

efforts, all those concerned seem to be in accord:

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Mr. Charles Murphy, Mr. Pedley, Mr. Hunter, and at first, Mr. Pope. Why then did it not materialize? First, because of Mr. Pedley's reluctance to yield up his offices in the East Block, until he was ordered to do so. Secondly, because of Mr. Pope's reversal of attitude - (a) as he was sick and tired of being moved around - already three times in the first summer, and (b) from fear of prejudicing his good relations with Mr. Pedley and other Deputy Ministers. Thirdly, - faced with Pope's reversal, stubbornness and reluctance, - Sir Wilfrid Laurier weakened and "deferred to him". Thus the Department remained in the Trafalgar Building for the next five years.

The efforts of the Governor General apparently ceased. The final reply of Sir Wilfrid Laurier does not appear on the record. Why, after the final persuasion of ~~Early~~ Grey, Pope did not accede to the obvious "public interest," to superior "orders", and obtain what he had so badly desired himself, is not explained. One can only suppose that he had become piqued, stubborn and martyr-like, and would not move when finally given the chance, and also did not want to be blamed for having ousted any of his colleagues.

#### New Efforts While in Trafalgar Building.

To be separated, "as far away as Calcutta," and "over a barber-shop", from his own Departmental chiefs - first Charles Murphy, then Mr. Roche, and then Sir Robert Borden; from the offices with which he shared