

Thomas Norquay, M.L.A. (1843-1892)

Thomas was the son of John Norquay (b. 1810) and Isabel Truthwaite and the younger brother of John Norquay Jr. Thomas married Elizabeth Miller, the daughter of Robert Miller and Elizabeth Setter on May 10, 1866 at St. Andrew's. Thomas was educated at the local parish school and St. John's College. For nine years he farmed and taught school. Thomas and Elizabeth had twelve children

He acted as Reverend John Black's emissary during the Anglophone militancy against Riel. Upon delivering a letter, Riel tore it up and jailed Thomas. Thomas went on to become a member of the legislative assembly, succeeding his brother, John Norquay. He was elected to the Manitoba Legislature in the Kildonan byelection of February 1890. He died at Winnipeg on 9 June 1892 as a result of a railway accident.



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