

entered a protest against this matter being dealt with in the rapid and, to me, partial manner in which it has been dealt with. As Chairman of the Educational Committee, I had my time pretty well taken up arranging the bundle of requests, some forty-two in number, that we have just succeeded in getting through. I was under the impression, too, that I was the chairman of the Printing Committee, but I find that is not the case. I did not know the Printing Committee had ever come together until yesterday morning, when I was asked by Dr. Britton, chairman of the committee, to go into the committee room to meet the committee. The first part of the report that was put in to you yesterday was already drawn up and ready then. I suggested that it might be well for the Council to ask for tenders in this matter, and not to close this up without further consideration.

Why the Council dealt with it in the manner that they have I am at a loss to know. The second part of the report of the Committee does not seem to have been considered by the Council at all. As I understand it, the first part of the report was acted on; the second part was not acted on. I cannot understand why this has been done, unless it is that perhaps the smallness of the figure for the printing, which was suggested in the communication yesterday, had led somebody to think that the matter was being trifled with, or something of that kind, and that the Council were offended rather. What I contend for is this, that whatever that communication was, it was only from one of those persons who might tender for this work; that there are a number of others who might tender. We have heard from two or three already, and probably there might be more who are ready to tender for this. Under any circumstances, I think the matter should be carried out on the lines we observed last year. You will remember that last year we made a contract. We thought the contract was a very good one, because it secured to the Council the privileges of having our printing done for \$200 a year less than it had ever cost us before, and secured also, free of expense, to every member of this College a monthly journal. I voted for the acceptance of that offer. I believed it was a very good offer and a very good way to do it. But this year we have a better offer—in fact, two or three—one gentleman offers to do the whole printing of the Council for one dollar per year.

Dr. MILLER—Which is absurd.

Dr. JOHNSON—If there are gentlemen who have such facilities for doing the printing that they can make a living profit out of the work they do for us at the price at which they put their tender in, in good faith I think it is our duty to accept the tender. I look upon the matter in this way: that we are trustees for the money of our constituents; and I do not feel that I can conscientiously agree to use the money of my constituents in this manner. The University representatives, of course, do not consider this. The Universities do not have to pay for this. The hard worked practitioner has to pay his \$2 a year. They ought to have this matter done as cheaply and as well as possible. I believe the whole matter ought to be opened up, and tenders called for, to be put in with the name of the person tendering in a sealed envelope in the tender; that that sealed envelope should not be opened until the tender has been selected and agreed upon and awarded, that no one may know before the

award is made to whom the tender is to be given; that upon the tender being awarded, the name of the person tendering should be known. We have tenders from two gentlemen at least; let us hear what others are ready to do before we decide this matter.

Dr. MOORE—Mr. President, I rise to a point of order, and direct your attention to Rule of Order No. 13, which says: "Notice shall be given of all motions for introducing new matter, other than matters of privilege and petitions, at a meeting previous to that at which it comes up for discussion, unless dispensed with by a three-fourths vote of the members present. Any matter, when once decided by the Council, shall not be re-introduced during the continuance of that session, unless by a two-thirds vote of the Council then present."

Dr. JOHNSON—I asked permission to speak about these communications, and I have said what I have to say.

The PRESIDENT—If the rule were strictly applied, Dr. Johnson would have to give notice of motion. But when the communication was read I allowed the discussion to go.

Dr. ROGERS—Dr. Johnson is making an explanation.

Dr. JOHNSON—I only make an explanation as to why I was not here yesterday.

The PRESIDENT—If Dr. Johnson wishes to make any further remarks, he must have notice dispensed with by a three-fourths vote of the members present.

Dr. JOHNSON—I believe it should be re-opened.

Dr. DAY—Why don't you move it? What is the use of a long speech if you do not want to do anything?

Dr. JOHNSON—I give notice of motion that at the next meeting of this Council I will move that the report of the Printing Committee, which was adopted by this Council, be re-considered, and that tenders be asked for the printing therein referred to.

MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN AT PREVIOUS MEETING.

Dr. Thorburn moved, seconded by Dr. Williams, that a committee be appointed to watch legislation in the Provincial Legislature, and to advise the Executive Committee on such matters, and to report at the next session of the Council any changes in the Medical Act deemed advisable; such committee to consist of Drs. Day, Bergin, Logan, Johnson and the mover and seconder.

I think this committee may not have very much to do—so much the better—but it may devolve upon the next Council to watch more particularly any action taken by the Legislature, and it will do no harm, at all events, for this committee to have a watch upon legislation. And in naming the Committee, I have borne in mind that most of these gentlemen have had considerable experience in legislative matters.

Dr. FOWLER—Does that "next session of the Council" refer to the new Council? If so, we have no right to appoint a committee for the next Council.

Dr. THORBURN—We do not know what may occur between this and then.

Dr. DAY—This Council lives and exists until the next Council meets.

Dr. FOWLER—It is said in the regulations that at the first meeting of the new Council the Registrar