ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1916.

Telegraph declared to be "500'is3 of deliberately misleading." The same old faces were seen in control of the gathering; Mr. Carvell, of Dark Lantern Brisade Fame, Mr. Alphabet Copp, who figured in the Central Railway Company's accounts? Mr. Peter J. Venlot, of Gloucester; Mr. Abolish The Bag Foster, and last but not least, Mr. Man Friday Carter, were all in the limelight. Mr. Dugal, of Madawaska, was also present but although he led the "opposition" for the past three years, was relegated to a position of minor importance.

Secondly.—The party faces the necessity of securing a new leader, Hon C. W. Robinson having plainly requested that he be permitted to retire. As previously stated Mr. Robinson went down to defeat.

Hey managed to do was to hold to gether in voting against the Government and its every action. No matter how much benefit might be expected to come to the province from the enactment of the measures introduced, the pleayune policy of party politics kept the opposition members from extending support, and they were even unable to supply useful criticism.

Thus it was that in the elections of 1912 the people of New Brunswick showed how absolutely they had lost confidence in the Legislature, and in the contest in that year every man who had been a follower of Mr. Robinson went down to defeat.

Striking sermon by Otta-

tire. As previously stated Mr. Robinson is a kindly gentleman who in private life would hardly care to associate with some of his political "bed fellows." As the titular head of a clan such as that gathered last evening he is in a decidedly distasteful position. Mr. Robinson himself recosnizes that fact, hence his desire to retire.

After that landslide an attempt was made to pull the party together. A convention was held in Fredericton, Hon. C. W. Robinson selected as leader and a platform adopted. Then, Mr. Robinson dropped out of sight, his platform was lost and the work of opposition maintenance devolved upon Mr. P. J. Venict, Mr. E. S. Carter and P. J. Venict, Mr. P. J. Veni tire. As previously stated Mr. Robin-

position. Mr. Robinson himself recognizes that fact, hence his desire to retire.

The selection of his successor may prove a rock on which the party will split. Some of the delegates think Mr. Carvell a wise choice, but Mr. Carvell himself sees little prospect of success in the undertaking, and does not view the idea with particular favor. Others incline to Mr. Foster, of St. John, and in the number of the latter gentleman's supporters is Mr. Foster himself, who is young and ambitious, and who has long thought he would adorn the position of leader of His Majesty's Loyal Opposition.

But in spite of Mr. Foster's ambitions, and the belief of the machine that Mr. Carvell would be preferable, a very farge proportion of the delegates felt, that Mr. Robinson should be given snother chance; that his per sonal popularity might be an advantage to a party sadly in need of all such assistance that can be secured. Consequently, a committee was named to endeaver to get him to recognize the retired of the province have been well such assistance that can be secured. Consequently, a committee was named to endeaver to get him to recognize the consequently, a committee was named to endeaver to get him to recognize the constant of the province have been well such assistance that can be secured. Consequently, a committee was named to endeaver to get him to recognize the can be no great harm in the workinght.

Consequently, a committee was named to endeavor to get him to reconsider his desire to withdraw; that committee will probably report today and no matter what the result of its labors the fact that there is much diversity of opinion cannot add to the strength of the party.

| Cared for; that there is honest and efficient rule in Fredericton, and that will be necessary for that society to purify its rank by wholesale expulsions, or to drop the word Knight from its title.

"Sir Knights, if the call of arms and developing the resources of New Brunswick are safer in the hands of Premier Clarke and his associates than if entrusted to an aggregation of political freaks."

Now The Time.

In the third place the party finds such as those of whose company Hon. itself in a difficulty regarding the question of prohibition. A delegation from the Dominion Alliance met the Government for living the party finds such as those of whose company Hon. C. W. Robinson has already tired. the Dominion Alliance met the Government a few weeks ago in Fredericton and asked that measures be taken to introduce a prohibitory bill. The Government considered the matter and decided to grant the request. This being the case the opposition at once busied themselves in bidding for the busied themselves in bidding for the temperature party and or to the temperance party and on is playing in the great struggle world invitation was extended to the while it is recognized that the under the sident of the Adiance to send a taking is a large one for a youn

while it is recognized that the underpresentative to the convention.

After last evening's meeting the Press Committee" of the Convention turnished the newspapers with a report in which it was intimated that today's meeting with the temperance people was at the request of the latter body. That is not correct; the temperance people are absolutely satisfied with the treatment received from the Government and are inclined to view the opposition activities as having a distinctly political favor. Any action now taken by the opposition will be simply due to a desire to clutch at any plank to keep them affoat.

It is not regarded as probable that the convention which opened last vening will prove of any tangible benefit to the opposition party. That party has steadily weakened since 1908, when Hon, J. D. Hazen's Gov-

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THE OPPOSITION CONVENTION.

If one is to judge from the happenings at the opening session of the convention of the provincial opposition party the work of "reform" to which their advance agent has pledged thom must commence in their own anks.

First, the personnel of the convention is not such as to inspire contidence that the party has subceeded in purgins itself of the cleanent which, when in power, stood for the Central Railway Steal, the Suspense Account game and that juggilar in provincial bookkeeping which the Telegraph declared to be "foo'isa of deliberately misleading." The same old faces were seen in control of the gathering; Mr. Carvell, of Dark Lathers and the province from the might be expected spathers for the gathering; Mr. Carvell, of Dark Lathers and the province from the same and the province given its first taste of homest and aggressive administration. After that election the opposition members in the Local House numbered thirteen and superstitious persons who attach an uncanny significance to that number, may say in all truth that the party has subceeded in purgins itself of the cleanent which, when in power, stood for the Central Railway Steal, the Suspense Account game and that juggilar in the province given the struck by the baker's dozen sit ting to the left of Mr. Speaker. All they managed to do was to hold to gether in voting against the Government and tits every action. No matter how mugh benefit might be expected to come the manufacture of the country sand and the same and the same and the same and the same and the larger in the form that the province given that the province of the country sand and confront the maintenance of such a force will cost the country solonomous the time that the maintenance of such a force will cost the country solonomous the

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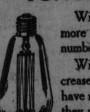


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