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ple. The Indian government has, there-

ways, and millions of acres have been logical survey of Canada was first com- tenant-Governor but the resignation of disadvantage. Women in Great Britain nade famine-proof by the construction menced in 1842, and, owing to the vast his office. His opinion is shared in, and for many years past, have voted for all of many miles of irrigating canals, which area of the country, it is still in progress, his utterances endorsed by 99 out of every draw their water from unfailing sources, and will continue for many years to 100 voters in the province; and yet Mr. and many women have been elected on and in the land adjacent to these, rice, come. The work done by the geological McInnes insists on holding on to his posi- school boards and as poor law guardians millet and other foodstuffs can be raised surveyors is invaluable to miners and pros- tion. He insists on doing so despite the whether the monsoon brings the rain or pectors. The work consists primarily in fact that he has been censured by the not. In former famines many of the peo- the preparation of maps, showing the authorities at Ottawa, that he is dis- ther extended, and now they can sit as ple could not be reached owing to the horizontal distribution of the various for credited in British Columbia, and that limited means of transportation. Rail- mations and of sections showing the ver- his whole course has been severelly conways and wagon roads have been con- tical arrangements. The facts exhibited demned by every unbiassed mind acquaintstructed so that the relief department of by maps and sections are called respect- ed with the first rudiments of constituthe Indian government can reach almost ively the areal geology and structural ge- tional procedure. He does so, too, in face everywhere with whatever food or medi- ology. For their complication it is neces- of the carefully-kept family secret, whis giving to women of the suffrage would have cine can be procured for the starving peo- sary that the rocks be classified, and the pered in the ears of the electors of Nanaistudy of the formations for the pur, ose mo by his son William, prior to the elecfore, been able to mitigate the famine to of classification involves the determina- tions, that his father had been anxious a large extent, which would not have tion of their position and other physical to resign for two years. If he has been cousins and aunts participating in a livebeen the case had it not planned and put characteristics, and also the determination possessed with a yearning to resign, durinto effect these means of protection. of the fossils which they contain. In ing all that time, why does he not do so ly election canvass, but this may ner There are some 60,000,000 affected by regions not provided with previous topog- now? He never had a better opportunity haps, be mere masculine prejudice, and therefore, something of no very great mothe famine, and it is impossible with the raphical maps on which to delineate the of doing so to the completest satisfaction ment, and perhaps not worth considering outcrops of the formation, the geological of all the residents of the province, with to do nearly all that should be done. It corps has to perform topographical as well the exception of Hon. Joseph Martin in the light of the advantages which the is a most lamentable situation, and is as the geological work. The party that and his handful of adherents. Surely he advocates of female suffrage claim would one which is too great for even the won- is at present working in this vicinity has does not wish to incur the contempt as result, provided their ideas could be carried out.

After all, it would be which, in case he continues to hold down The expert geologist knows that the his job, he will have to face on the 5th a custom which prevalled is on

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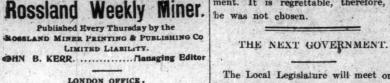
ers, and down to the seventeenth century The Hon. Joseph Martin, having burned women voted for members of parliament. and in the earlier centuries, sat in the councils of state and church as members. superior force, and one which is bitterly In connection with this subject it is inderesting to note that in a recent issue of Harper's Weekly Governor Steunenberg of Idaho has an article on woman suffrage in his state. In 1898, he states, the women cast fully 40 per cent of the votes cast. considering the larger number of men in the sate. Further than that, the governor says, there is every reason to believe that the percentage will increase until it is fully as large as that of the men.

"As to the character of the vote." says the governor, "it does not appear to come from any particular classes or places; the city and the county districts alike give their quota of women votes. although the tendency of women in the cities toward voting is rather greater than

"In a general sense, there can be no doubt that the participation of women in our public affairs has had a most elevating influence. All parties see the necessity of nominating the best individuals of their parties. Instead of seeking extremes of reform, as had been predicted, they are interested in a stable and conservative administration for the benefit of the homes and the children."

From all of which it is to be gathered man has done a great deal for mining, ity. This is so because it seems certain and is a most valuable personage in the that any of the members of the legisla- tics, notwithstanding his Coeur d'Alene the women's vote again.

The Belgian hare industry has overwhelmed California and Michigan, and is creeping northward and has invaded



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THE RESULT

field on which they will be allowed to The government of Hon. Joseph Martin has been overthrown by the ballots of the people and a new and better condition of affairs will be inaugurated at Victoria. It is probable that with the collapse of Mr. Martin and his ambitions, Lieutenant Governor McInnes will retire into the obscurity of private life from which he ought never to have emerged, and his office will be filled, it is hoped, by some man of reason and sound judgment. The result of the contest must be most grati fying to every one who has the interest of the province at heart, even though the Legislature, owing to the diverse elements of which it is composed, will undoubtedly be in a somewhat chaotic state during the first days of the session. As, however, the members elect are, in the main, men of standing and intelligence. and men who, it is believed, have the good of the country at heart, they will, without doubt, be able very quickly to bring about a state of order, and will hold together if for no other reason than to render impos sible the success of any further machina tions on the part of Hon. Joseph Martin. The elements exist for the composition of a good, sound business government, and it is hoped that all political differences and animosities may be sunk in the endeavor to create such a government Rossland has reason to deplore the defeat of Hon. C. H. Mackintosh. The constituency will very quickly perceive the error tawa. which has been made in his rejection by the electors. Had he been returned to

the legislature he would have made a most capable leader of the house; in fact, will exercise the minds of the people durthere is no one in the new legislature who ing the next week or two. By the dewould have had so many claims to that position, and this riding would have had intosh and Charles Wilson the question the honor of being represented by the is considerably complicated. Mr. Mackpremier. As it is, we have as our representative a gentleman who will be regarded by the government as an irreconcilable opponent, and this largely because his large knowledge of public affairs, his of his staunch adherence to Mr. Joseph freedom from affiliation with any of the Martin. The majority has spoken, however, and

we must submit, let the consequences be what they may. Martinism, however, has been defeated, and all good citizens will breathe more freely.

THE RESULT IN THIS RIDING. The election in the Rossla

The Local Legislature will meet on the fifth of July, not quite four weeks from today, and in the interval the utmost efforts should be made by the members

ment. It is regrettable, therefore, that

elect representing the various elements who stood in opposition to Martinism to coalesce and form a good sound business administration. No party distinctions should be permitted to stand in the way of such a consummation. There are no

differences of opinion so absolute that they cannot be reconciled. The great issue in the campaign was the overthrow of the unconstitutional compact formed by McInnes and Martin and until these gentlemen and their adherents have been

taught that British Columbia is not a

conduct their machinations for their personal or political aggrandisement, their opponents should lay aside all differences of views and hold together for the public good. Out of 38 seats Mr. Martin has obtained eight, so that he is in a hope less minority. Whether the elements opposed to him do combine, as they ought to, one thing is certain, the man who is primarily responsible for giving Mr. Martin his undue prominence during the past few months, the man who, had he displayed any shadow of sound judgment, any desire for the interest of the province of which he is the Lieutenant-Governor, might have saved all this turmoil by aiding in the formation of a quite allowable coalition of the members of the last legislature-this man must no longer be permitted to bring himself and the province into contempt by his muddleheaded manner of conducting business entrusted to his charge. A man who, like Lieutenant-Governor McInnes. can be made the tool of every political adventurer who flatters his vanity or appeals to his personal or family ambition, is not a fit and proper person to be ever the nominal head of a province like British Columbia, and if he does not take the step which his son assured the electors of Nanaimo, he had for two years contemplated taking, then he should be summarily dismissed by the government at Ot-

> Who will be called upon to form the next administration is a question which feat of candidates like Hon, C. H. Mackintosh would have been the ideal man for the position, and his election would have set the matter at once at rest. With

elect from Vancouver, Messrs. Garden various factions and his reputation as a and Tatlow, have offered their services steady and unwavering friend of the to Mr. Turner towards the formation of sults, other things being equal, are arrived All that he can possibly do, under the province, he would have been able to a cabinet, it is an indication that the bring the anti-Martinites together, and Conservatives are convinced that they from amongst them have chosen a cab- have secured a position from which they individual. Therefore, those who decry bite." This he will certainly do, but he inet which would have given every assur- can control the country. They are, scientific knowledge in mining make a is reduced to such a condition of im- Oregon and Washington. Buck hares rance of honest measures and progressive however, acting somewhat hastily, and very serious mistake, and the Dominion potence that even if he does this he with long pedigrees sell for as high as Regislation. It is not unlikely now that we imagine they will perceive their mis- government is doing a wise thing in put- can be muzzled. According to the ver- \$500 apiece, and the fad threatens to besee the desirability of recognizing the regard, the result of the elections as a triumph for the Conservative party, nor must he attempt to fill his cabinet with Island representatives. If he does there will be trouble at once, as any government so constructed will be built on an exceedingly sandy foundation.

means at the disposal of the government derful resources of Great Britain to prop- a topographical as well as a geological well as the hostility of the Legislature. erly handle. It is a situation which decorps with it. nands an exercise of the sympathy of the entire civilized world, and to a cer- precious metals are only found in cer- of July. tain formations and are entirely missing tain extent it is receiving this, and in a substantial way. The people of Great in others, and hence with the completed Britain are sending what they can to In- geological survey of a mining district be fore him, the miner or prospector knows dia. The people of Eastern Canada are exactly the place where he is most likely all bridges behind him, is in a most uncontributing liberally to the famine fund. The citizens of the United States have to find mines of the sort he may be search- enviable position. He is confronted by a ing for. raised a large fund and have just sent a There is a tendency, too, on the part of hostile to him and his methods. The shipload of corn to India. The governsome to descry the mining geologist, which majority of those elected on the Island, ment of the United States contributed the is entirely wrong. This is principally be- and who may be classed as Turnerites, \$40,000 which naid the charter of the cause in the first place, there are some men bear him no love, for they blame him ship which will carry the corn to India. The residents of Western Canada have in every mining community who know partially for the downfall of the governbeen so absorbed by the war in South just enough about geology to make many ment of which Mr. Turner was the head, Africa and their own business for several mistakes. With them it is the old story The Cottonites who were elected have nonths past that they have overlooked of a little knowledge being a dangerous nothing but contempt for the man from thing. In the second place, there are Manitoba, who, when he found he could the famine in India. They have been geologists who come into mining regions not rule the Semlin government, of which called upon to contribute to many charfull of knowledge which the books give he was a part, ruined it. That portion itable objects of late. This, however,

should not deter them from giving what them, but armed with little or no practi- of the labor party which is under the lead they can afford to save the poor famine- cal experience. Until they have acquir- ership of Mr. Ralph Smith, is not in touch stricken people of India from a death by ed a practical knowledge they sometimes with Mr. Martin, for the reason that their make mistakes. This has a tendency to standard-bearer was abused and misrepstarvation with all its fearful pangs. The shortage of water and the fact that bring the exponets of geology into disrepeople have been compelled to drink that pute with those who know nothing about Mr. Martin and most of his henchmen, which is stagnant and full of disease- it except what they have learned for on every possible occasion. The larger breeding microbes when in an enfectbled themselves by actual observation. The portion of the electors of the province are ondition, has brought on an epidemic of man from the college, who is well ground opposed to Mr. Martin, which is plainly that dread scourge, the cholera, and this ed in the science of geology, and who then shown by the result of the election. Thus secures the proper amount of experience it is that the present premier finds himhas added a new misery to starvation. The cup of misfortunes of the people of in a mining country, is invaluable, as he self a political ishmaelite distrusted by a drouth-stricken sections of India is in- not only has the practical experience majority of the people and hated by a deed, full, and who is there in this land gained by his own observation, but he large number of his colleagues. Turn also knows all that the masters of science where he will he cannot possibly, we beof plenty who will refuse to contribute a mite towards ameliorating the condition who spent lifetimes in acquiring a knowl- lieve, form a combination with any eleedge of the structure of the earth, can ment that would be effective or which of a people in such dire distress? teach him. While the practical mining would give him any semblance of author-

LIBERALS MUST BE CONSULTED.

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economy of mining, how much more useful ture, except the government members, who If there is any truth in the report from would he be were he to have the book would form a coalition with this now disthe Coast that the Conservative memberslearning regarding the industry which he credited and defeated minister, would renfollows. We believe the very best re- er themselves buttittle short of infamous at where practical experience and scien- circumstances, in the words of Shakestific knowledge are combined in the same

Mr. Turner may be called on again, and take even before the House assembles in ting corps of geological and topographical dict of the people, rendered on June 9th, come as wild as the tulip craze in Europe, if he is, it is to be hoped that he will July. Should Mr. Turner, if he is called surveyors in the Kootenays, which is the on to form a government, fill his cabiclaims not of one, but of all the elements net entirely with Conservatives he will opposed to "Fighting Joe." He must not be guilty of an error which may cost the province another election, and he will most certainly then go back to the Legislature with a greatly diminished following. The Liberals did indeed take no action as a party in any of the constituencies but worked and voied for the best man in the field irrespective of party affilia tions, and generally in opposition to Mar-

offices except members of parliament, A cable from London a day or two since. states that their privileges have been furmembers of county councils. Throughout Ireland women vote for poor law guardians, in the seaport towns for harbor boards, and in the city of Belfast for municipal officers. It is possible that the a purifying influence on politics, which it is claimed by suffragists that it would. There are many men who would not care to see their wives, daughters, sisters,

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MARTIN'S FATAL OMISSION.

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resulted in the return of Hon, Smith Curtis by a majority of 36, and in the defeat of Hon. C. H. Mackintosh. The will of the majority prevails, and Mr. Curtis will, it would seem, occupy a seat in the legislature. Two things added materially in the election of the successful candidate and made it difficult for his wery popular opponent to make much headway in the face of such fortuitous circumstances. One thing which greatly assisted Mr. Curtis was his taking the initiative in the settlement of the labor troubles which so disturbed the affairs of neither private ends or public ambitions the Rossland camp a few weeks mince. to serve.

This made Mr. Curtis friends among the members of the Miners' union and other bodies of a like character, and secured him not a few supporters among the business men of the city. This caused him to have the majority which he did in this and deaths from starvation are taking city. In the Boundary country his promise to give the people there a competing "railway, it is certain, gave him many sups porters there. These two circumstances. coupled with a mistaken idea that the most estimable gentleman who ran against " him was not a friend of organized labor. caused his election. It is certain that Thad a man of less personal popularity than Governor Mackintosh, or one who has done less for the mining interests of the camp, ran against Mr. Curtis, he would have been beaten by a much larger majority than he was. It will, however, as the Miner has frequently pointed out during the campaign, be a barren viotory for the Rossland riding, and it would there been much better if Mr. Mackintosh had been the winner. Hon. Joseph Martin is no longer premier of British Columbia; he will be hopelessly in the mi- and hence there is no chance for storing position side of the house. Under the at intervals, as the regular seasons are. much for the riding, as the government any sudden emergency or catastrophe, as political career. will not be inclined to favor a constitu. they are improvident, shiftless, and but ency which sends a representative which little better, than children. is opposed to it. On the other hand, had Mr. Mackintosh been returned he would

Let us have an administration which tin, and it is not very likely that they will legislate in the interests of the whole will tamely submit to a manipulation of country, and the members of which have the Assembly for the benefit of the conservative organization in the province. If Mr. Turner is called on he will best serve

THE FAMINE IN INDIA.

One of the greatest famines of the present century is now raging in India, itles. place by the thousands. It seems prob- of New Westminster, has decided to abanable that the famine of 1769, in which don the political field, which he resignthree millions died from lack of food, ed his postmastership to enter, and is demay be duplicated, or even surpassed be sirous of obtaining a more lucrative govfore the land again becomes fruitful ernment position than he formerly held. enough to support the 300,000,000 of peo- If this is so, if he entered the Martin ple who inhabit the country. The pic- government under the impression that it tures published in the current illustrated might be returned to power and that publications of groups of the poor, hun- in that event a cabinet position might gry people is enough to stir the stoutest lead to some high-paid office; and now heart to pity. The cause of the famine that he finds himself and his colleagues was a failure of the rains to come last in a hopeless minority he wishes to retire fall, and this prevented the storage of into the obscrurity of a collectorship which water to grow the usual crop of rice and will assure him a comfortable living, he millet, and the result is that the coun- should be set adrift as too venal for any try over vast areas has become a desert, consideration whatever. Mr. Brown in which even the deepest wells have dried up. The country is so overpopulated that the crops, even in wet seasons, barely give the people enough to eat, nority in the legislature, and Mr. Curtis surplus food for the years when there he is not greatly to be pitied if he descovwill occupy one of the seats on the opcircumstances he will be unable to do The people of India are unsuited to meet shut himself off from all possibility of a

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richest quartz mining section in Canada for the purpose of increasing the scientific knowledge of a section, which is des ance.

VANCOUVER LIBERAL ASSOCIATION

The action of the so-called Liberal Asso ciation at Vancouver in passing a resolu-"Fighting Joe" will have more trouble on tion condemning the suggested action of his hands than even he has stomach or the Dominion Government in dismissing Lieutenant Governor McInnes will not meet with the approval of any consider avoid a number of unpleasant experiences able portion of the. Liberals throughout if he were to resign for this would be his the Province: in fact the Vancouver Asshortest way out of a sea of trouble. sociation is very nearly as much discredited with the Liberals of British Columbia

posed of the best men of the various factions, with the exception of the Martin- as is the Lieutenant Governor. The men bers of this organization are Hon. Joseph

Martin's most obedient political slaves, It would appear that Mr. J. C. Brown, willing and anxious to obey his commands no matter what they may be or how inimical to the interests of the Province. It was they who lent him so much assistance in his gallant effort to pack the Provincial convention which was recently held in that city; and an organization, the majority of whose member will countenance methods of this kind, can hardly hope to command the respect or confidence of its party or of the people at large. Sir Wilfrid Laurier will scarcely be inclined to heed the outcry of men who have not only displayed their hostility to good government, but to the long established principles of Liberalism in Canada. possesses all the demagogic attributes of his leader, Mr. Joseph Martin without

that gentleman's courage, and if he gives rein to his political aspirations, and becomes renegade to all his old time associations in an attempt to seize a portfolio obtaining a government billet but has

THE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

The Dominion government has a party in imous sentiment of the members of the late House, but he has made it plain that which prevailes in Great Britain, could as he would be a supporter of the govern- have been made from the principal water- and Midway. The work of making a geo- there is no alternative open to the Lieu- be adopted in British Columbia without

want him; that is, powerless to do harm. price. If Hon. Joseph Martin had only As the position now is, it is evident from thought of it in time he could have put the want of love and respect that a a Belgian hare plank in his platform in tined to become of paramount import- large majority of the legislators bear for the way of a promise to promote the inhim that whenever he shows his head in dustry, under governmental ownership, a defiant or a belligerent attitude, that which might have resulted in returning a

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

there will be plenty of members ready majority of his supporters, but then, to shy clubs at him, and from the temeven Mr. Martin's foresight is not as per of his colleagues, it is plain that good as his hindsight.

RUSSIAN INFLUENCE.

heart for. Under the circumstances, he The Northern Power Officially Denies That It Has Ulterior Motives in China. would show considerable wisdom and

Washington, D. C., June 13 .- The state department has heard nothing about the reported killing of the American missionary and the Japanese secretary of legation at Peking officially. In fact nothing has been heard from Conger since his cablegram last night up to close of office hours. The news of the killing of the American missionary caused a shock at the depart-ment, where it is realized that this adds During the rectnt campaign Hon. Smith Curtis was asked what his attitude was

on the question of woman suffrage in this Province, and in reply he publicly pledged greatly to the gravity of the pro awaiting settlement by the United States. Definite official information was re-ceived today from the foreign office of himself to support it if he were elected. As he was elected he stands pledged, and so does the riding, to support woman sufontinental one of the most frage. As Mr. Curtis belongs to the mipowers stating the Tsung Li Yamen had notified the minister of that power at nority, his advocacy of the cause of downtrodden women will not be very potent. Pekin that the Dowager Empres not object to the presence of foreign troops to China territory. The Empress unless a measure giving the ballot to woman is favored by the dominant por-tion of the legislature. We believe that the powers is felt to remove a threaten-the powers is felt to remove a threatened complication and at the same time to there has been no great, no overpowering demand on the part of the women of give evidence that the Empress Dowager British Columbia for the ballot, although clamor.

In official Russian quarters the rumon there are some women here, as elsewhere, who would like to have a voice in the selection of public officers. This portion discredited, and is resented as a bit of inof womankind, we believe, would go fur-ther than even to give women equal rights pression that Russian sympathy is with the anti-foreign element. It is pointed

ed to those which prevailed during the by the utmost reserve, for while it would have been possible at any time to land him to a respectful hearing, has severely period, as during the former women large forces in China, the Russian force landed has been comparatively actually reigned supreme, the arbiter of her own destiny, the protector of her children, the Russia desired to be wholly free from any tion at Pekin was pro war with every member of the House. then was a mere capter. And family descent and in Washington, and prominent in social and official circles. May, formerly with the Belgian legation

Mr. J. A. Whittaker; one of the own ers of the Silver Peak and Silver Park mineral claims, in East Kootenay, is in

HE SHOULD RESIGN.

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