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THE CENTRAL RAILWAY IN PARLIAMENT.

a skilful practioner well able to do for himself what he up the \$5,000 "W. P." item. If it can refresh the has frequently done for clients in undesirable positions. Numerous transactions are contained in Central Railway in the transactions, it will serve a useful purpose. records and Mr. Pugsley can easily select complicated

Mr. Pugsley seems to have timed his suit to start
on the day that the matter was brought up at Ottawa. Mr. Pugsley's argument yesterday appear.

In these matters Mr. Pugsley has the advantage of a memory which may be better now than when the commemory which may be better now than when the commemory which may be better now than when the commemory asked him to explain.

Mr. Pugsley suggests that Mr. Hazen might have memory which may which Mr. Pugsley does not counter. If Mr. Hazen should sue Mr. Pugsley for counter. If Mr. Hazen should sue Mr. Pugsley for counter. If Mr. Pugsley might plead that he paid

other members were men of affairs whose report on any other business matter would be accepted by the public, and who would certainly not willingly wrong Mr. Pugsley or anyone else. They went over this case laboriously and patiently, hearing all Mr. Pugsley or anyone else. They went over this case laboriously and patiently, hearing all Mr. Pugsley or anyone else. case absortously and patiently, hearing an interest and others concerned had to say in explanation of their conduct. Their conclusions, so far as they affect many so far as they affect may be said as a substantial of their conduct. Their conclusions, so far as they affect tries to trace money he has a good deal of inside information. When he demands explanations from the close of his speech. What can be said against Mr. Crothers' contention that these conclusions stand as a judgment of a court until they are set aside by some other or better judicial authority? While they stand, Parliament and Government ought to take account of them others did with the money. the leader of the Government ought to do. until some appeal shall reverse them, the last and best conclusion available. Mr. Pugsley announces that he conclusion available. Mr. Pugsley announces that he is taking action to secure an accounting, and says that he has been waiting for the Provincial Government to ex-M. P. P., ex-Premier of British Columbia. The majorseven million people in Canada he was the one most who resigned to contest the constituency in favor of interested in having that judgment set aside, if he become breadnoughts. It is certain, however, that the

who resigned to contest the constituency in favor of member its certain, however, that the member elect is a Conservative and a staril reformed.

Mr. Pugsley is not the first or the hundredth period in the property in the court which convicted him is unfail and unworthy of respect. But occurred the interest of the collection of a Royal Commission of which and unworthy of respect. But occurred the interest of the collection of a Royal Commission of which and unworthy of respect. But occurred the converted the interest of the collection of a Royal Commission of which and the collection of the Royal Commission of which at the collection of the Royal Commission of which at the collection of the Royal Commission of which at the Royal hungling only and the was director, at once resigned his position, and the was director, at once resigned his position in the Government after making good all losses. Mr. Pugsley a snaper to this is that the English public man and and confidence and would have held on to be sifered in the Premier would allow it.

Mr. Pugsley has been in his place he would have held on to be sifered in the Premier would allow it.

Mr. Pugsley has been conspicuously successful, and most of the critical sine been conspicuously successful, and most of the critical sine been conspicuously successful, and most of the critical sine been conspicuously successful, and most of the critical sine sheet consideration. The change of breach of public trues the hands on possible true in the constituency of the Royal state of the commission. He has also been conspicuously successful, and most of the critical site of the commission of the commission that the hands are supported to the commission of the commission that the manager of the commissio

public trust stands as the commission left it. There is not yet even a pretence that Mr. Pugsley kept a proper record or account of his public transactions. Nothing offered by Mr. Pugsley weakens the finding of the commission that the managers of these Central Railway deals had a purpose in keeping no accounts and thus concealing their operations. Moreover Mr. Crocket shows that most of the objections which Mr. Pugsley takes to the findings of the commission are ill-founded.

It is only six little years since Sir Wilfrid Laurier made his famous "Time does not wait" speech, incorrectly pointing out that Canadian freight could not reach Canadian winter ports without passing through Mainer has voted down a motion requiring the Grand Trunk Pacific to use Canadian ports.

It is stated that the British admiralty is designing warships much laws warships much laws.

FROM THE CHIEF LIBERAL ORGAN.

them? They probably flatter themselves that they have wounded a political foe. Mr. Pugsley enjoys the most lucrative practice in the Maritime Provinces. He can undoubtedly return to it. So that the only sufferers will be his own province, which loses his services in the Dominion Cabinet, and the country which loses the full activities of a singularly well equipped public man."

Any one who supposes that this does not recommend resignation may turn to a later issue of the Globe in which that journal returns to the subject, and refers to the passage above. The Globe then says:—

"The presumption arrived at in these columns and elsewhere that he would relinquish his portfolio was, it must be admitted, exceedingly unpopular with his Liberal comrades in Ottawa. At the risk, however, of still further incurring this unpopularity it must be said that

further incurring this unpopularity it must be said that if the question is to remain a mere mooted party controversy, it would be better to have allowed Mr. Pugsley to follow his first impulse. The Liberal party is greater than any of its units. The decision of a Royal Comthan any of its units. The decision of a Royal Com-mission of which a judge is the chairman cannot be set aside by the statement that it is partisan. That judges are human and liable to err is, unhappily, oc-casionally made apparent, but the people generally will not accept that view unless there is proof to back it. It will be a bad day for Canada when such a view would be accepted without due proof."

A HAPPY THOUGHT.

Mr. Pugsley announced yesterday that he had him self instituted a suit in equity in the Supreme Court of New Brunswick for an accounting in the matter of t Pugsley to take care of the accounting when he should be serviceable. It may explain who 430 shares of stock, and what became of the \$134,000 We all know that the Minister of Public Works is that the commissioners could not trace. It may cle

affairs in regard to which a case on appear from the day that the interest are commission could at least be argued. This is the more possible where there are accounts, and no records such as Mr. Pugsley should have kept and produced. Mr. Pugsley's argument yesterday appears to have been directed to those details which the destruction or abditional to the day that the interest are appeared to the many for the day that the interest are able to the one that the matter was a straightful to the day that the interest are all the more possible where there are accounts, and no records such as Mr. Pugsley's such as the produced in the day that the interest are accounts and no records such as Mr. Pugsley's hall have passed, the suit will not be allowed to lapse like so thany of Mr. Pugsley's emergency shall have passed, the suit will not be allowed to lapse like so thany of Mr. Pugsley's emergency shall have passed, the suit will not be allowed to lapse like so thany of Mr. Pugsley's emergency shall have passed, the suit will not be allowed to lapse like so thany of Mr. Pugsley's emergency activities, because the people of Canada, and especially the people of Canada, and especially the people of New Brunswick earnestly desire to know who got

Mr. Pugsley suggests that Mr. Hazen might hav But all this does not affect the main question which Mr. Crothers brought before Parliament with overwhelming force. There is a solemn and considered judgment of a competent court, which was appointed to pass upon this matter. The chairman of this tribunal was a judge of the Supreme Court, who has an absolutely impregnable reputation for fairness and integrity. The were given to persons unknown were probably non-astronomy and the propers were more of a ffairs whose report on Mr. Pugsley has a better chance. When he asks the

THE STRATFORD ELECTION.

act. But surely it was not the duty of Mr. Pugsley. ity of the Conservative over Mr. Martin is 2,627, which when that terrible presentiment was made against him by is 120 less than Mr. Martin's total vote. Despatches a Royal Commission, to wait for anybody. Of the

After Mr. Pugsley has done his best in speech and trylew the uncontradicted and undisputed findings the commission absolutely justify the conclusion ressed in Mr. Crothers' resolution.

"I will never be sstissied," said Sir Wilfrid one day, 'until every pound of Canadian exports is shipped through Canadian ports." This week he refused to be satisfied until a railway paid for by the Dominion was permitted to ship its western freight through Portland.

Mr. Pugsley says he waited for the Provincial Government to act before he himself entered suit for a Central Railway accounting. Would it not be more correct for Mr. Pugsley to say that he waited until Sir Wilfrid Laurier told him it was necessary to take some step to vindicate his character?

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DR. DANIEL IS **ASKING RE-**

Ottawa, May 5—Dr. Daniel is aski what reason exists for the investit tion now being carried on by John Calder, inspector of fisheries for D trict No. 1, New Brunswick, into townership were filed before the maquoddy Bay. He asked if the mister is aware that declarations ownership were filled before the vestigation began, why the invegation was confined to certain partilar weirs, whether the action tak was based on complaint or inform

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MONCTON PEOPLE ARE **CURIOUS**

Special to The Standard.

Moncton N. B., May 5.—The pointment of Mayor Willett as she of the county of Westmorland I raised a nice question in citve circl it was thought that the appointment would not affect the Mayor's off and that he would sit out the balas of his term. City Solicitor Chand has, however, advised the Final Committee that in his opinion Mr. Viett's appointment as sheriff vaca his office as mayor and that a relection will be necessary.

The City Solicitor does not appear to have given authority on this opinion and lawyers differ. It is likely that the opinion of the Attorney Genwill be asked for.

The Fundy Pinger and that a new control of the Attorney Genwill be asked for.

The Fundy Bill.

The bill before the senate for the incorporation of the Fundy Tidal Co. is also agitating civic circles. The city sewer system empties into the river and the proposed dam would make it necessary to provide new outlets; would in fact seriously interfere with the entire system.

The Central Methodist congregation is moving in the direction of installing a new pipe organ to have two more stops than that recently erected in the First Baptist Church. The cost will be about \$5,000 and ways and means are now being devised. The ladies of the congregation have under taken to raise \$1000 of this amount. Rev. Frank Baird, of Sussex, is taddress the Moncton Canadian Cluluckt week. The subject he has select

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