# DR. PUGSLEY VINDICATED; HIS ACCUSERS DISCREDITED

(Toronto Globe, May 6)

**The outstanding feature of yesterday's debate in parliament was Hon. Dr. Pugsley's demonstration that there never was a serious public document issued in the history of the dominion containing so many and so flagrant errors as the report of the commission which investigated the affairs of the New Brunswick Central Railway.**

The document had already been discredited by the discovery that sums which should have been stated as $43,000 and $50,000 appear in the report as $430,000 and $500,000 respectively. With his intimate knowledge of administration in New Brunswick, Dr. Pugsley was able to show that these were only sample misrepresentations in a perfect tissue of erroneous statements, which would require a great deal of charity to believe them to be anything else than willful falsehoods.

The painful part of it is that a judge of the superior court of New Brunswick should have set his hand and given his sanction to such a document.

**The opposition started out under the assumption that Dr. Pugsley was in the prisoner's dock; before the debate had gone far it was Judge Landry who was in that position.**

Mr. T. W. Crothers, who led the attack for the opposition, took his stand on the report as the judicial deliverance of a court, and it must be admitted that it was in that character that it created any impression on the country. He dwelt with unction on the solemnity of the character of the commission, which he represented as having all the powers, authority, and dignity of a court.

Dr. Pugsley was able to puncture this pretension, in the first place by furnishing instances of the extraordinary recklessness of statement and inference that marked almost every page of the commission's deliverance, but still more by drawing attention to a piece of conduct of which its members were guilty during the course of the inquiry. In the midst of the Dominion general elections the commissioners summoned an accountant from Montreal, and, twelve days before polling day, procured the publication in the press of a statement that there was a discrepancy between the receipts and disbursements on the railway of $160,000. This body, upon whose solemnity, judiciality, and impartiality Mr. Crothers dwelt with such gravity, was evidently a partizan in the election fight for all its worth, and made this interim misstatement without having called Dr. Pugsley to testify on his own behalf.

**This gross piece of partizanship was but a specimen of the political bias with which Dr. Pugsley proved the report to be saturated.**

**It will be seen in the resume of his powerful defence, appearing elsewhere, that the minister of public works accumulated a mass of proof against the good faith of this report that stamps it as one of the most disgraceful documents to which a Canadian judge ever attached his name.**

Dr. Pugsley made the statement from his place in the house that this gentleman who masquerades as a judge is found at every election coquetting with the political parties for a nomination in one or other of the New Brunswick constituencies.

This was the member of the judiciary whose services the government of New Brunswick called into requisition to lead in an attack on the Lieutentant Governor of the province and on Dr. Pugsley, its most distinguished public man.

Why was a judge of Mr. Landry's stamp chosen for a task where character and freedom from partizanship were so much to be desired?

**There can be no avoiding the conclusion that Dr. Pugsley's political enemies chose a commission which could be trusted to go to any length in endeavoring to blast the character of a political opponent.**

The last has not been heard of the disgraceful affair. Dr. Pugsley has demonstrated most triumphantly that they picked out the wrong man as the object of their venom. The shaft aimed at him has recoiled on those who sped it. Instead of injuring Dr. Pugsley, this commission's report has vitally damaged the reputation of Judge Landry, and to that extent it reflects on the judiciary of the province.

**The judiciary in this country has always stood high. The interests involved are too serious, too fundamental to a nation's well being to allow prejudice and partizanship in a judge to cast discredit on the judiciary of Canada.**

## A PRESENTATION

### W. E. A. Lawton Gets Gold Ring and Address From Exmouth St. Y. M. A.

At a regular meeting of the Exmouth street Y. M. A. held last evening in their rooms, the resignation of W. E. A. Lawton, who has been treasurer of the association for some time, was regretfully accepted and W. A. Adams was elected in his place. The meeting then adjourned to the parlor of the church, where a short informal programme was carried out.

In the course of the hour the president of the association, Robert F. Goodrich, on behalf of those present, presented to Mr. Lawton an initialed gold ring accompanied by an address in token of appreciation of his services.

Mr. Lawton made a brief reply. Addresses were also given by a number of those present and refreshments were served by the young ladies of the church.

Mr. Lawton will leave in a few days for Campbellton, where he will enter the employ of a lumber concern.

## PATROLMAN SUSPENDED

Policeman Steeves is not on duty as he was given four days suspension by Chief Clark yesterday.

When matters of this kind arise at police headquarters, Chief Clark declines to discuss them, but it is learned that the reason for Steeves' temporary change to civilian garb is because of an incident of Wednesday evening, in connection with his reporting for duty at headquarters.

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# HANGED BY CHIN UNTIL HE DIED

### Four Year Old St. Mary's Boy Meets a Tragic Death While at Play—Other News of Fredericton

Fredericton, N. B., May 6—Victor, the four-year-old son of Samuel Cameron, an employe of the John Palmer Company, met a tragic death at his home at St. Marys this afternoon. He was playing in a yard with another boy named Matthews, and two of them started to climb through a hole inside of the woodshed. Matthews got through all right, but the Cameron youth slipped and fell and was caught by the chin on a board at the bottom of the hole and was suspended in this position with his feet about six feet from the ground.

His companion, being unable to release him, ran into the house and told his mother what had occurred. She hastened to the spot and made the startling discovery that the boy was dead. Dr. Mullin was at once called and on examining the boy's body expressed the opinion that his death had been caused by shock produced by the fall. The child's parents are prostrated with grief over the sad occurrence and great sympathy is felt for them in this community.

Albert Everett, who has conducted Windsor Hall for the past twelve years intends retiring from the hotel business. The Windsor has been leased by J. H. Weaver, of Plaster Rock, who will take possession the first of next week. Mr. Weaver for the past ten years has carried on a hotel business at Plaster Rock.

A district court martial, composed of Lieut. Col. J. Hunter Ogilvie, president, and Messrs. Copp, McPeake and Osborne, members, assembled at the barracks today to try three soldiers, Woods, Otty and Smith, on a charge of attempted desertion and insubordination. A number of witnesses were examined, after which the case was postponed until tomorrow. The charge is a serious one and the accused, if found guilty, will likely be given a long term of imprisonment, followed by dismissal from the service. The finding of the court must be approved by Col. Drury before being made public.

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DR. CHASE'S OINTMENT.

## BIG FIRE IN BARNET

### $350,000 Damage Done by a Big Blaze Near Vancouver, B. C.

Vancouver, B. C., May 6—Three hundred and fifty thousand dollars damage was done by fire early this morning, which wiped out the main buildings and saw mill of the Northern Pacific Lumber Company at Barnet, twelve miles up Durrard Inlet from Vancouver. Fire engines were sent from the city over the Canadian Pacific but could save little but the dry kilns and lumber stock. The mill was owned by the McLarens, of Ottawa.

# THE RIVER COMMISSION

### American Members Left for Their Homes Yesterday—Commissioners Will Take Broad View

The United States members of the joint commission which is to inquire into matters in dispute on the St. John river, left for their homes last evening. Hon. Mr. McKeown, speaking of the conference held yesterday, said it was the unanimous opinion of all that the most liberal interpretation should be given to the reading of the commission.

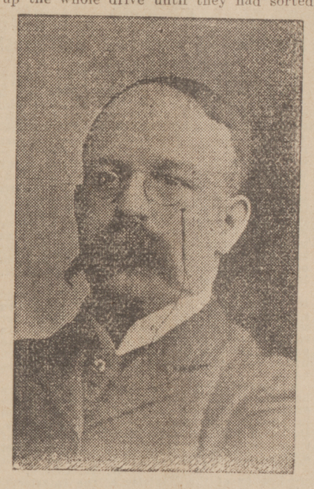


A. P. Barnhill.



Hon. W. P. Jones.

They would probably deem it broad enough to take into consideration as to whether or not the works of the St. John Lumber Company at Van Buren (Me.) were in themselves an obstruction under the treaty and in this connection Mr. McKeown said that the logs for the New Brunswick mills were delayed at this point. The American company handle about 30,000,000 feet themselves, but hold up the whole drive until they had sorted out this amount. In this way from 75,000,000 to 100,000,000 feet destined for the New Brunswick mills farther down the river were delayed. There was no doubt about the delay, but it might be that some improvement in the sorting facilities might be made to minimise the difficulty.



John Keeffe.



Hon. H. A. McKeown.

Last year, Mr. McKeown said, the American company kept about 10,000 pieces which should have come to the New Brunswick mills. These were sawn at Van Buren and the owners were paid for them later. It was now probable that the commission would consider the question whether, if this sorting was to be allowed, the whole expense should not be borne by the American company and whether or not they should employ officials to see that a proper division of the logs was made.

The commission, Hon. Mr. McKeown said, would probably be asked to consider the effect of the diversion of the waters of Chamberlain Lake at the St. John headwaters, into the Allegash river in Maine.

They would probably also he said, inquire whether, by formation of reservoirs or very large dams at the head of the river, for storage purposes, a sufficient volume of water could not be made available at all times.

## DOUBLE DROWNING AT SALMON RIVER

### James Proctor and Melbourne Peters Swept to Death Last Night While Stream Driving

Sussex, N. B., May 6—James Proctor and Melbourne Peters, two well known young men of Shepody road, were drowned this evening between 4 and 5 o'clock while stream driving on the Big Salmon River.

The accident took place at the mouth of the Northwest branch of Big Salmon River, and about three miles from the Bay Shore Lumber Company's mills.

On this river there are several large dams built for the purpose of assisting in stream driving at times of low water. This afternoon the gates of one or more of the dams were raised and it is thought that the great rush of water at the mouth of this branch is probably what caused the accident.

The drive was in charge of John Haslem, of this place.

At this hour it is difficult to get a detailed account of the accident.

Peters was 25 years of age, and a son of Richard Peters, of Shepody Road. His parents and two sisters survive.

Proctor, who was 35 years of age, is a son of the late Thomas Proctor. His parents are both dead. Two brothers, Beverly and Thomas, and one sister, Mrs. Frank Bardon, of this place survive. Proctor made his home part of the time in Sussex and part in Markhamville. Both men were unmarried. Up to 10 o'clock tonight the bodies of the unfortunate men have not been found.

## HAIL STONES LARGE AS PIGEON'S EGGS

### Terrific Electrical Storm Which Lasted Two Hours Accompanied it.

Chatham, Ont., May 6—(Special)—Hail as large as pigeon's eggs accompanied a great storm that swept over this city today. The thunder and lightning never ceased for two hours. A bolt knocked a big hole in the tower of the Carnegie library. Three barns were burned in the vicinity.

## LOBSTER FISHER'S STRIKE

Sydney, N. S., May 8—As a result of a difference regarding the price of lobsters the lobster fishermen are on strike at Gabarus (C. B.) They decline to accept the packers' prices and positively refuse to set traps unless their demands are conceded. The price asked by the men is $3.25 per hundred. The packers are not inclined to pay more than $2.35. The fishermen are determined and it is said that the packers will have to grant their prices or close their factories.

A girl never likes to admit she was kissed unless she wasn't.

## NEWFOUNDLAND'S NEW ELECTION TOMORROW

### Governor McGregor's Action in Dissolving the House is Upheld By the Home Government.

St. John's, Nfld., May 6—Governor MacGregor today received a despatch from Earl Crewe, secretary of state for the colonies in the British cabinet, endorsing the stand taken by the chief executive of the colony during the recent political crisis. During the present campaign, which closes tomorrow night, members of Sir Robert Bond's party have criticized Governor MacGregor for acceding to the request of Sir Edward Morris, the premier, that the legislature be dissolved and a general election ordered. A number of Bond speakers at political meetings had severely censured the governor.

Governor MacGregor did not dissolve the legislature until he found that there was no possibility of the deadlock in the house being broken.

Polling will occur on Saturday, but the result will not be known until next week because of the remoteness of many districts from St. John's where all the ballots are counted.

## TO ARREST EVELYN THAW FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT

New York, May 6—An order directing the sheriff to arrest Evelyn Nesbit Thaw for contempt of court for failing to pay a fine of $250 imposed last week, was signed in the city court late today after the appellate division had refused to stay the proceedings. The order will be endorsed as soon as the sheriff's office opens tomorrow and an officer will at once be sent to escort Mrs. Thaw to the Ludlow street jail. The order directs that she shall be kept in close confinement until the settlement of her account.

The fine was imposed upon Mrs. Thaw for her failure to appear in supplementary proceedings on a judgment of $253 obtained against her by Elsie Hartwig, a milliner.

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### Mapleback-Watts

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