

Also what he said in regard to Mr. Garland, as found on page 2695 of the unrevised Hansard:

"He (Mr. Garland) had in his employ this young man who was devoting 12 or 14 hours a day to his duties and who received a salary of \$75 a month. He not only permitted, but he encouraged and assisted that young man to make a contract with the Government under which, within a few weeks, he acquired a profit of \$9,000. I cannot for one moment give my sanction or approval to a transaction of that character, because to say the least, it is bound to arouse a very grave suspicion."

This no doubt was the proper stand to take. Thanks to the investigation forced by the Liberals, evidence had been produced which to say the least was not at all satisfactory so far as these two members of Parliament were concerned. But why should Mr. Borden condemn these two members of Parliament and protect others? **Why did he overlook the men responsible for the rotten boots? Why did he forget to mention his Nationalist Deputy Speaker Sevigny, who as the fore-going evidence will show, did as much in getting his sister contracts for drugs as Mr. Garland did in getting contracts for Mr. Powell?**

Why did the Premier exonerate his Minister of Militia who permitted his private secretary to take out a patent on a shield shovel and spent over \$30,000 of the country's money on it. According to the evidence, he sent these shovels to Great Britain without handles, and the British Government found that they were unfit for service. Did Sir Robert Borden in his declaration state that every member of Parliament who was found guilty of wrong-doing such as Mr. Foster and Mr. Garland had been convicted of, would be read out of the Party? Not a bit of it. He made a statement intended to convey the impression that he was taking a high and noble stand for the good of the country and the honor of his party.

But he touched only the fringe of the proved corruption and he left untouched, without word or hint of disapproval or displeasure, many in the rank and file of his party.

THE REMEDY.

Mr. Borden suggested a remedy in regard to the purchasing of supplies. Hansard, page 2698, quotes him:

"We propose, as soon as this Parliament prorogues, to take up the question of the purchase of supplies under the appropriation of \$100,000,000 and we propose to have a commission appointed of either one man or three men."

In appointing this business man's Committee what did Premier Borden do?