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ANTI-VACCINATION BILL WITHDRAWN BY PROULX

Acceding to the request of Premier Ferguson, Edmond Proulx, Liberal member for Prescott, last night withdrew his anti-vaccination bill from this session's legislative program.

When the bill was called for second reading last night Mr. Proulx repeated his plea that it should go before the Legal Committee where expert advice might be heard in favor and against compulsory vaccination.

"I know," said Premier Ferguson, "that there are conscientious objectors to vaccination. But I think we all agree that the great preponderance of opinion is in favor of it."

But, said he, the bill had just been introduced a few days ago when the session was nearing its close. And he suggested that Mr. Proulx "having done his duty by his anti-vaccination friends" withdraw the measure and he could bring it in again early next session when there would be ample time to discuss it.