

Mr. LAURIER. The hon. gentleman should have it at this moment, and he has no right to ask the committee to vote money unless he is prepared to give the necessary information. If the hon. gentleman is not prepared to give it, let the item stand.

Mr. FOSTER. Yes, if the hon. gentleman chooses to be unreasonable, when I have already given every detail of expenditure under the heading of this item, and the total amount paid to the commissioners, only I am not able at the moment to say what amount was received by each. If the hon. gentleman says no, I am willing to stay here, and I am not willing to let the item go. It is, of course, within his right to stop the voting of supplies.

Mr. DAVIES (P.E.I.) The hon. gentleman is not putting the matter fairly. There has been considerable discussion as to the respective amounts paid to the several commissioners. The information has been asked by a number of temperance newspapers and anti-temperance newspapers as to how the division took place. Members of Parliament are expected to obtain the information at this time, because it is the proper time. The hon. gentleman stated that he has not that information to-night. The leader of the Opposition then asked that the item be allowed to stand, which he is entitled to do. In what respect is he unreasonable? The Minister is seeking to force this item through the committee without furnishing information, and which our constituents are demanding.

Mr. FOSTER. I do not want to force the item through. If hon. gentlemen opposite do not want to pass it, let it stand.

Item allowed to stand.

To pay to the Medicine Hat General Hospital—

For the maintenance of R. VanLuven from 10th May, 1891, to 30th November, 1892, 561 days at 50c. per day..	\$280 50
For the maintenance of S. Johnson from 15th November, 1890, to 30th November, 1892, 746 days at 50c. per day .....	373 00

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. What is the cause of these payments?

Mr. DALY. The explanation is this. These two men are paralytics and have been in the Medicine Hat hospital since the date given. Previous to being taken into that hospital, one had been in the Mounted Police barracks at Fort Saskatchewan, and the other in the barracks at Prince Albert, and as it was not possible to look after them there, the Medicine Hat hospital authorities took them over. In 1892, an order was passed in the North-west Territories Assembly giving 50 cents per day to the hospital. This is to pay 50 cents per day to the hospital for the accommodation up to the time the order was passed.

Mr. FOSTER.

To cover expenses of the late Hon. Sir J. S. D. Thompson's funeral (Governor General's warrant)..... \$25,000

Sir RICHARD CARTWRIGHT. Some explanations must be given as to this item. Here is a very large sum for expenses of this kind, and details ought to be furnished to the committee, and fully. I must say, with respect to these expenses, that there appears to be ground for suspecting or believing that very unusual and very lavish and unnecessary expenditure in that respect was incurred, and full details should be given.

Mr. HAGGART. I will give the hon. gentleman full details, for I have them all here. \$3,000 was paid to the Nova Scotia Furnishing Company on account of public buildings. Then there is the sum of \$911 to James Monaghan & Sons for building vault, building roadway, &c.

Mr. DAVIES (P.E.I.) I desire to ask if that is the full account of the Nova Scotia Furnishing Company?

Mr. HAGGART. Yes. Halifax Illuminating and Motor Company, \$1,600; lighting provincial buildings, \$333; rations to militia, \$31; Kenny & Co., bunting, \$1,228; E. A. Neill, \$39 for services and use of horses; also an account from Dodwell & Greenwood; Gordon & Keefe, \$5,000; Snow, \$1,800.

Mr. LAURIER. What goods were supplied for the \$5,000?

Mr. HAGGART. Draperies and furnishings, among the items being 13,600 yards of black material. There is an account of \$86 from A. P. Sherwood, chief of Dominion Police. The cost of car service on the Intercolonial Railway, special train Ottawa to Halifax and return, and disbursements, was \$3,616.

Mr. DAVIES (P.E.I.) Are we to understand that the bills now laid before the House cover all the claims of which the Government have any knowledge, with respect to the funeral of the late Premier?

Mr. HAGGART. That is all that has come to my knowledge.

Mr. DAVIES (P.E.I.) And that there are no other claims placed before the Government?

Mr. HAGGART. That is all I have any knowledge of.

Mr. DAVIES (P.E.I.) Do those bills amount to \$25,000?

Mr. FORBES. There is only about \$15,000.

Mr. HAGGART. I think they do. The whole expenditure, except the railroad account was under the management of the Minister of Public Works. I was one of the committee, but I am not acquainted with the details.