the introduction of reforms ervation of the general

continent. of war has been the direct the Macedonian policy to ncipation from the Ottoby force and a determinanpel, if possible, European in their favor. The Macem to be blind to the fact that ct is robbing them of all n the quarters where they arouse it. Greece is exdecided disposition to join my, Turkey, in suppressing nian revolt, although, unnt conditions, the bonds of faith of the insurrectione Greeks, and their joint he Mussulmans, would have er to support the Macedon The drift of popular sentirope against the Macedonced in the declaration made Ricciotti Garibaldi to raise Italians to aid Turkey in the revolution. Europe that there shall be no war. facedonians seem to be inmination in their determicreate a state of war.

L OF JOURNALISM.

posed to found a school of says Dr. Goldwin Smith proposal is backed by men ced in political life as Anand Secretary Hay. The ch is to secure that a power immense shall be in excelis excellent. Whether it is in the way proposed, the he experiment must decide. is not like law or mediular profession, nor can you malification for it analolegal or medical degree. make it their calling in life. take it up only for a time. view to dealing with some ject. The general informaa journalist ought to have quired at existing universiknack of writing editorials be imparted anywhere. The of the work can be learned office. In literary skill, in vance of news, in editorial istrative capacity, the newss as a whole, apparently much to be desired. It be fully on a level with the vels of the age. Yellow jourelf is by no means wanting g which a professional inould impart. Integrity, inpatriotism, freedom from influences which turn jour-

VESE IMMIGRATION.

ining can impart."

mous sum of \$424.891 has eted at the port of Victoria head tax during the per-July, 1902, to August 31 last. beats all records in Orienation to Canada.

mere tools, are the things

to be lacking, and these no

Celestials are pouring into at the present time is not erstand, when it is rememon and after January 1. will come into effect a Dotatute virtually prohibitive Orientals in its operation, tax from \$100-as at pres-0. That such a tax will olutely prohibitive is the the best informed: but from atil the first of the new year. of the "yellow horde" is crease rather than diminish. ed statement of the receipts t fourteen months is as fol-

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der when it neglected to the enforcement of the new liately after its passage. Its do so has resulted in a at will be far reaching in its

lenger and defender of the ip are built and rigged so their owners dare not venthem over the course with blowing nearly forty miles The little British cutter which was as trim and a yacht as was ever on the Brenton Reef cur-New York Yacht Club's best Dauntless, in a gale and rse exceeding 250 miles in in the open sea. America has degenerated into a

A GRAVE QUESTION.

For many months The Miner has discussed the local smelting situation in all its many phases, with a view to eliminating certain distressful conditions that affect the mining industry. It has devoted more time and space to to its own welfare. NELSON POLITICS.

this important factor in the welfare of the community than probably any other six newspapers in Canada. It has done so in the sincere belief that the prosperity of the district depends upon the lowest possible treatment rates. The mines have shown their appreciation by providing all the data Mining Association has loyally lent its support by the passage of highly intelwith the problem, but the general public and the jack-leg politicians do not seem to have grasped, or refuse to grasp, the true inwardness of the situation, and have been guilty of what

Before proceeding further, it would done in any sense to either the smeltthe custom smelters have ever shown a desire to reduce the tariff whenever an opportunity has occurred. The smelters have been constantly reno- Conservative nomination at Nelson by vated and improved. They are now questionable methods. But because ministry secured the support of nearly equipped with every contrivance known for economical treatment. There are no better equipped plants any- vatives or any other element of the where than the smelters that handle Kootenay ores.

This camp is now confronted by a of smelter rates, and it is to be noped ally arousing the people of Rossland shipments to the Northport smelter. sive scale have been suddenly brought

It is not the fault of the Kootenay smelter that a better treatment rate ince as a whole. cannot be quoted. The trouble has

Day after day, month after month, we have argued and pleaded for a condition that would allow competitive collieries. This is the only safe locators 1500 feet square with no exand certain means of breaking the Crow's Nest fuel monopoly and at the same time providing an adequate supply expect lower treatment rates from the Northport smelter so long as the owners have to pay nearly \$9 per ton for Crow's Nest coke and then find it miles across the continent at almost throughout the length and breadth of Southern British Columbia is in the duction works in that wide region but what are under the oppressive heel province.

of the Crow's Nest monopoly. In the face of all this, how can it be expected that the mining industry can flourish to the best advantage? But it gree if the cost of coke were reduced of competitive collieries,

should have been opened a year ago. The fault that they are not opened lies with the corrupt and incompetent politicians and a public indifferent

The industrial salvation and general prosperity of the Kootenays rests almost entirely with the opening of collieries in East Kootenay independent of the Crow's Nest Coal company.

As a rule provincial newspapers available from their viewpoint; the these days have little or nothing to smetters have been equally apprecia- say about B. C. politics, except to retive and obliging. The Provincial port the progress of events. They abstain from comment as to the respective merits of the parties and the candidates, because it is too early in the ligent and forcible resolutions dealing campaign to deal with such matters. The only notable instance to the contrary is the malignant low cunning manifested by the Nelson Tribune in its discussion of the contest in the Nelson riding. The Tribune is endeavoring to besmirch the personal is nothing short of calloused indifcharacter and private life of S. S. Taylor, K. C., in the hope that it will succeed in hiding the many political shortcomings of John Houston. The probably be well to digress for a short Miner, of course, holds no brief for space, in order to make everything Mr. Taylor, but, in keeping with hunclear and prevent an injustice being dreds of fair-minded electors, it is disquently had occasion to congratulate the grand principles of true Conserthe district upon the gradual reduction vatism he might win both sympathy that has been achieved in the cost of and votes, but by his petty, narrowsmelting Rossland and other Koote- he can only succeed in reaping a nay ores. The charges have been cut whirlwind of defeat. It is such tactics from \$14 or more to \$5 or less per ton. as these that are liable to bring dis-It is highly gratifying to know that credit to the Conservative party. We hope, however, that the public will not judge the party by anything Houston may say or do. Houston jockeyed himself into the

he has succeeded in that respect, it all disinterested elements in a lemodoes not follow that he deserves either cratic state when asserting the finalthe respet or support of true Conser- ity of the state's decisions. electorate. On the contrary, it is the unquestionable duty of all good Conservatives in the Nelson riding to do everything possible to insure the destartling object lesson in the matter feat of this selfish and rampant, vet Houston stood on the floor of the legisother hand, the manager of the North- instinct nor, apparently, the desire to originally quoted for the same. his lasting shame and disgrace he sup-The result is that plans for the oper- ported the Prior-Dunsmuir adminiation of the Kootenay on an exten- stration and all its deviitry and wan ton corruption. In his puerile way he to a standstill, the mine is to remain is attempted by that patriotic body has ever sought to undo the good that closed pending other arrangements, the Provincial Mining Association. He and the large force of men that were has shouldered his obnoxious presence employed there are thrown out of em- into the councils of the Conservative party only to cause internal friction and external distrust. His election would be nothing short of a that that great mine is forced to close great calamity to B. C. Conservatism, down. It is not the fault of the to the Nelson riding, and to the prov-

but one source and that is the fuel ADVANTAGES OF B. C. MINERAL LOCATIONS

British Columbia enjoys a distinct advantage over the United States in the matter of its law which gives mineral tralateral rights.

The majority of mining men who are familiar with the United States law of smelter fuel at largely reduced ership and the principle of extralateral poses. According to his story he has rates. It would be preposterous to rights as recognized in the neighboring republic is responsible for much of the prohibitive rates. It is, however, not play to such flexible theories of vein that perhaps it is as well to encourage a question of simply the Northport dip and formation as may suit the insmelter. The smelting industry terests of some litigants, but the coastant possibility of litigation impels American mining companies to fortify themselves by acquiring large holdings adsame predicament. There are no re- jacent to those actually being developed -a necessity that does not exist in this

A STRIKE AGAINST A GOV-ERNMENT.

In less than five days the Victorian strike begun on the state-owned railhearly one-half by the establishment was occasioned by the refusal of the ien into a dry well.

The East Kootenay coal reserves the Railway Employees' Association forty days and never take a bite, they must be opened without delay. They withdraw from the Victoria Trades would be silly, indeed, to trouble about Hall—the headquarters of trades un- swallowing three meals a day, for meals lonism in the colony. The ministry cost money and the consumption of them took the position that as the railway takes time. An army on the march employees were public servants, they would be a collection of dupes to bother had no right to enter into such affiliations with outside labor organizations They could go into a thirty days' camas might lead to a suspension of the paign without so much as a cracker, public service through a sympathetic and then have ten days left in which to tified the ministry that unless the order was withdrawn they would leave their locomotives wherever they hapyield, but announced to the employees their right to pensions, while those who did not strike would receive doument was summoned, and a drastic bill submitted dealing with the situacountry faced a long-meditated revolt against established authority. The they ought to tie him and poke meals strike had thrown the state into confusion and would be fought to a finish. The bill submitted was not retroactive and was not to remain in force after the end of the strike, but progusted at the tactics of Houston's that parliament would consider the year, of our enormous revenue, but supremacy far in advance of all the ers or to the industrial condition of self to the many vitally important returned to work, but this was voted official figures, to hand from Ottawa, enormous, it is in reality the price that tell." ers of the strike gave in their uncon-public servants against the terms accorded them by the public was even more indefensible than a strike of private employees against the terms accorded by a board of arbitration. It was regarded as a direct attack upon the sovereignty of the state, and the

THE LIBERAL LEADERSHIP

The Liberal leadership in B. C. is still a burning issue. The public will double-dealing demagogue. He is a remember that in the account of the with cheaper transportation rates, dethat it will serve the purpose of fin- disgrace to the province as a politician meeting of the Liberal executive held rive, if need be, a handsome revenue. and a publicist, and consequently to in Vancouver some weeks ago it was As the bargain stands today, the the Conservative party. His reputa- currently reported that the vexed ques- country loses money on the G. T. P. R. and the whole province to a correct tion for statesmanship is nil, but his tion of the party leadership was laid enterprise for seven or ten years, durappreciation of a state of affairs that notoriety in the gutter of "practical" over to be decided after the election ing which time it is given practically is as unmecessary as it is intolerable. politics is about as unsavory as can by the Liberal members returned to as a gift to a private company to The Kootenay mine has discontinued be. Never once to our knowledge has the legislature. Acting on this arrangement the executive, so it is declared, The reason assigned by the manager that would be a credit to the province signed by all the candidates agreeing then the possibility of lower rates is lature and advanced any legislation at once sent out written pledges to be that would be a credit to the province signed by all the candidates agreeing

port smelter declares that he can no nothing but to set class against class nothing but to set class against class and to promote "ring" politics. To cutive, as Mr. Oliver feels at present Liberal Moses than John Oliver, of Del- welcome that railway, but they oppose ta, but he is not quite sure as to how near Joseph Martin may be to getting a majority of those elected, consequently fastening the country to the heels of a he has not signed the pledge.

Now Mr. Martin has once more assumed the role of dictator, and says that if John Oliver does not sign, he will cut away from the Liberal party and run as an independent in Vancouver. The knowing ones in the Liberal ranks in Vancouver say that this is simply a shrewd move on the part of Mr. Martin to avoid going into a Liberal convention at Vancouver, as it is openly stated that if he goes into a convention there his following to see that Mr. Martin is not nominated.

LIVING ON A DIET OF WATER.

ened, but not a few of them object to the man is a liar. The absolute truth

him in suicide. would flourish to an astonishing de- government completely crushed the but not while in a state of physical ac-

normally, is in great distress if deprived of food for twenty-four hours. no forty days to live, but that unless Brooklyn man has friends and family into him by use of a ramrod. CANADA'S DEBT.

with haversacks or commissary wagons.

vided that any railroad employee leav- asked the question, what is the amount speed, heavier armament and more ing his work without giving four days' of our national debt, could guess complete armor belt. These ships are notice would incur a penalty of five within ten or fifteen millions of dol- more powerful than any that can be The heavenly vision answered, "Well, I hundred dollars fine or a year's im- lars. In the prosperous times of to- brought against them, and also capaprisonment, and would be ineligible to day and for the past few years-long ble of outsteaming an attacking force future employment by the government. may they continue—we have heard if assailed by superior numbers. Brit-An amendment was offered promising from month to month, and year to ain thus holds her position in naval down by a majority of nearly two to the gross debt and the increases from must be paid for imperial insurance. one. The passage of the act was cer- 1896 to date are shown as follows: Canada enjoys the benefit, has now

In the last year quoted the assets

are shown at \$94,529,387, an increase of \$8,276,958, very liberal by the way, leaving the net debt at \$271,829,090. Every year, excepting one since 1895, the debt has been increased from \$2,-317,048 to \$5,422,506.

The Laurier government has a magnificent opportunity today, instead of increasing the gross debt of the country enormously by building a line for the G. T. P. R., to extend the Intercolonial, vastly increase the value of that enterprise in which the country has invested over \$70,000,000, and while furnishing the people of Canada make what use of it they can, and after that the government's three per extending the Intercolonial and in the Kootenays. private corporation for fifty or sixty

It is certainly a growing time with our national debt.

THEY WILL "STAND PAT."

The United States people await the they have strong hopes that they will moved Gladstone and advancing years "Boss" Kelly will be on hand with win. The Washington correspondent impaired the physical vigor of Salis- tiful quarter of Aberdeenshire, and he of the New York Post announces that, bury was there a vital policy of Great no matter what the evidence may be, the Britain inagurated or set aside except United States commissioners will "stand at the instance of one of those two pat." He says: "The prevalent belief champions of opposing political ideas. in Canada is that the decision will be This time it is a Brooklyn man who against her claim and in favor of the is trying to fast for forty days. He United States. England, the Canadians Winnipeg Tribune, is told of His Honor agree that the apex theory of vein own- says he is doing so for scientific pur- realize, wants no trouble with the re- the Lieut-Governor of Ontario: While for two weeks now taken nothing but is Russia and Russian aggressions in the Atlantic last week, His Honor was water, while all the time he has kept Asia, and she will not be diverted from asked to give a lesson in punctuation interminable litigation with which the at his work, which is that of a builder this by any Alaskan boundary dispute. to a fellow passenger. The sentence mining industry there has been burd- of presses. The grave chances are that he Canadians know this, as do the Am- "Alice a pretty girl has just passed ericans. For a number of years past my window," was given in example a change because of difficulties and is that he is a fool, and if worth pre- England his yielded to the United States necessary to make up the shortage conflicts that might arise in adjusting serving alive, ought to be clapped into in all essentials in controversy. She with a supply hauled thousands of conditions to a radically different law. an insane asylum and fed with a squirt- yielded in the Venezuelan affair and The present United States law gives gun. But there are so many other fools, in the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. We insisted that arbitration should settle a His Honor. British boundary dispute in South Af-The possibility of living forty days rica, but that arbitration should not be without solid food has been demonstrat- tolerated on our Alaskan boundary line. ed, but the conditions have to be pe- The only way in which the present culiar, usually growing out of disease. tribunal can settle the dispute is by one lard, has reported to the state depart- smaller than this it is insufficent. If Nobody with any sense would deliber- of the members on the other side acately make the essay, for there is noth- knowledging that the American claim ing to be gained by doing so while the is correct, and this is the expected outstomach lasts. Nobody ever fasted for come, The three Americans-Lodge, forty days and attended to his labor Turner and Root-will 'stand pat.' " during that period, and nobody ever There apears to be a complete failure will. A hog or a fat bear is able to by the Americans to recognize how dissurvive for a long time without food, creditable to its reputation as a great twentieth that of aluminum. Selium nation the position of the United States does not corrode and is capable of a tivity. The bear is asleep, and the on this question is. The one redeeming very high polish. The former quality TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. strike begun on the state-owned rail- tivity. The bear is asleep, and the on this question is. The one redeeming roads some time ago. The strike hog is buried under a haystack, or fal- feature about the business is the entire building, while the latter makes the lets. All druggists refund the money

"cinch" Canada, and they propose to

A CRACEFUL COMPLIMENT.

A graceful compliment was paid to Canada by the British admiralty in giving the name "Dominion" to the latest great battleship and the selection of the Princess Louise to perstrike. The Engineers' Association no-leisurely prepare a modest repast. A form the ceremony of christening was strong man, with his organs functioning in keeping with it. The launching was, however, a reminder that Canada contributes nothing to the support of such experience make him a wreck, and ship that bears the name of another do not cause death. The man lost in ent to the navy from South Africa. the wilderness where the securing of while the Dominion is a complimen ble pay during the next two months. the wilderness where the securing of to a dependency that declines to confood is impossible knows that he has tribute anything to the first line of tion. Premier Irvine stated that the important to note that the three great battleships, of which the Dominion is one, are by far the largest, swiftest and most powerful war vessels afloat. Hitherto the United States battleships Hitherto the United States battleships cup held that position. But the British Of his best tea. The angel shook its ships are eighteen thousand tons to Probably not one citizen in fifty, if their thirteen thousand, with greater 1897... 332,530,131 if she were as self-respecting as she should be, she would bear what part she could of the burden.

EDITORIAL NOTES

A prominent (?) Rossland Conserva tive adjures The Miner to write down to his ideas. The Miner, however, prefers to write up to the ideals of true Conservatism.

An American statesman says things are in a sad state in Alaska, becausevery Alaskan is a law unto himself The trouble with us down here in British Columbia is that each of us wants to be a law unto the other fellow.

The insurgents have captured a Turkish seaport and are giving ships their clearing papers and sanitary certificates. The sanitary certificates mean that it isn't healthy to hang around that port, and consequently most of the ships are clearing.

There are oysters and oysters, but the is a higher reduction charge than the at home or abroad. Such a task is beto be bound by the choice made by the
as remote as ever. The people of Canword him. He has neither the natural elected members. ada, who are opposed to the govern- will disturb him-for if reports are true Among others a pledge was sent to ment in the gigantic blunder, are not he will cost his weight in ambergris.

> business men. They do not oppose over, but the almanac does not take that he knows no better man to be the the entry of the Grand Trunk. They cognizance of our Indian summer that makes September and October the the action of the government in not most delightful months of the year in

> > Lord Salisbury's death recalls the Gladstone, from whom he differed up- season, are building a new house for on almost all questions of public policy. Mr. Gladstone summed up the tates. It is in a different part of the achievements of his greatest politi-country from their chief seat, Haddo, cal opponent by characterizing him which gives the title to their eldest as "a prime minister whose ancestors were similarly employed to the great of course, associations with another result of the Alaskan boundary commission with perfect equanimity. They are satisfied that they cannot lose, while are satisfied that they cannot lose, while drawn, because not until death re-

The following jeu d'esprit, says the public. Her great international concern on board the steamship Ionia, crossing "How would you punctuate that?" was asked.

SELIUM, THE NEWEST METAL.

many that a Frenchman, Edward Molits power of resistance ranks between however, if more attention were particularly in the direction of keeping bedroom tage of the new metal is its cost of windows open all night su

Numerous experimenters have tried to obtain metal as light as alumi um, but one which would poss greater rigidity. At first magianium, which is a combination of alu and magnesium, seemed to fulfill these conditions, but a few trials proved that it possessed a very short grain, which detroyed all elasticity. In other words the metal was capable of taining a very strong pressure, but

reaks easily. Such a metal, therefore, as selium, possessing the good qualities of alumum, together with strength, rigidity and the quality of receiving a pened to be at the hour designated for the strike. The ministry did not vield, but appropried to the complexes to the complex igh polish, can scarcely help becomion is considered. It is to be hoped that those who struck would forfeit it is rare when six days of abstinence that right to restrict the right that th

ABOU T. LIPTON.

relieved, the close of the week will find imperial defence and protection. Apart Abou T. Lipton (may his tribe increase!) Awoke one night from a deep dream of And saw an angel with a fountain pen

Scribbling upon a sheet of foolscap. Then, Regaining his composure, Tom sat up And asked the angelic one to have a

"I'm on the water wagon now," he said, Abou T. Lipton waved his hand: "I see, But, by the way, what writest thou?"

Here on this little sheet, in black and

The man whose boat will get the need. ed placewinner in the coming yachting

"I'm sorry," said his guest. "It is a

your name.' T. Lipton made reply, "Would I were But put me down as one who never

The angel wrote and vanished. The next He called on Tom again, but not to write. Said he, "I have, on this large, handsome

(A fine example of the engraver's art.) The names of some true sportsmen-just the best," And lo, T. Lipton's name led all the

CANADA'S GREAT SEA.

(Ottawa Journal.) The Canadian nation is the owner of the largest single body of water on the Of the closed in seas Hudson Bay

vith its 570,000 square miles of water is next in area to the Mediterranean with its 970,000 square miles. The Caribbean sea exceeds Hudson bay in area, but it is an adjunct, and

an ill separated portion of the great At-The Mediterranean and the Carribean are open seas, to which the whole world may enter. Hudson bay, by the Wash-

ington convention of 1818, is a closed sea. It belongs unquestionably to the Canadian people. No diplomacy won this great inland ocean for the British Empire. In 1818 it was regarded as a barren sea of ice,

and was thrown to the British side, c.s. a grocer might throw an extra lump of sugar in the scale. But as civilization trickles northward more and more is shown the value lands and northern waters. And

in late years, as their value appears, a well defined movement has been observed in the American republic to open the closed sea question.

LADY ABERDEEN'S NEW HOUSE.

The Earl and Countess of Aberdeen, tribute paid to him by William E. who have been in London most of the themselves on their Aberdeenshire esson, Lord Haddo. On one occasion is replacing the old mansion on it with a new one. As it happens, neighboring proprietor is Sir John Clark, whose father, Sir James Clark, the eminent physician, had a large voice in determining on Deeside for a royal residence. The west con Scotland had been thought about Queen Victoria and Prince Albert cepted Sir James' view in favor of the Aberdeenshire Highlands as having a drier and more bracing climate.

HEALTHY BEDROOMS

Each person requires 1000 cubic feet of air in the sleeping room. Measure the room you sleep in and see if you have 1000 cubic feet. length by the breadth, and then mul-"I think I would make a dash after tiply this product by the height of the Alice," promptly and wittily replied room, and if this equals 1000 you have room is ten feet square and 10 feet high, then you have exactly 1000 cubic tum, The Newest Metal.

announcement comes from Gerthat a Frenchman, Edward Molent for healthy respiration. If it is ent the discovery of another metal. your sleeping room is only 8 feet high, This new metal is called selium and is both lighter and stronger than alumi-square. From these examples anyone num. Its hardness is not quite equal can figure up for himself the size of to iron, but is greater than zinc, and his sleeping room. Generally speaking, production, which is only about one- winter, less attention would be required as to the size of the room

absence of hypocrisy. They think they new metal exceptionally suited for if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's sigministry to withdraw its order that If men could live comfortably for have the opportunity and the power to cooking utensils.