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CENTRAL RAILWAY INQUIRY.

Mr. Hazen appears to have forgotten all about the Central Railway enquiry which was projected in the first instance to destroy Dr. Pugsley, and make Mr. Hazen his successor in the federal government.

During the summer, Mr. Hazen through his inquisitors and his \$50 a day counsel dived deep into Central Railway affairs hoping to find material to reflect on Dr. Pugsley but without avail and they did not even give the minister of Public Works an opportunity to take the witness stand.

Mr. Hazen discovered early in the game that the fishing expedition did not pay, but it was dragged along with the hope of discovering something that might reflect on Dr. Pugsley and other Liberals and cut some sort of figure in the federal elections.

The fact that Mr. Hazen and those wonderful colleagues of his failed to discuss Central Railway matters during the recent contest was pretty good evidence that the fishing expedition had absolutely failed, and this has suggested to Mr. Carvell M.P., a few observations which he made at the nomination of Mr. Upham at Woodstock last week.

"Our friends, the enemy," said Mr. Carvell, "have been keeping quiet lately concerning the Central Railway. You remember what terrible stories they used to tell concerning it, but they have learned something. They started to investigate the railway, and after employing a costly commission and a high priced Tory lawyer all summer, at \$50 a day, the expected scandals have not been found. Why? Because they never existed. I know what I am talking about. I am one of the counsel before that commission, and I tell you everything has been satisfactorily explained under oath. But the Hazen government, thanking they might be able to get some evidence of scandal to use against the Liberal party, had no scruples about using ten or fifteen thousand dollars of your money in the attempt. That's the kind of men we have running affairs today at Fredericton. They have been mighty long on promises, but rather poor in fulfillment."

A TORY SUBTLEFUGE.

After several days absolute silence on the Northumberland Tory press the local graft organ scraped up sufficient courage on Saturday to tackle the subject and announces Mr. Burchill as an independent supporter of the local government.

Wonderful, wonderful, wonderful—a Liberal nominated at a convention called by the opponents of the government is ready to fall on the bosom of Mr. Hazen.

The local graft organ adds that Mr. Burchill is acceptable to Mr. Hazen and Mr. Morrissey, while the Moncton Times, the leading Tory organ of the province declares unequivocally for Mr. Swin.

The organs should hold a consultation and reconcile their differences. Tory newspapers are scarce enough in New Brunswick and Mr. Hazen should see that they unite on the same man.

Mr. Burchill is a Liberal who no doubt would dismiss the Hazen government tomorrow if he had the opportunity and Mr. Swin his opponent was nominated at a Tory convention and announces himself as the Hazen candidate, and the parties in Northumberland will divide on similar lines.

The overwhelming defeat of Mr. Swin is assured and the local graft organ is preparing its readers for that event by misrepresenting the attitude of Mr. Burchill.

THE CARLETON CONTEST.

The Liberals of Carleton are going into the local bye-election with great vigor and anticipate a substantial victory at the polls. In Mr. Upham they have a strong

and popular candidate and with the unpopularity of the local government to aid them, there should be no doubt of the result.

In March last Mr. Fleming and his colleagues had some 500 majority, but there has been a great change in public sentiment in Carleton and throughout the province since that time.

Mr. Hazen has shown himself as the greatest pledge breaker of modern times, he has used his position to punish Liberals who put him in power, and has exploited his government to serve his own personal ambition. The Liberals realize how badly they have been fooled by Mr. Hazen and Carleton and Northumberland will on December 2nd record the first practical protest against the local government which has already exhibited its unfitness to have charge of public affairs.

The campaign will be short but the Liberals are throwing into Carleton a large number of attractive stumpers who will show to the electors that it is not in the interest of this province to permit Mr. Hazen to pursue his present course without protest.

Meetings have been arranged at all the principal centres of Carleton and the speakers will include:

Hon. C. W. Robinson, Hon. H. A. McKeown, Hon. F. J. Sweeney, A. B. Copp, M.P.P., J. F. Tweeddale, M.P.P., E. H. McAlune, John A. Barry, Charles McDonald, George F. Burden, Nelson W. Brown, W. B. Farris, Wardeq F. B. Shaw, Hon. W. P. Jones, F. B. Carvell, M. P. and others.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The election of Mr. Barnard, the Conservative who defeated Hon. Mr. Templeman in Victoria, B. C. by a few votes, is to be protested.

A recount has been ordered in the election of Mr. Lake the only Tory candidate returned in the whole province of Saskatchewan. Mr. Lake's majority was only thirty-five.

Mr. Hugh Armstrong who represents Portage la Prairie in the Manitoba legislature succeeds the late Hon. J. H. Agnew as provincial treasurer in the Roblin government.

Will Mr. Peter Clinch be home with his Kentucky race horses in time for Mr. Owens in Carleton and Mr. Swin in Northumberland to ride into obscurity after suffering defeat in the local bye elections?

With the announcement that Dr. Pugsley was leaving Ottawa for St. John Mr. Hazen packed his grip and left St. John for Ottawa. The local premier has not cared to meet the Minister of Public Works face to face since Mr. Hazen read the Mayes affidavit at a political meeting.

Some of our Tory friends are so facing themselves with the idea that Hon. J. P. Burchill is an Independent. Well perhaps so, but how long do you think Mr. Hazen's government would last in the legislature if he was dependent upon Mr. Burchill's vote to keep him in power.

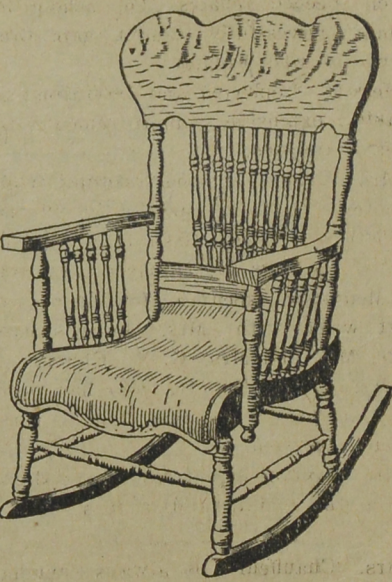
Sir Wilfrid Laurier after celebrating his 67th birthday at Ottawa on Friday left with Lady Laurier for a short holiday trip to Florida. The Premier deserves a good rest after his recent campaign efforts and all Canadians will wish him and his amiable lady a pleasant visit and a safe return.

The law provides that the local government shall publish in the Royal Gazette before Dec. 31st in each year a statement of provincial finances for the year ending October 31st. Mr. Fleming has not yet attended to that duty although he has the statement in his possession, and is apparently withholding it until after the bye elections.

Rev. Dr. Lang the new Archbishop of York is of Scottish Presbyterian stock his father being Principal J. Marshall Lang of Aberdeen University who was successor to Norman MacLeod in the Baughny Church, Glasgow and successor to the late Principal Caven in the Presidency of the Alliance of Presbyterian and Reformed churches of the World. The new Archbishop is a nephew of the late Rev. Gavin Lang, who was for years minister of the church of Scotland in Montreal.

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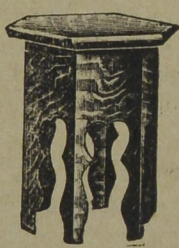
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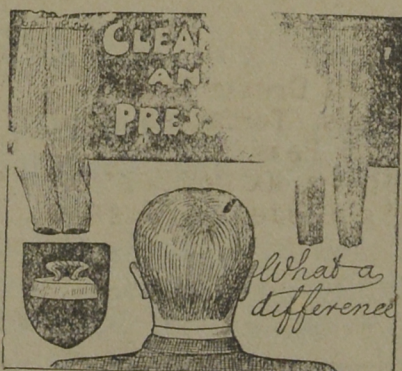
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