### LEADER AND PARTY.

The much-discussed political situation in British Columbia is not yet exactly as satisfactory as well-wishers of the province could desire. But we are gradually working out our salvation. We had hoped that the McBride government would be decisively defeated at the general elections, but it was merely crippled. The finishing blow has yet to be admin-

The Liberal party, when all the disadvantages under which it labored are taken into consideration, made a remarkably good fight. It disorganized the Conservative forces, laid two cabinet ministers low, and rendered reconstructien a work of extreme difficulty, if not actually impossible. Premier McBride has a nominal majority of two in a House of forty-two members. If the courts brush aside technicalities (after. the stolen ballot boxes are recovered), as they have been known to do, and order that effect shall be given to the expressed wishes of the electorate in Fernie, this majority will disappear altogether. Some other Conservative members have secured their seats in a manner which will not bear investigation. Such of them as have not judiciously covered up their tracks may receive attention later on.

This is the situation that awaits the Liberal party under its new leader. Mr. Macdonald of Rossland. That the chief and the party will rise to the occasion is the implicit belief of all who have assisted in the work of reorganization,

The party enters upon its career in siate. The members who will take their seats in the opposition side of the House on the 26th of November, it may be said without undue disparagement of past Legislative Assemblies, are a partidetermined upon reform and the regeneration of the province-that the reproach which has been brought upon us as a people by reason of the treachery to our interests, the selfishness, the prodigality and the incapacity of past ad ministrations, shall be wiped out and that the credit of British Columbia shall be established upon a firm and enduring basis under a government truly representative of the sentiments of the

There were in the assembly, which had gathered for the purpose of selecting an official, recognized head many men cap able of leading the Liberal party suc cessfully. There were men in the con pany better known to the public than the one on whose shoulders the mantle was finally thrown. For that reason it is plain that Mr. Macdonald in the short time the representatives had taken counsel together made a strong impres sion upon his confreres, and that his selection was a spontaneous expression of confidence in his ability, in his political discretion and in his general qualifications as a counsellor, guide and leader.

not yet been completely extirpated. are yet riches in abundance awaiting exploitation which persons and corporcomparatively unknown. But the opin- But we shall see about that.' Sir Willon of those who know him intimately frid Laurier has already announced that is that he is a man of strong and de a Canadian line must be built into termined character. His personality in the Yukon. It must have its terminus spires confidence and suggests force. Of in British Columbia, and naturally it comprehension of all the moves in the stone for the sake of the friendship of fascinating political game. It is urged the great American nation may not be against Mr. Macdonald that he is an in- so serious a blow to Canada after all, experienced politician. Possibly he is, but if such is the case he is indeed a curiosity. The men of Huron are nurtured on politics from their youth up. Mr. Macdonald, it is true, Alaska Boundary Commission have shed has had no Parliamentary experience. some light on the manner in which the combative, aggressive lieutenants at his not pleasant reading for Canadians. It albow. Than the leaders of the present may be true that the reports of the As- direction. government forces are not men to dread sociated Press are not absclutely reliparticularly in debate. Liberals need able, Possibly having achieved a victish Columbia.

at the feet of the Liberal party, and sacrificed, the devoted friends of Great by Mr. McBride, or Mr. Green, or whothat before the end of the present year, Britain would now be pleased if they acting harmoniously and aggressively

# NOT AN UNMIXED EVIL.

We expected that the responsibility for the Alaska boundary award would be, by some ingenious process of reasonis an offence that a Liberal government | each country taking two of the islands.

ALASKA BOUNDARY COMMISSION SITTING AT THE FOREIGN OFFICE.



The Commissioners seated at the long table from left to right are: Hon. Geo. Turner (U. S.), Sir Louis Jette (Canada), Mr. Elihu Root (U. S. War Secretary), Lord Alverstone (Great Mr. Cabot Lodge (U. S.), A. B. Aylesworth, K. C. (Canada). Mr. Lyman P. Duff, K. C., of Victoria, one of the assistant counsel, will be readily recognized by Times readers as well as Mr. Fred Wade.

tribunal, when the matter passed out cans had failed. The boundary must be Mr. Ross's partner to declare Mr. Smith, of the domain of the Canadian authori- carried along the crests of the moun- a Liberal, the choice of the electors, as this province with an absolutely clean ties it called for the appointment of "im- tains parallel with the coast. The there is no doubt whatever that morally partial jurists of repute." When Messrs. treaty did not contemplate that it he is the member for Fernie. Are the Root, Turner and Lodge were appointed should follow the sinusities of the trusted agents of the Premier afraid by the president of the United States coast. But instead of being run along that the tale of the ballot boxes may to act as commissioners Canada pro- the range nearest to the water the line after the standing of the parties in the tested. The British authorities practis to be carried back to some other range House? Are they trying to so manipucrearly able, aggressive lot. They are tically said the protest was an insult not distinctly specified, so that our late things that the time specified for a RETURNING OFFICER to a nation with which the Empire was heighbors shall not be deprived of one recount before a judge shall expire beupon the most friendly terms. Moreover, inch of territory they at present claim. fore the test can be applied? What has to refuse to permit the case to go before. In other words, we have won a great become of the ballot boxes? A governthe tribunal as constituted would have moral victory, but the Americans have ment which expects a majority of seven been a direct declaration of want of confidence in the integrity and impartiality which was correctly described in press it were not composed of men of the of Lord Alverstone. As to the work of dispatches as one of the most complete stricted integrity and of the highest the Canadian representatives upon the and convincing ever presented to an moral standing, would never think of incommission, legal gentlemen in Great international tribunal, in which the con- terfering with the course of justice to a Britain expressed the opinion that in the tentions of American counsel were adpreparation and presentation of the mitted to be weak and puerile, has ended Canadian case, all details of which re- as we had some misgivings it would. A sample of Tory trickery is afforded ceived the continuous personal super- end. Canadians have gained the decis- by the petitions presented to Parliament vision of Hon. Clifford Sifton, no point jon and lost all the profits which were in opposition to the Grand Trunk Pacific has been left unguarded. At the con-rightly and legitimately theirs. clusion of the argument it was the con- We do not wonder that the Canadian subject were very meagre, and those to sensus of opinion that nothing had been Commissioners are taking every means the Colonist intimated that the objecleft undone to make the Canadian case in their power to express their distions raised to them, put Sir Wilfrid ever presented to an international tribunal, and now that the decision has all true Britons. It is of course undeni- petitions were presented by Conservative been given in favor of our contentions able that the vexed question should be members, as was proved by the statuand we have been robbed of the advan- settled once and for all; but having ad- tory declaration of numerous alleged tages which should go with such decision, are we any worse off than we were surely have been more seemly, not to say they not seen, much less signed, the petibefore? Even if Lord Alverstone had e guified, it would have savored some tions, but they were favorable to the govupheld the rights as well as the content what less of the sycophantic, if Lord erument railway policy. In one case a tions of Canadians, the Americans would Alverstone had left it with the Americans whose name was on a petition undoubtedly have adhered to their post- con Commissioners to accept or reject swore that he had refused to sign it, Columbia, at this turning point in the tion, and the matter would have remained the findings, as they saw fit. Canada Hansard shows that the Conservative as before, with our neighbors in posses- could not have been one whit worse off members presenting the petitions had fortunes of the Liberal party of the province, much depends upon the capacity
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## THE BOUNDARY The Canadian representatives on the

could effect a complete estrangement of the people in the two chief sections of will observe from the published statements that Sir Louis Jette and Mr. Aylesworth claim that Lord Alverstone, while agreeing with them that the Canwith the American Commissioners His

ada upon this matter.

It would be better for the reputation of British newspapers if they would hold of the present government of British their peace about Canadian affairs. Columbia. And yet our contemporary the boxes were received in his depart-Think of a journal like the Daily News is dissatisfied. We take it that the dis- ment in due order. Up to the present suggesting that it is necessary for us to content of the Mugwump organ is the ask the United States to permit us to Lest evidence that could be produced of cross its territory in order that we may the wisdom of the choice of the repre carry the Grand Trunk to the Pacific Coast! Evidently our contemporary thinks Lord Aiverstone has given its friends a strip of land extending along our whole western coast, from north to But he has a superb capacity for acquirigudgment of the tribunal was reached. If such were the case. It thinks we of attention of an international charing knowledge, and he will have able, The comments of our commissioners are should join the United States outright, and would approve of any steps in that

have no misgivings as to the outcome tory by reason of the complaisance of is a law partner of the man he declared man and journal that his preference is Lillooet may be reopened and a when their new leader encounters the Lord Alverstone, who evidently followed elected, we have not the least doubt in of no value, although under it the found thereby for Hon. A. E. McPhilredoubtable temporary Premier of Bri- established precedent and agreed to a the world, being a man of integrity (if British exports to Canada have in-"compromise" in which the interests of there had been any question upon that creased by fully one hundred per cent. We implicity believe that the ball is Canada were completely and wholly point he would not have been selected in the last five of six years. ever was responsible for the appointment), and recognizing the delicacy of dredge. And no wonder. The King Ed. ful man for the party. Mr. McPhillips his position on account of the business ward, we frankly admit, has buried relationship, was particularly careful some of our contemporary's favorites as the British Empire. But our readers relationship, was particularly careful some of our contemporary's favorites as seat, though the name of D. M. Eberts seat, though the name of D. M. Eberts not to show any favors as between the deeply as if they were under the lowest suppose that the old attorney-general candidates. He made the official count depths of mud the thing of wood and may be found absolutely essential in the himself, and, as we have said, being an iron, the value of which must be estimat- government of Mr. McBride. impartial official and jealous of his repu- ed by the demand for its services, has It is not supposed for a moment that tation for integrity, allowed a few bal- deposited on the flats. ing, placed upon the shoulders of Sir adians had made out a complete case as lots his deputies had rejected because Wilfrid Laurier. Any kind of stick will regards their title to four islands in the they were marked with a black pencil do to whack the backs of the present Portland Canal, yet after a conference instead of a red. There were some leader in British Columbia that he is to get out again, will have a handful of more papers marked by voters whose in- a comparatively unknown man. The trouble reconciling the conflicting ele reasoning partisans as the Colonist. It Lordship had agreed to a compromise, tentions were perfectly apparent, but same objection was raised to the elevawhose minds could not grasp the im- tion of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The fedshould ever have been placed in power The same spirit is alleged to have govportance of strict compliance with the cral chief is fairly well known by reputaBride will not reconcile them. He will reconcile themselves to bilious criticism the boundary line along the coast. He similarly decorated have been known to enough in the public eye for the good of and nonsensical blather for another decade or so. As to the constitution of the case and that the Ameri- pute," it would have been the duty of servative party.

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Railway. The telegraphic reports on the are sure their feelings will be shared by a very different state of things. Forged prittedly established cur case it would signatures, who said that not only had

sentatives of the Liberal party.

The Pail Mall Gazette says: "Lourier has raised the politics of the Dominion to a plane upon which they Great Britain, Sir Wilfrid has been

Lillooet May Be Reopened for McPhillips or Eberts-Houston's Case Yet Unsettled.

(From Wednesday's Daily.) Since the election the McBride gov rnment has thrown off the semblance of being exceedingly fair. With a small majority to work upon there are evidences of every attempt being taken to cream voile over cream silk. Miss Ros gain an advantage for the assembling of Brash acted as bridesmaid, and were a An Exciting Day in the Business Circles one of the most complete and convincing pleasure, possibly their resentment. We Laurier in a bad light. Hansard shows the legislature. It would seem that E. Schultz attended the groom. Smith, of Fernie, who clearly obtained a good majority of the votes of the constituency for which he was a hall, which was largely attended by friends subdued anxiety in the financial and in candidate, will have to use every effort of the contracting parties. The bride and business circles of Baltimore, and a candidate, will have to use every effort to get redress, and in order to ascertain groom were tendered many congratulations day of rumors as well. Fortunately and well wishes, and were the recipients of the rumors, calculated to cause a run

> believing that undue dispatch characmade to Judge Forin in the matter and a recount asked for before him " was

of the Legislature as their leader in ac-delay will be for at least a week and cordance with the programme outlined cate that the latter officer had gone would be of use another year. in response to the challenge of the head secretary, of course contends that the ported that the work was progressing sat insual proceeding was followed and that is factorily, and that of the \$300 necessary ment in due order. Up to the present in a suitable han can be loud. The last statement of the time no order of any court has been redecided that an exhibit of statuary should the last statement of t ceived calling for their delivery. It is be held about November 15th. A commitsafe to believe, however, that the order | tee was appointed to carry it out. The exis on the way.

These delays all have an advantage for the government.

Premier McBride is still confined to cember 14th was taken into considers his home through sickness. In the mean- also. time the affairs in connection with his government are be more complicated. John Houston, who cannot be called a humble suppliant, acter." Just so. But his efforts are still awaits the receiving of himself into apparently not greatly appreciated in the fold. Meantime his enemies in the cabinet are using their best endeavors The returning officer at Fernie, who plainly told by more than one public to shut Mr. Houston off. Their efforts lips. This has not yet been finally decided upon, but the agitation is on foot. Arch. McDonald, the road boss who was returned by acclamation, will likely be asked to confine his attention to road The Colonist has a grudge against the affairs and make place for a more use-

> these plans meet with the Mr. Houston, or that the member for Portion of Hotel Damaged-Supposed t It is urged against the new Liberal Mr. McPhillips, The Premier, when able elson will lend any aid to his friend,

To those best able to judge, not by the people of Canada, and unfortunate readers of Tory newspapers must the tribunal in regard to the course of ballots had been allowed, as some vincial leader will be prominently ton.

trouble. A short session with this purpose in view, followed by a recess until EVIDENTLY IN HURRY about the regular time of meeting, will attempted. WEDDING ON THESDAY. Rabbi Montague Cohen and Miss Cella Brash United in Bonds of Matrimony. On Tuesday afternoon Rabbi Montague N.

nemies in the party hold out no hope

The government at the approaching session, which opens November 26th,

convenient methods of overcoming the

y giving away to that gentleman.

Brash, local representative of the firm of Bissinger & Co., of San Francisco. The Dept. 122, 50 Adelaide street east, Toeremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents, Pandora avenue, and was performed by Rabbi Joseph, of Seattle. The bride looked charming in a gown of dress of pale blue organdie. Mr. S. D.

Between 3 and 5 o'clock in the afternoo

dence here he became very popular, not Company, and except to a few it only among members of his congregation, like a thunderbolt, spreading consternaterized the action of the returning but with all he came in contact with. A tion everywhere. To these few it was officer of that riding in getting the ballot little over a month ago he received a call known that the company had long been boxes forwarded to Victoria. Whether from Tacoma, which was accepted. It is struggling with undigested securities. this incumbency he is now filling. Rabbi and Mrs. Cohen left for the Sound deposits, and that finally on Saturday

WOMEN'S COUNCIL.

there will be some plain speaking by force himself upon the Liberal party. the public men and public press of Can—He was chosen by the elected members.

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Allan McLane, third vice-president of the was appointed to put in shape various.

If a suitable hall can be found it was hibition, it is proposed, shall last a week. Some preliminary work in connection with the annual meeting to be held on De-

THE BRIDGE DISASTER

Union May Bring Action Charging Company With Negligence.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 20.-As a result of a special meeting of the Structural Iron ties are unmarketable. At this time Workers' Union, held last night, damage without a more accurate examination of the books and exact knowledge of the against the American Bridge Co., charging various figures, I shall not attempt to negligence in construction of the Wabash give figures to the press, but will do so railroad bridge, where the disastrous acciat the earliest practicable opportunity.

dent happened yesterday. Officers of the In the meantime prompt efforts will be union are reticent on the subject, but one made to advise with the leading credisaid the union may take charge of all the tors of the company with a view to precases and bring suit. The men at the meet- paring plans for realizing to the best ading alleged that the company had been vantage on the various assets." raising daily eighty tons of iron on the traveller at the bridge, which the commissioners said should not carry more than thirty tons.

FIRE AT KASLO Have Been the Work of Incendiary.

Kaslo, Oct. 20 .- A fierce fire was disvered yesterday morning in the Nelson otel on Front street, and but for the mpt action of the fire department it | Times says there is not yet any intimation would have resulted seriously to the business section of the city. The fire is supposed to have been caused by an in-orendiary. The back half of the hotel tends to keep to the letter of her agree

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TRUST COMPANIES FAIL.

of Baltimore.

Baltimore, Md., Oct. 19.-This has the opinion of the courts as to the validity of a number of ballots which were rejected by the returning officer.

There seem to be good grounds for that it sustained heavy withdrawals last it had failed to tide over its difficulties by securing \$2,000,000 in London. While this factor was being discussed the suspension of the Union Trust Company was announced, and it

that company. Miles White, jun., first vice-president of the Union Trust Company, was appointed receiver of that in stitution. Mr. McLane gave be sum of \$2,000,000, and Mr. White gave bond in the sum of \$1,000,000.

The last statement of the Maryland showed a capital stock of \$2,125,000. Receiver Allan McLane issued the following signed statement to-day, explanatory of the failure of that company: "The whole cause of the embar-rassment of the company is the fact that it has loaned to the Vera Cruz and Pacific Railway Company in Mexico a very large sum of money, as security for which it holds on deposit the entire of the first mortgage bonds (\$5, 000,000) preferred stock \$5,000,000, and mmon stock, \$5,000,000 of that road and that, owing to the unfavorable conditions of the money market, the securi-

Branch Closed Seattle, Oct. 19.-The Seattle branch the International Bank & Trust Co. of America, at the city of Mexico, which failed yesterday, has closed its doors. The assets of the local bank are given as \$87,000, and the liabilities \$95,000, attle customers, it is said, will re ceive over 90 per cent. of their deposits.

TURKEY'S WAYS.

London, Oct. 20.-Telegraphing from Sofla, Bulgaria, a correspondent of the that the Turkish government intends to follow Bulgaria's lead in the demobilization

Rossland's Leader -

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The convention where so many available. After of the question i the choice fell upo The new leader political life. Apart interest in politics self thoroughly in he has never taken His successful can proved, however, qualities of a poli vention he showed He is a life-long trained in Ontario bued with the princ ment.

Untramelled by an ing the tumultuous characterized Briti past with the ever among the members do much at the in ernment to establ Mr. Macdonald is training in the legs served to intensify following which in do honor to any which in this resp best ever gathered leadership in this tle question con government being ession in the degis first stable govern system will be that donald.

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The meeting was Ald. Cameron to the of Cranbrook, to the Nominations were the names have alread L. Drury, of Vict Delta: Chas. Munro Dr. King, of Crant nomination. All but a ballot being taken Henderson and Ma stood five votes in A second ballot g ditional vote, and to hour was taken, motion was made deferred until the proceed with the A ballot was McInnes and Mad est in the poll. The cided preference fo leader, the vote sta favor. A second b between Messrs

derson, resulting in Mr. Macdonald's fa

member-elect for R duly named as chi British Columbia that gentleman too modestly thanked t expression of config his sense of unfitne sible post, but decl the party at darge emergies to bringing desired, namely, the McBride administr thusiastically of the a determination t battle from the enment forces. ( followed, among th two unsuccessful as ship, W. W. B. M Henderson, who farmaking the choice unanimous one. Bo his acquiescence wit convention, and the the party to the under the leadershi They both spoke r outlook-the best eral party in the r and gave evidence parliamentarian ha the contest for t he was only chafir to take part in t on the government Henderson was ec s prepared to play in the debates on

An adjournment o'clock in the ev fecting the party van informal way. for the conduct of at the opening of Concerning the tion was passed that none of these

lature.

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