ST. JOHN, N. B., MARCH 24, 1915.

GROSSLY UNFAIR

The Standard this morning makes a grossly unfair attack upon Mr. Carvell in connection with the bill for expenses for the Down leading of the Down lea in connection with the bill for expenses for the Dugal inquiry. The reader of the article would be led to believe that Mr. Carvell, Mr. Stevens and Mr. Hughes, counsel for Mr. Dugal, were endeavoring to enrich themselves at the expense of the public. The truth of the matter is that the counsel for Mr. Dugal did not submit any bulk.

Carvell with the matter of the place, "is a gift for you and Jim. Each bottle is finest old Scotch whisky. You drop in at Jim's on your way and give him this, will you?"

"Certainly," repluied the grateful one. On his way he fell and broke one bottle. "Poor Jim!" he murmured, picking himself up."

The Standard has not the s expense of the public. The truth of the matter is that the counsel for Mr. Dugal did not submit any bills until they had learned that bills had been submitted by Messrs. Teed and Fowler, and certainly the counsel for Mr. Dugal had as much the counsel for Mr. D Messrs. Teed and Fowler, and certainly the counsel for Mr. Dugal had as much right to submit bills as those gentlemen. The Standard would apparently have Mr. Carvell, Mr. Stevens and Mr. Hughes pay all their hotel and traveling and other expenses in connection with an investigation which was certainly in the public interest, and which the report of the Royal Commission showed to be of the highest value to this province. What would be the condition of affairs in New Brunswick to day if Mr. Flemming were still in the saddle, and there had been no Dugal in quiry, no Valley Railway inquiry? Party politics in New Brunswick has surely reached a pitiable condition if me who act in the public interest and serve the welfare of the public miterst and serve the welfare

and Fowler? Who paid those bills? A NOTABLE CONVERT

There is perhaps no more effective answer to criticisms of the commission

There is perhaps no more effective answer to criticisms of the commission plan of government than is found in the leading editorial in this morning's Standard. Dealing with the matter of the civic grants the Standard says:

"While there may be much disappointment that the commissioners yesterday did not decide to restore the grants to worthy organizations which, in the past, have been receiving public support, it must not be forgotten that the reduction in the civic assessment, which gave the commissioners the excuse to eliminate the grants, was made at the request the commisioners the excuse to eliminate the grants, was made at the request of the citizens themselves and followed considerable agitation in the newspapers. Whether other means could have been found to bring the estimates down to the point where they met the approval of the citizens is a matter for the commissioners. It cannot, in fairness, be forgotten that the people asked for the reduction and the method of bringing it about appeared to be satisfactory at the time. If the desire now is that the grants should be restored to societies and organizations in need of them it should not be more difficult to impress that upon the commissioners than was the case when the lower estimates were asked for. After all, the people are in control and can have what they desire. The Standard effectually disposes of statements made by irresponsible persons to the effect that under the commission plan of government the people are not in control and cannot have what they desire.

TMR SAGF IFA IN

LUMBER HAS COMPETITORS

We have heard so much in recent years about the rapid depletion of the forests of the United States, and of the great need of forest conservation, that it seems rather odd to read of an organisation formed to promote the use of wood, and to be told that this is of wood, and to be told that this is necessary in the interests of the lumber industry of the republic. Such an organization has just been formed in Chicago. The chief reason for its formation is the large extent to which other materials are taking the place of lumber for building purposes. The American Lumberman, discussing the subject, says that the industry is suffering because neither the manufacturers nor distributors have carried on a campaign of education to teach the consumers how, when and where wood may best be used, nor have they aggressively met competition; but "have allowed out on its own ground." Their competitors are not only aggressive, but are constantly improving their materials to serve the consumers' need more fully. The plan of the new organization, which will be representative of all branches of the lumber industry and trade, embraces the creation of a central bureau with strong financial backing, to compile of the lumber industry and trade, em-braces the creation of a central bureau with strong financial backing, to compile full and reliable information and dis-seminate the same, and to fight the battle of the lumbermen in keeping wood in the foremost place as a building material. It is proposed to have a manager, a statistician, a construction manager, a statistician, a construction engineer, a publicity expert, and perhaps also two or three consulting engineers. It is proposed to raise \$200,000 per year for five years to finance the scheme, under the direction of the Na-tional Lumber Manufacturers' Associa-

Now if Mr. W. H. Berry will tell all

LIGHTER VEIN

Teacher-"If a batted ball travels 2841/2 feet in a second, how far will it go in 8 1-8 seconds?" Boy—"It depends on the outfield,

Johnny—Say, paw, I can't get these rithmetic 'samples. Teacher said some-thin' bout we'd have to find the greatest common divisor. Pa (in disgust)—Great Scott! haven't they found that thing yet? Why, they were hunting for it when I was a boy.

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