

Monthly Publishing Company—and I immediately called the committee together. The members of the committee left the Council Chamber, and on that occasion I asked the committee, including Dr. Johnson, for their opinion. Dr. Johnson would give no opinion, but said, "Settle it among yourselves," and he left our committee room and came in here. I think I have given fairly positive proof that the committee has not been a hole-in-the-corner concern bulldozed by me or by anybody else—that there is nothing in the shape of cliquism in it, and I think my conduct after presenting the report and the words I spoke in this room, are pretty positive proof that there was no tendency towards cliquism. I would be one of the first to oppose it if there had been, because I took the same ground as Dr. Johnson takes to-day, that is, that it would be wise we should have tenders, and that we should not subsidize any journal. I opposed the subsidizing of any journal in that committee the same as I oppose it now. I hope I have set myself right. I am very sorry these statements were made this morning in my absence, because it would have facilitated matters if I had had an opportunity to set myself right immediately, as I would have done if I had been here.

Dr. PHILIP—With these personal explanations which have been granted as a matter of privilege, this matter is closed.

Dr. Johnson moved, seconded by Dr. Thorburn, that the Medical Library Company, now renting rooms from this Council be hereafter permitted to occupy the said rooms without charge.

Dr. MILLER—As a territorial representative I must enter my protest against the passage of any such resolution as this by this Council. Our constituents throughout the country have been in the habit of charging the Council with having made vast grants to this Library Committee. These matters are capable of refutation, but if a resolution of this description were to go upon the minutes of this Council, at once it would be said that the representatives of the schools had, perhaps, by generosity of a certain description drawn the wool over the eyes of the territorial representatives; and that they were induced to make another and further grant to Toronto and the medical profession in Toronto. As plainly as possible on behalf of the territorial representatives I beg leave to enter my protest against the passage of any such resolution as that. If these people are desirous of occupying rooms in this building, which is said to be non-paying, I, for one, feel disposed to charge them as I would anybody else (hear, hear). We must insist upon having a fair rental from them.

Dr. HARRIS—I am a University representative. I suppose I should not take this question up for the schools; it should come from Dr. Thorburn or Dr. Geikie.

Dr. MILLER—You are one of them.

Dr. HARRIS—Some members of this Council seem to confuse the Universities with the Medical Schools; and they class us together. They seem to think, as Dr. Miller would convey, the impression to the country at large.

Dr. MILLER—I am not giving you my impression, because I know better. But I am conveying to this Council the views which are entertained by our constituents throughout the country; that the profession

in Toronto and the schools in Toronto are profiting by that library which is sustained by this Council at the expense of men who never see the inside of the library.

Dr. HARRIS—This resolution is moved by a territorial representative.

Dr. MILLER—He is a Toronto man.

Dr. JOHNSON—Anybody has a right to see this library.

Dr. HARRIS—For my part I intend to vote against the resolution, but I do not think Dr. Miller is right in insinuating that the schools—

Dr. ROGERS—I quite endorse all that Dr. Miller has said. The feeling of the profession is that this Library Association, if they occupy rooms of this College, should pay the same rent as any other person. I quite endorse that feeling too, because it is a building owned by the whole profession.

Dr. BRAY—I move, seconded by Dr. Bergin, that if the Ontario Library Association wish to continue the occupancy of their present room in this building that they may do so by paying \$100 per annum as heretofore.

Dr. PHILIP—I hope it will not be considered out of order for me to make a remark from the Chair. When I was on the Finance Committee we had a good deal of trouble with the Ontario Library Association. The first year we gave them one room for the nominal sum of \$1 in order to encourage them to establish their library. We had a good deal of trouble the next year. We had arrangements to give them a room for \$100 a year. Continuous objection was made to that; and I know the Finance Committee at that time, during two successive years, had a good deal of trouble and a good deal of unnecessary trouble with them; and finally, after a great deal of writing and correspondence, we had a final binding arrangement with them that they should continue to pay for these two rooms—and very good rooms they are—\$100 per annum. I know there is a very strong feeling amongst the voters in the territorial districts as to this matter.

The President then put the amendment and declared it carried.

Sir JAMES GRANT—I gave notice of motion with reference to the preliminary examinations, but I am aware at this stage of the meeting it will be impossible for the Council to take any positive action upon this matter. I have been consulted by the University of Ottawa; and, as you know, that University stands exceedingly high; and their preliminary examination, when you investigate, you will find is almost higher than any other preliminary examination in the universities of Canada—the classical examination in Greek and Latin, particularly, is exceedingly high—and the University authorities think this Council should accept their examination as sufficient qualification for those entering upon the study of medicine. I would not ask this Council to adjudicate upon this matter to-day, but I will ask the authorities of the University to forward to this College a copy of their syllabus and of the examination required from their students. And I will ask, also, the consideration of the Education Committee of this Council on this important question, inasmuch as I feel perfectly satisfied that their judgment will be quite sufficient; and as the representative of that University, I will be quite willing to abide by whatever decision they arrive at.