BAXTER'S YARN DENIED BY GEO. W. FOWLER AT THE DUGAL INQUIRY

Local M. P.P., in a Passion, Told a Story of Attempted Compromise, But it Wouldn't Go

Messrs. Gould and Guthrie to Make Trip to New York to Secure Missing Ledgers--- Query Thurs day Regarding Tuesday's Conference at Moncton Between Gutelius and Ross Thompson---Some Figures Which Looked Like Those of Mr. Brown.

Never was a man caught in his own net and exposed more quickly and ompletely than was J. B. M. Baxter, M. M. P. P., Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Baxter was given an opportunity to make a statement before the royal ommission which is inquiring into the Dugal charges, and attempted to take dvantage of his opportunity to make slanderous statements about F. B. Carvell, adding counsel for Mr. Dugal. His statements were denied absolutely and unquivocally by Mr. Carvell and this denial, supported in the strongest manner cossible by George W. Fowler, M. P., leit Mr. Baxter without a leg to stand

upon. He did not even attempt to question the denials.

When counsel announced that they were prepared to allow Mr. Baxter to make his statement there was a pause until the chairman inquired who was calling Mr. Baxter. Neither side made a move, but Mr. Teed murmured that Mr.

Mr. Baxter came forward, was sworn and took the stand. There was another pause. "Am I to examine myself?" asked Mr. Baxter. "Apparently," said the chairman. Then Mr. Teed relieved the embarrassment of the situation by volunteering in a perfunctory manner to undertake the task.

With a few questions from Mr. Teed Mr. Baxter proceeded to tell the story

of his business relations with the Valley railway in the capacity of solicitor. He told of accepting the \$500 check as a retainer or as advance payment for his services, and explained his action in returning it by saying that he did so voluntarily when he learned that the company was to seek additional aid of the legislature of which he was a member.

The effect of his statement was altered when, under cross-examination by Mr. Carvell, Mr. Baxter was forced to admit that it was after the appointment of a committe of the legislature to investigate the affairs of the company that the

Carvell asked Mr. Baxter if he was the author of the Foreshores bill. Mr. Baxter refused to answer, but after some further probing declared that he would tell what he knew about that bill if he were asked under the proper cir-

"You mean that if you are under oath in an inquiry relating to the matter, when you cannot escape answering, you will do so?" asked Mr. Carvell.

After further questioning Mr. Baxter denied that he had dictated the entire bill to Miss Kirk at Fredericton, but that was as far as he would go in his

White with rage at having been trapped into even a partial admission, Mr. Baxter then turned to the commissioners and made the wild charge that Mr. Carvell and his associates had made overtures with the purpose of calling off the

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