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**AVOIDING RESPONSIBILITY**

Those persons who are familiar with procedure will doubt the right of the Drury Government to bring in, as it has announced its intention of doing, the bills of the Government by private members in order to avoid being defeated on division. In other words, it is the intention, it would seem, of the new administration to try out theories regardless of what are constitutional usages and customs. This may suggest itself to novices as being shrewd and workable, but time will show that the laws of procedure which the decades have established cannot be whimsically set aside in legislatures and parliaments.

If the Government does not take the responsibility of introducing bills as Government measures, for fear of being defeated on a vote, it is not a Government that can hope to last long. Any administration which does not have strength enough to stand as a Government in legislative enactments, has not strength enough to stand the acid test of public opinion.

There is no reason yet to believe that Hon. Mr. Drury and his colleagues have not enough good ideas and sound principles to commend them to the public for a fair chance. The Journal believes that they should be given such an opportunity, but at the same time, it holds that being a Government it should stand on its feet four-square and face the winds just as other Governments have had to do.

The United Farmers and the Labor Party must not forget that before being elected to office they were constant critics and fault finders. They must expect now that they are in office that the electors of Ontario will demand that they carry out their pre-election theories or forfeit public esteem.

**WHAT EVIDENCE SHOWS**

What has transpired in St. Catharines would seem to bear out the opinions of medical men that vaccination prevents the spread of smallpox. According to the evidence the first number of cases of the pox that broke out in this city were among youths. Now the cases are among adults mostly. Nearly all children have been vaccinated and the disease is not displaying itself amongst them. The medical men say that if the adults of the city had all been vaccinated when the first cases of the pox broke out here the epidemic would have disappeared by now. Not only does their experience as practitioners seem to sound but the actual events in this city bear out their contentions, even though one may be reluctant to grant that vaccination is necessary.

**IN A BAD STATE**

Something should be done by the city authorities to improve the bad conditions at the Isolation Hospital. The accommodation is so bad that if the institution were any other than a public property, it would, we believe,

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**FROM OTHER PENS**

**AN INTERRUPTED JOURNEY**

Toronto Star.—The recall of Ad-Jellioce to England when he was about to sail for South Africa—with Sir Robert Borden along to secure the benefits of the sea voyage—has caused a good deal of conjecture as to the reasons for it.

In some circles it is assumed that a rekindling of the fires of war is threatened, and that the naval and military authorities are in important conference in Paris. In other quarters it is surmised that the susceptibilities of South Africa were ruffled by the idea that the Prime Minister of Canada had been picked up by Admiral Jellicoe and would accompany him on his mission to that country.

There may be nothing in this latter surmise. It is pretty well understood at Ottawa that Sir Robert Borden's health is his supreme concern just now, and that the invitation to travel on the flagship attracted him because of the completeness with which it would isolate him from the cares of office. There was nothing in the nature of a mission in his journey.

But it may be well that in South Africa the news of his coming with Admiral Jellicoe would take on an aspect of intention and political purpose. Jellicoe, as a naval expert, was making a round of visits to the overseas Dominions on the invitation of the representatives at the Imperial conference to give them such naval advice as they might solicit of him. The news that after visiting Australia and Canada he was coming to South Africa accompanied by the Prime Minister of Canada might change the complexion of the affair—might make it appear not that a naval official was coming to give advice as it might be required by the South African Government, but that naval propagandists were coming to apply persuasion and pressure.

The overseas nations inclined what Generalsmut calls the British Commonwealth, not Empire, have a certain amount of reason to be on guard against pressure. The statesmen of Great Britain are aware of the sturdy determination of the different Dominions to deal with their own affairs, but London is alive with organizations and groups of persons who are forever busy saving the Empire from what they regard as the incompetencies of all its Governments at home and abroad.

Total subscriptions to the Victory Loan of 1919 are reported at \$682,032,215.

be condemned by the medical authorities. The new Board of Health has a strong case to lay before the Council for enough money to make the hospital habitable, not only for more patients, should an epidemic require, but for the help that has to look after the sick. The conditions as they are today is no credit to St. Catharines.

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"I think," said Burleigh, "I asked him about that and he said he did not remember seeing any."  
Burleigh stated that two horses were used on the water wagon.

"Why, then was only one set of harness drawn from ordinance?"  
"I don't know."

Burleigh said Greenwood bought his own harness.  
With reference to the rent paid for stoves, Burleigh said he knew of no stove rent for the 19th paid by the department.

Burleigh said Greenwood brought a great batch of bills to him and asked him if he should keep them. "I said I didn't suppose he needed to. They totalled \$821." He knew because they had been checked up by the orderly room sergeant.

Questioned about the car, Burleigh said the purchase of it might have originated from one of the other officers. He said he had subsequently sold the car to Greenwood.

"Whose property was it?"  
"I don't know. It wasn't mine. I put the money in my safe in 1916, and it's there it is today."  
"Why didn't you report this before?"  
"I didn't know who the money belonged to."

President Cruikshank reminded Burleigh that Greenwood in his evidence had said he knew nothing about the car, except what he had heard that morning in evidence.

"Well, he used it soon himself," said Burleigh, "and surely must have known it came from somewhere."  
Burleigh made the comment that Greenwood fell down wonderfully in giving his evidence.

"Perhaps others did, too," commented the president.  
Questioned closely as to why he needed a car, Colonel Burleigh said it was necessary to get around quickly.

"Couldn't you have used the trolley car?"  
"Not very well—I could have walked to better advantage."  
"But you had a horse?"  
"No, sir."  
"How about this horse allowance, then?"

"I used that in transportation, sir." A letter written by Col Burleigh to Colonel Ptolemy was read by the president. The letter was dated November, 1914. In it he said he had brought a horse down on August 9, 1914; and it had been on duty ever since. This was in reply to a report that he was drawing horse allowance and had no horse.

Burleigh said he unaccountably meant Greenwood's horse.  
Captain D. V. Currey, M. D., was attached to the 19th till 1916, and used his own car in most cases. He drew horse allowance because he was using his own car. He had taken it up with some officers and was told he could not draw auto allowance. The expense of running the car was more than he was being paid.  
"Was there any arrangement made that you could draw horse allowance in lieu of auto allowance?" asked the president.

"I don't know of any—I simply went on drawing the horse allowance. My auto was simply put in instead of a horse," said Dr. Currey.  
"Was this sanctioned?"  
"I can't say."

**Colonel Burleigh Recalled**  
Last night after Dr. Currey had concluded his evidence, Colonel Burleigh was recalled and further questioned.

He said he had received no other cheques from Captain McKinley for accounts. He recalled McKinley telling him several times that Lt. Greenwood was spending more money than he should.

Asked how he knew this when no accounts were kept, Burleigh said McKinley evidently knew.

President Cruikshank asked how he got funds to pay the bills for the \$821; an account at Bradley's for \$633, and \$620 for the motor car.

He said he didn't know there was an account at Bradley's.  
"Even when you say Bradley's were pressing for payment?"  
"No."  
"Is it a fact Greenwood started to get extras about the last of September?"  
"The extras were started August 11th."

"How do you know?"  
"I am sure of it."  
He was asked how he could tell at any time that there would be funds available for the extras, and he could not say; neither did he know if there were funds to meet all expenditures.

"This cheque of \$821 given you—what became of it?" asked the president.  
"I gave it to Greenwood. My own bookkeeper cashed it."  
"Why didn't you endorse it to Greenwood?"  
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"What expenditures had been contracted up to that time for such an amount?"  
He was unable to say, but there was a stack of bills.

"Were there any other accounts besides Bradley's?" asked the general.  
Burleigh replied that he didn't think so, but he didn't know that Bradley's had an account.  
"Was not Bradley's account made out at your instance?" demanded the president. "Did you not want to draw 75 cents and put the balance between that and 40 cents to the fund to pay for these extras?"  
"Absolutely no," replied Burleigh. "He said Captain McKinley asked him if he would like some money for the regimental fund and handed him \$900, saying it was left over from overseas quotas. Then a few days later he gave Burleigh \$200 more."  
"I deposited it in the regimental fund, under 'Sale of Badges and rent of chairs,'" said the witness.

"Was that true? It was a false statement, meant to deceive?"  
"Yes."  
"Who?"  
"The junior officers," said Burleigh. "He said he believed the money was left over after paying the contractors' bills."  
"The same game as played in the first five and a half days?" commented the president.

"Yes, but I didn't know anything about that."  
Burleigh explained that McKinley had given him \$928.03 in all, part of which was represented in a receipted bill of Frank Taylor, Niagara Falls, for \$328.60. He had also paid another bill of \$200 which probably came from the same source.

"Yesterday," remarked the General "a recapitulation was made, showing a profit of \$166.16 on Capt. Gander's draft alone. That deposit and these bills could be easily covered in the profit of that draft alone."  
In the regimental account book on April 12th, 1915, there appeared another entry, which would nearly make up the balance of that account, but Burleigh said he couldn't remember where the funds came from, or whether Captain McKinley had given him any more money.

He said these things were done to save the Militia Department, in explaining why he had made an effort to get payment of money spent for coal, oil, candles, picks, novels, brooms, etc.  
Witness was asked why Colgate's were paid with Government cheques. He produced one cheque for \$60.  
Burleigh suggested it might have been a 4th Regiment account.  
"The bill was presented by you?" said the president.

Asked about a number of cheques of the Welland Canal Protective Force, Burleigh said they represented the rent of stoves and he thought the Department paid the accounts.  
Mr. Hodgins could find no record of such cheques being drawn on the bank account of the 19th paymaster.

The General read a letter from Engineers Headquarters discontinuing the renting of stoves by the Welland Canal Protective Force, and a second from the D.A.G., asking for a checking of accounts for renting stoves.

Burleigh admitted that some may (Continued on page four)

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**NEWS BRIEFS**

The Canroni triplane, flying from Rome to Tokyo, has reached Saloniki.

Prices on the Toronto Exchange were somewhat easier, and English selling of securities continued.

Every river in the state of Maryland is frozen over and many of the oystering craft are stranded.

Canadiens beat St. Patricks 3 to 2 at Montreal, and Ottawa won at home from the Quebec team by 12 to 1.

The United States Railway Administration has placed an embargo on all freight moving east from Canada to the United States by way of the Niagara frontier.

Georges Carpentier, the French heavyweight boxer, will visit the United States on business next month, and may engage in some exhibition bouts.

Frederic Windsor of Ford, eighty years of age, was instantly killed at Windsor by a train whose approach he did not hear, having his head muffled up in a thick scarf.

A vote on a general strike throughout Canada as a protest against R. B. Russell's trial and conviction was carried at a meeting of Winnipeg Labor bodies last Saturday. It was announced yesterday.

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**NIAGARA FRONTIER CLOSED**  
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The announcement is too embarrassing for eastern United States in the Niagara frontier. These will have to be held until means of disposing of them are found. They may cause a strain on the track facilities of Canadian lines.  
Niagara Traffic Heavy.  
The seriousness of the situation indicated by the fact that the Niagara gateways carry the heaviest amount of international traffic of any frontier points, the association

Between December 21 and 31, nearly ten thousand loaded cars, bound to the United States line, Canadian lines at the Niagara frontier. At this rate this could leave one thousand cars per hands of the Canadian, which they would have to

stock room. Certain exceptions allowed in the embargo as enjoyed. Live stock, perisanoire newsprint paper, wood pulp, Government freight, bitu-

mineral products, and freight movement through Atlantic board points covered by special

sits.

**SMALLPOX FIGURES**  
**SHOW A DECREASE**

Twenty Places in Province Report Cases for First Time.  
Weekly figures for the period January 17 show a decrease in the number of cases of smallpox in the Province as compared with the previous week, although there was a slight increase in the number in Toronto. The total number in the Province is 288, with one death, the figures for the previous week were 325. Toronto last week reported 179 cases and 1 death as compared with 164 cases and 4 deaths the previous week.

There are 20 places in which are reported for the first time. They are: Theasalon, East Luther, West Nelson, Oakville, Snowdon, Strathroy, Widdifield, Chatham, Fitch, Eastmore, Flox, Nottawasaga, Waterloo Township, Cosby and Township, Whitby, and Newmarket.

This far in January, there have been 11 cases of sleeping sickness reported with six deaths. The localities in which there are cases present are: East Tilbury, Oshesorell, Listowel, and Perth. There is one case in each place.

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