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SAINT JOHN, FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 16, 1909.

INVESTIGATION REFUSED.

The refusal might as well have come yesterday. It would have been more candid for the Minister of Public Works to say in October, or at the beginning of the session, that he would resist exposure with all his might rustee for the people, is now an officer under the configuration.

Works to say in October, or at the beginning of the session, that he would resist exposure with all his might.

There has never been any contradiction of the statement that Mr. McAvity got this \$35,930. Nobody doubts it. Mr. Mayes has the cheques that were paid. Mr. McAvity has made sworn statements, but he has not denied a time Central Railway, and that there is said to be a claim to the control of the Dominion Government has an investment of \$190,400 in the Central Railway, and that there is said to be a claim to the control of the Dominion Government has an investment of \$190,400 in the Central Railway, and that there is said to be a claim.

receiving the money. receiving the money.

It is not denied that Mr. Mayes had previously offered to do the work for a lower sum than was paid, that the higher tender was put in at Mr. McAvity's instance, and that there was an agreement under which he

George Taylor, M. P., Conservative Whip, has been people knew. Mr. Pugsley wasted a great deal of time over the mistake in date which Mr. Hazen did not make. At least one thousand persons in this province heard what Mr. Hazen read, and know that he made the correction, giving the date exactly as Mr. Pugsley says it out that this occurred. He is simply making a cheap pretence that he is the victim of misrepresentation. In any case the affidavit which Dr. Daniel offered to the house has been made since then and it has the date right.

Besides if the Minister's statement is correct the date is of no consequence. If he was paid for his political influence it was a corrupt proceeding whether he was a Minister or not. If he was only collecting a debthe had as good right to cothat in 1907 as in 1905.

But the presentation did not add much to what Speedy in 1906 and 1907. Cauditor-General, 1906, v292 and 1907 v225.)

George Taylor, M. P., Conservative Whip, has been much reproached because he assumed that a charge for blouses, cloaks and costumes, in the Marine Department because he assumed that a charge for blouse, cloaks and costumes, in the Marine Department expenditure referred to ladies' clothing. Mr. Brodeur says tarthem to expenditure referred to ladjes' clothing. Mr. Brodeur says tarthem, Broven with the present to lodges' clothing. Mr. Brodeur says tarthem, Broven with the present to lodges' clothing. Mr. Brodeur says tarthem, Broven with the present to lodges' clothing. Mr. Brodeur says tarthem, Brodeur says that these are men's clothes. But if Mr. Taylor wishes to prove that the Government does buy suits for ladies he will make his point by reference to the expenditure referred to ladjes' clothing. Mr. Brodeur says tarthem, Brodeur says that the seathem his port wishes to prove that the Government does buy suits for ladies he will mke his point of says and 1907. (Auditor-General, 1906, v292 and 1907 v225.)

This tow boat was on both years supplied with a suit for the stewardess. They each cost \$25. The item

he had as good right to go that in 1907 us in 1905. But the present question is not what Mr. Mayes or

Mr. Hazen said. It is what Mr. Pugsley and Mr. Mc-

Yesterday's proceeding is full of encouragement to middlemen. It shows them that the rake-off period has not come to an end, and that their industry will still be permitted to flourish under the protection or a pater

NO PERSECUTION.

When the Pugsley organs speak of the Minister of Public Works as a persecuted man hated by Conservatives for party reasons, they go so far as to make themseives and him ridiculous. Mr. Pugsley has never been persecuted and has never been hated. If he were no more distrusted than he is disliked he would be safe.

No other public man in Canada could have done the things that this man has done and escaped so well as he. Mr. Pugsley owes more to the personal consideration and leniency of contemporary politicians and the press than any other member of the present Parliament.

Is there anywhere else a politician who would have had as little trouble as he over the Leary job and the Leary Telegram? Who else would have got through the Rothessy lists affair as he did? What parallel is there to the "suspense account" story in the public annals? Could any other minister have taken such liberties with the treasury and remain in public life? Where is the other man who could have manipulated Central Railway legislation, administration and finance as he did, and be allowed to keep at it so long? This very dredging contract sind the circumstances connected with it illustrate the impunity of the Minister.

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colleagues of Sir Wilfrid may have been forced out of the ministry, but Mr. Pugsley remains in charge of the second largest spending department is turned upside down by commissions, but the Public Works is barred against the investigators. Yet the organs say that the Minister of Public Works is persecuted!

The statement that Mr. Pugsley is the victim of party malignity is a joke at the Minister's expense. One of Tennyson's characters refuses to believe that his neighbor died of heart disease. "What heart had he to die of?" he asks. On account of what party should Mr. Pugsley be hateu! He has got all he could out of every party, including the Third, and would start out on a new promenade tomorrow if the prospects were attractive. No one hates him for that. The sentiment is better expressed by Thother word.

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How does it happen that the St. John Globe is not us; we have sa why not you?

Our teeth are him because ne is a Liberal. certainly does not object to him because ne is a Liberal. Why did that veteran Liberal, Mr. Hill, a few years ago pay his disrespects to Mr. Pugsley in the legislature? Why is it that some of the best Liberals in this province Why is it that some of the best Liberals in this province uturned against the late Provincial ministry when Mr. Pugsley was leader? They had other and better readily a leader to the mount of the mount ons than party prejudice

And yet though this feeling of distrust and alarm over the political activities of Mr. Pugsley have prevailed for years, and grown stronger with each exposure, it is still a fact that Mr. Pugsley has enjoyed immunities which no other Canadian politician in his place could have hoped for. But the line must be drawn somewhere,

THE FEDERAL INTEREST.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has reached a sort of preliminary decision that the Central Railway Commission report is of no interest to the Federal Government and Parliament. ised to make a statement in Parliament, but has since concluded not to carry out this undertaking. Mr. Foster will on Monday try to show the Premier that the matter

After two days' evasion and dodging the Government has refused an investigation into the McAvity dredging deal. The middleman will keep his \$35,930. The Laurier Government does not want it back.

The refusal might as well have come yesterday. It ment at Ottawa. It is a matter of some concern to

for further amounts based on the cost of construction for

Mr. Pugsley objected as offensive:—

"On October 15, 1905, I received a telephone mess"sage from Dr. Pugsley asking me to call and see him
"next day, which I did. He said 'MR. MAYES, I AM IN
"NEED OF MONEY AND IT WOULD BE NICE IF YOU
"COULD HELP ME."

The Minister interrupted at this point and caused the general discussion.

The Sackvine Tribune thinks the Mail is hard on Mr. Foster when it calls him "a gamey fighter" considering "what made Mr. Gamey notorious." Mr. Gamey attained some eminence by exposing a plot of the Ross Government of Ontario to retain power by purchasing the support of members. This exposure went a long way to drive the Ross Government out of power, and make its memory a shame and disgrace to the Liberai party.

Miss Beatrice Estelle Cann.
Annapolis Royal, April 15.—Miss Reatrice Estelle Cann passed away at the home of her mother in Yarmouth on Sunday after a lingering muth on Sunday after a lingering muth on Sunday after and muth on Sunday after a lingering muth on Sunday after a lin

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thance, and that there was not narement under which he was to get the extra five cents per yard. The papers include a signed agreement to that effect.

With these things uncontradicted, and with the evidence waiting, what sense is there in the statement that there is no ground for action? The excuses given are alsolutely valued and irvitous. They themselves cavity the Premier of a deplaced intention. They themselves cavity the Premier of a gain, and to shield the Minister of Pulsi Works.

It is no reason that the motion is one of want of confidences. Dr. Laniel said nothing about want of the said of devices reministed as the statement of a party to the deem and made upon him is open for discussion. But the first question is whether the arrement was made and enforced. That is a matter on which there is documentary evidence. This evidence has been offered to the Premiers whether the large centent was made and enforced. That is a matter on which there is documentary evidence. This evidence has been offered to the Premiers whether the large centent was made and enf

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said it would give judgment at a later date.

Andrew J. Gorman vs. Arthur B. Copp. On motion of Mr. W.C. Walker the case was placed at the foot of the docket. the docket.

Allingham vs. School Trustees of the Parish of Lancaster, on motion of W. H. Harrison was struck off with leave to re-enter. A similar motion was made and granted to H. A. Mc-Keown in the case of Spears vs. St. John Pilot Commissioners.

Only two cases remain to be argued and it is thought that the court will adjourn.

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Dated this thy-first day of March, A. D. 1909.

ARTHUR W SHARP, Chairman. URIAH DR KETMOTHY 1. LANTALUM, HARTLEY C. VANWART, JOHN ROSS,

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