MONDAY, MAY 17, 1897. TOLL ROADS.

The demands from Kootenay for ne roads would, if complied with, invo ive an outlay of \$80,000, and the seaso a for road making there can hardly be said to have begun. Kootenay is only one of many localities which want 1 oads, and it would be a very difficult my atter for the government, if it had the 'noney to expend, to know where to begin. Moreover, as we pointed or cin a former re ference to this matter, it is not possible for anyone to say what proposed roads can properly be mounded as works for general public advantage, and what can only be considered as for the benefit of a few individuals. \ Manifestly the former should have the preference, when it comes to expending public money; but it is equally clear that a road to group of mines or to a townsite may be both necessary and valuable, although the first effect of its construction might be to enhance the value of some particular private property or facilitate the carrying out of some private enterprise There is upon the statute book a law authorizing toll roads, and just as we are all agreed as to the wisdom of permitting the establishment of toll ferries until the necessities of the case warrant the erection of free bridges, so the toll road in many cases may be very properly allowed to precede the public highway.

We think that if the government shall see its way clear to act upon the statute referred to, and sanction the making of toll reads under proper restrictions as to charges and reasonable conditions on which they may be taken over by the Province if experience shall political success upon what they beshow them to be for the general public advantage it would be a good thing for the mining sections. We have been Manitoba, but it was supposed that it was Quebec's battle. Well, Quebec, told by several persons who are interested in mines situated at some distance from public highways, that they would be glad to avail themselves of the privilege of making roads to them, if they had the right to exact a reasonable charge from others who used the roads. We have been told of numerous cases where the owners of promising mines have declared their readiness to pay reasonable tolls if anyone could be induced to make roads to them. There is a feeling of opposition to the principle of toll roads, but it is not so long ago that Ontario had them by the score. In fact they have in most countries been the stepping stones to a great system of public highways, and we can see no good reason why British Columbia should not adopt the plan. It is nearly, if not quite, two months since the Coronist suggested that the making of toll roads might with advantage be authorized. and we have yet to hear the first objection. We think it may be taken for granted that the people of the Province would sustain its government in authorlocations, subject to supervision as to been conspicuously honest and reasoncharges and with the right to assume ably efficient. The lesson will not be ession of them on fair conditions.

The statement that business depresgreat consideration, and it is just as well to examine a little into the several causes which have led up to it. We think the principal cause will be found to be that the speculative feature of the constant Trail Creek mining is largely at an end, said that these elections signify that the mate dusiness dasis. In one meantime if is "between hay and grass" for in Canada, which "lag superfluous on of the members of the provincial govern-Rossland business men. The days of the stage." It will be a good thing for ment become interested in that project who reached the fown, was a potential millionaire in his mind, have passed. No one now thinks he can go to Rosesting and if the Conserval and sa wakening and if the Conserval and strike a good job of work before he gets from the train to his hotel, and go out the following Sunday and discover a fore the people with new watchwords, it must come be soft the following Sunday and discover a fore the people with new watchwords, it must come be the whole thing. Indianapolis Journal. The was the whole thing. Indianapolis Journal. The work of the section more certain, there is less excitement. The men with a few hundreds or a few thousand or of the people's money are less in evidence than they were. They have either spent what they had and have not had time to realize upon their investments or these harms. The first section were work and have not had time to realize upon their investments or these harms. feverish excitement when every man the country when they are consigned to the Colonist will print the fact. have not had time to realize upon their investments, or they have gone to local-

veloped properties are holding them at too high figures. "Quick sales and small profits" would be as good a rule in mining speculations as in anything else. If the discoverers or purchasers of promising properties would lay to mind the old adage that "there are as good but the old adage that "there are as good but the old adage that "there are as good but everyone ought to be desirous of seeis it that on Tuesday you took one side of this important question and the very next day assumed an exactly opposite side?"

"My dear sir," explained the editor-inchief; "you forget that this paper always accurately reflects the views of the people."
—Philadelphia North American.

would do more business and in the long up the whole question of quarantine, to run make more money. It is infinitely see if needless obstacles are not being be ter for all concerned that mining placed in the way of commerce. On this properties should be in the hands of point there ought to be complete accord reperties should be in the hands of point there ought to be complete accord in the immediate future of the West.

The C.P.R. evidently has great faith in the immediate future of the West.

This is demonstrated by the fact that rather than that they should be held by and we enter our protest against the extensive additions are being made to those who cannot afford to do so in the matter being allowed to appear as though their locomotive stock, chiefly for the hope that a fortune may be made out of it were the outcome of a local squabble trade of the West. They are about to hope that a fortune may be made out of it were the outcome of a local squabble one year's operations. What British over a paltry office. Columbia needs is more developed nines. An increase in the dividend paying properties will add to the value the whole Northwest, including British

at, and the comments of the newspapers

published on the scene are too much

tinged with partizanship to be very

will strike people first of all is that the

Conservative overthrow came close upon

the heels of an agitation against the

Liberals, with which the French people

were supposed to be in the closest sym-

pathy. In many parts of the Dominion

persons, who are by no means favorable

to sectarian education, staked their

lieved were the just claims of the Quebec

clergy in educational matters. It is true

that the occasion of the conflict arose in

first last June and now this week, has

chosen to give her political support to

the party that was supposed to be an-

tagonizing the views of that province on

elucational matters. We hardly think

there will be many political martyrs

hereafter in the other provinces to the

Another matter which must not b

overlooked in this connection is that the

election took place during the visit of

Mgr. Merry del Val, who came to Cana

da expressly to examine into the re

lations between the church in Quebec

and political matters. Mr. Laurier may

at the Vatican, but he was not credited

there with being in very hearty sym-

pathy with the plans and ideas of the

Canadian-French, hierarchy. To the

papal representative is afforded the

verdict in favor of the party of which

has the effect of dismissing from office a

thrown away upon Mgr. del

not have been exactly persona non grate

cause of sectarian education.

of every present and future prespect, Columbia, will be greatly benefited by other nan-dozen for the easters division and there is only one way to get a prop- the change in the Canadian Pacific man- ever required. Doubtless the erty developed, and that is to put it into agement, which puts Mr. Whyte in conthe hands of some one who has the trol of the Western division. In a long necessary capital. If the people of editorial on that gentleman's qualifica-Kootenay and elsewhere will disabuse tions for his important position, it says: themselves of the idea that they can by "There is no doubt that the changes holding out for stiff prices make inveswhich have been made are in anticipators eager to buy they will find the so- tion of the largely increased mileage the called depression pass away as quickly C.P.R. will shortly have under its conas it came, and a condition of things trol in is Pacific division. It is a dissupplant it that will be infinitely tinct advantage to the mining districts healthier and more permanent than of British Columbia that their transporanything the district has yet ex- tation interests shall be in charge of one so thoroughly alive to the importance of their rapid development as is Mr THE RESULT IN QUEBEC. Whyte. Whatever intelligent energy It is impossible at this distance to can do towards upholding the great interpret the Quebec election with any trade which those regions are susceptible certainty as to the conclusions arrived of yielding, it is quite certain will now

be done by the C.P.R." THE Times thinks that it has made trustworthy guides. The thing which great point when it says that the Colon-1ST "assumed that the public generally look upon the Lieutenant-Governor's is the last expiring groan of a badly ratposed the public would take exactly that of \$65,000,000 .- Montreal Gazette. view of the matter, for the question involved is one with which most people are unfamiliar, and it was to correct the erroneous opinion that we took occasion to explain the law and the practice in such cases. The Times is welcome to all

> THE president of the Western Confedranks of labor. There is a good deal of Kootenay's trade. bumptious language used by these labor leaders, but it would be the gravest kind of mistake to suppose that beneath all this foam there is not a strong tide.

remarkable object lesson of a popular Mr. Laurier is the leader, a verdict which propriate recognition of the man who is fitly called "the father of Grand Forks." with similar objects sets \$10,000,000 as being a fit and sufficient sum where-with the father of Grand Forks." with to carry on their little business. would sustain its government in authorizing such roads in a certain class of public, a provincial ministry that had Mr. Manly many years ago recognized. The following is the complete list as the excellence of the forks of the Kettle published in the government Gazette: river as a trading centre when the fer-| Val and his tile district surrounding it became populated, and he purchased a large acreage | B. C. Gold Fields Mills | 250,000 | B. C. Gold Fields Mining & Mills | 250,000 | C. Victoria | 250,000 | 250,000 | C. Victoria | 250,000 | C. Victoria

constituencies. The Ottawa Citizen, which has been Conservative ever since constitutional. Our London contempor-The statement that business depression exists in Rossland is worthy of it was printed, and Conservative in the ary will be glad to learn that the oppo-

THE Nelson Miner says the COLONIST ment of mining properties on a legitimate business basis. In the meantime the truth. There are eld political issues the Cassiar Central railway. When any

brought into the discussion. This was inevitable, but the Department of Agriculture will make a great mistake if it Tid-Bits.

Bealer.

Robson—So you were married on the day of the election, were you? You didn't vote, then? Yabsley—No; I was paired.—Tid-Bits.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

have two heavy consolidated locometives built for the mountain sections, three compound freight locomotives for the The Winnings Nor'Wester thinks that Pacific division, six ten-wheel passenger the whole Northwest, including British locomotives for the western division, and Nest road will utilize a number of these new engines.-Alberta Plaindealer.

· CHEAPER METHODS NEEDED. Any man who takes the position that the possibilities of the Rossland camp are to be measured by the conditions which exist to-day when our ores are smelted on the basis of a transportati charge of not less than \$6 a ton, to say nothing of other high charges of a purely temporary character, is outside the field of calm and reasonable discussion. -Rossland Miner.

THAT PREFERENTIAL CLAUSE. The technical view of it is being taken, and public opinion in this country is the situation.—Manitoba Free Press.

Those papers which are comparing the condition of British finances with that of Canada, to the latter's disadvantage, foraction as due to advice by his ministers," the reference being to the reseroffice, government railways, etc.,
amount to about \$7:25 a head. In Great Britain the figure is \$13 a head. If Canada had Great Britain's rate of taxtled factionist. Now, as a matter of fact, ation, instead of a revenue of \$36,000,000 it is perfectly true that the Colonist sup- or \$37,000,000, she would have receipts

> The liberality of the government of British Columbia should be an object lesson to the law-makers of the States .- Nelson Miner.

Such a commission has worked well in the comfort it can get out of this admis- Massachusetts and in other states of the neighboring union; and it might work well here.-Ottawa Citizen.

can Eastern Canada get along without

OVER FORTY MILLIONS.

Those most closely in touch with public panies newly arriving on the scene of commercial life be small, what is, lacksentiment in the Western and Pacific ing in numbers is made up in the valua-Coast states admit that forces are at tion placed on their intended operations work that may be revolutionary. Con- by the promoters of the concerns. There gressman Dingley's statement that he hopes one effect of the new tariff will be ette, and of these four hail from this to contract the currency wiil not tend to city. As far as figures go one of this promote social harmony. The United lot is top-liner in the way of capitalization—a cool \$20,000,000 to carry on the business of miners and metallurgists, and to win, get, mine and work ore, THE election of Mr. John Manly as minerals, precious stones, metallic substances, etc., etc. Another Victoria comstances, etc., etc. Another Victoria comstances, etc., etc.

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HALL MINES SMELTER.

The whole arrangement of the new naces are running the roaster and reverberatory will probably be operated steadily.—Nelson Miner.

promising properties would lay to mind think also that the facts that have been the old adage that "there are as good fish in the sea as ever were caught," and when they are offered a decent price weight to lead the government to take it and go after something else, they beside upon the subjects of it. We charm a couractely reflects the views of the people."

Philadelphia North American.

Little Man (golf enthusiast)—Why don't you study your lessons, as Tommy Jones does? Johnny—If you play golf?

Big Man (blase)—Why; because I object to chasing a quinine pill around a cow pastake it and go after something else, they

settling down to the conclusion that be-cause the tariff resolutions do not specify in words that Great Britain shall be given preferential rates, the German and Belgian treaties and the favored nation

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ties are better.

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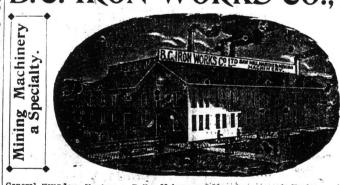
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partment of the bus Mr. J. A. Macfarlan The C.P.R. have d on shingles and lum pounds eastward.
In a discussion be committee of the comm ompany last night t transfer passengers of tram in the city limi and vice versa for new line to the par post office, down Pe along Georgia to the VANCOUVER, May

Hon. Dr. Montague mining business ar through the Kooten Supt. Veatch, of t Savonas, states th quicksilver will be Mr. Leckie, of Company, whose p rison lake camp, pany will have their 15th of June. To t at all events, they mine sufficiently building a 14-mile site at the headwate and erecting a mill.

property, which is considered veins running feet in depth, assay quantities, and has gone below \$100 to th The Golden Cache erection and in a ve at work. The Athabasca, worked for 400 feet etc., and the compar will be at once erec The Elderado com R. A. Lambert to sir on the lower end of

by them. The curr too swift to allow wi extent. The Eldera by sinking in the so the stream and neath it will most l strata of clay overli gravel in the bed of WESTM

NEW WESTMINSTE -The grand jury ha asylum for the ins and that the atter The elections at tion resulted as fo grand chancellor, Haddow, vice-cha R. Rivers, grand pr Pferdner, G. K. of R E. Leeson, grand m Victoria; J. W. Gra at arms, Rossland grand inner guard. grand outer gua supreme represent

ster. The Supreme Vancouver to-day a visit to the lodges th The Tenas George in progress all day go to the jury before

Mr. L. H. Hill ha his claim on Texa brought down with very fine rich speci of which he is joint John McLeod, Gra Young. The Hill c a mile from the wh at Stewart Bay and so that the cost of s be small. The sean fined, is three feet and has widened on A shaft has been and the samples ta richly mineralized, portions of galena. been made, but th naturally well plea obtained from the and intends pushi with all possible e are to be congratul sion of so valuable

CHE CHEMAINUS, May burn to-day held a of the infant day Crozier. The child nesday by a pile upon her. A verd was returned.

GRAN GRAND FORKS, voters of Grand Fo ord as being in favo gressive policy c the city. The elect , resulted in the y for mayor, by jority, he lacking of ing double the nur opponent, Peter was general rejoic Saturday evening regard to party, c mavor's residen tions and well wis leaders are unable say now that the settled they are in with their late op jointly for the up defeat, except tha