Charles James Williamson, of New York, and daughter of Job Long (*Burke's Peerage, Baronetage and Knightage*, 1963)



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