Your territorial representative, Dr. Hart, will receive all the help needed in making out any returns at any time, and you can apply to him to obtain any information, if you wish.

For the above reasons, I cannot accede to your request that you be given permission to examine the Treasurer's books personally. The Council has been criticized lately, I well know; but I have not seen a criticism during the past eighteen months and while I have been President, the subject and object of which has not been considered already by the Council and improvement attempted, whenever and as soon as possible. Such bodies are always open to criticism, sometimes wrongly and oftentimes rightly; but any change or improvement must always come from within and by the actions of those elected to try to carry out the wishes of the majority of the electors. Therefore, I cannot agree with you when you say that those members of the College who are not members of the Council are the ones to supervise our books and control things to suit their own ideas.

With kind regards, I am.

Yours very truly,

E. A. P. HARDY.

Office of the

Veterinary Director-General and Live Stock Commissioner,

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DEAR SIR,—I have your letter of the 7th inst. in reference to the number of cases of rabies which have come to the knowledge of the Department in the last twelve months.

In reply I beg to state that, from March 1st, 1909, to February 28th, 1910, 234 dogs were placed in quarantine, and in 41 additional cases rabies was definitely diagnosed, in 38 of them by animal ineculation at our biological laboratory here.

Of the 234 dogs placed in quarantine, strong suspicion existed