Says the Government is Growing S ronger Each Day.

## FAVORS KETTLE VALLEY ROAD

Points Out a Way in Which it Can be Built -Announces himself as a Legislative Candidate For This Riding Japanese Immi-

Mr. Smith Curtis arrived in this city Friday on the 10:25 train. He was seen by a Miner reporter, and stated that he left Victoria on Tuesday morning last, and has been on the road since. He addressed meetings at Agassiz, Yale, North Bend and Lytton, speaking at the latter place last night, and before good sized audiences in each place.

He said: "Great interest was shown, and the electors appear to take a deeper concern than usual in this campaign. Mr. Martin also spoke at North Bend, and Lytton, and is on a tour which will take him as far east as Fort Steele, and upon his return he will speak here on April From here we will take a trip through the Boundary creek country and proceed to the Okanogan valley, and from thence north to the main line of the C. P. R. again. On Vancouver Island the present government has been constantly growing in strength, and we feel satisfied that it strong, but thoroughly representative. will carry a majority of the seats there The government appears to be equally strong on the coast, and in fraser River valley. The government intends to have candidates in every constituency through out the province, with the possible exception of Nanaimo city, where Mr. Ralph Smith is a candidate. Mr. Smith was nominated at a convention held there the other day, and while he is not running as a government candidate, he has prac tically indorsed the government's platform He is reported in the Colonist as stating to the convention with regard to Premier Martin. 'His principles are first class If Joe Martin gets into power and brings forward the principles he has laid down I will support him.' I have a feeling, myself, that Mr. Smith rendered a great service to the country in so ably assisting in bringing about a settlement of the abor trouble here, that the province owes Mr. Smith to be elected by acclamation. Of course, something will depend upon the attitude which Mr. Smith takes toward the government in the near future. If he were to act in a hostile manner we would have to oppose him, and we are assured that in such case there would be a fair chance of bringing about his defeat. Personally, the members of the government do not desire any such contingency to arise, and, in view of Mr. Smith's remarks upon our platform, I do not think it will arise.

"I intend to stand as government candidate in the Rossland riding. Among the electors who support the government plat-form I have reason to believe the feeling is quite unanimous that I should be in the field here. Had the Liberal convention at Vancouver been allowed to express its opinion on the party line question it would undoubtedly have declared for party lines. In such case I informed the Liberal association, during my last visit here, and in no case in the province yet have they put a candidate in the field. couver they simply endorsed Mr. Martin.

The government is not recognizing so cauled independent candidates. It desires in every constituency candidates who not only endorse the government's platform, but are pledged to support the government in carrying its platform into effect. It does not desire to be, when the elections are over, at the mercy of one or more of these independent members, but if it finds that it has not a majority of pledged supporters, it intends to hand over the reins of power to some

"With regard to the refusal of the House at Ottawa to grant a charter to the Kettle river valley railway, it is our intention to see that the line is built under a provincial charter if we are returned to power. Very likely we would build it as a provincial road. I have already got the Grand Forks people, who are deeply in-terested in this matter, to make an application under the tramway act, which will allow them to run within half a mile of the international boundary, and, after 60 days' advertisement in the Official Gazette, we can, by order-in.council. give them the privilege of building a tramway, of course be a standard gauge railway. I have also suggested to them that they acquire the title to the land covering the intervening half mile, and, if they do so, no one can prevent them from laying rails on their own land and running cars over it right up to the international boundary line, and if some American railway company chooses to build its line up to the same point on the international boundary line I don't see how any Canadian can object to its doing so. After that it is only a matter of customs regulations to enable the cars to pass freely to and fro across the boundary line, and I venture to think that the government on either side of the line will not dare to refuse this privilege to Carson or Cascade when they allow it at so many other points on the Canadian frontier. This whole question was fought out years ago by Mr. Martin in Manitoba, and all that are contending for now was then con-

ceded and put in actual practice. It is vital to the progress of the Boun dary country that it have competition if its immense low grade copper ore bodies are to be profitably exploited. Connection with Republic and adjacent camps will also give the smelters at Grand Forks and Greenwood large shipments of ore and corresponding profits. The government, while wishing no ill to the C. P. R., is not going to allow that railway a monop oly that in the end would work as great harm to the company as it would to the

"I may mention that there is great un-

the recent enormous influx of Orientals of January no less than 6,500 of the lat- City Cemetery Open to Grave Objection. ter have landed on our shores and another thousand or more are due, before the 1st of May. Premier Laurier is reported ticularly at the coast.

be pretty solid for us. form."

ROSSLAND LIBERALS.

Regular Weekly Meeting of the Association-New Members.

There was a full meeting of the Liberal

eral party of this riding at Grand Forks reverently. Forks was carried unanimously.

name of Dr. Edward Bowes, who is now by four. Those people who can afford it stumping the country in the Conservative have removed their dead. Those who him a debt of gratitude, and that it could depend upon the total votes in this city, bodies, yet by not doing so at once, every be very appreciatingly shown by allowing one delegate being appointed for each 200 one that can afford to do so will have it and surplus fraction.

Bony Suckling in Town.

Brener Bros., cigar manufacturers of Lon- adequate. Already have the craves sented to him.

Le Roi Buildings to Be Abandoned.

shaft are soon to be abandoned. All the them. that I would be quite willing to stand by ings around the old inclined shaft useless ducted his first funeral here on Saturday the choice of a Liberal convention, but to the mine. The machinery will be re- last. He said to a representative of the as party lines have not been declared for, moved and the buildings, such as cannot Miner that on that occasion be had exthe Liberals are in the position they were be utilized as warehouses, will probably pressed his horror at the awful state of told her mother, during the surgical ex-

Seventy Desks Coming.

of desks for some time, and in eight of of any civilized community. the 11 rooms the scholars have been sitting three at a desk. This has made it incomfortable for them. As soon as the new desks arrive they will be distributed among the rooms, and so relieve the situ ation.

Will Visit Republic.

Mr. Thomas E. Kenny, president of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax; Mr. Alexander Dick and Mr. John M. Smith, manager of the Rossland branch of the Mer Bank, left Saturday for Republic. They go by way of the Boundary country and will visit a number of the noted mining districts on the way. They will be gone about a week, and Republic will look pretty thoroughly over that camp. Mr. Kenny will no doubt have a splendid report to make of this mining district when he returns East.

A Popular Foreman.

A pleasing event occurred at the Hotel Hume last night when William B. Hudson, who recently resigned the position of day mine foreman at the Athabasca mine. was presented with a magnificent gold watch with the compliments and hearty good wishes of the miners employed at the Athabasca. Dr. Arthur, mine physician, occupied the chair. The presentation was made by L. H. Allison, accountant, and William Mitchell, mine boss, who voiced the kindly sentiments entertained by the men toward Mr. Hudson. L. P. Wolfe, C. W. Riley and others spoke during the evening and Mr. Hudson replied in felicitous terms. An hour or two was passed socially before the gathering dispersed.-Nelson Tribune.

The Spell-Binders Return.

Dr. Bowes, Mayor Goodeve, Alexander Sharpe and D. B. Bogle, who went over into the Boundary country to open the campaign for the Hon. Charles H. Mackintosh, returned last night. They all expressed themselves as delighted with the results of their trip and the popularity of the Governor as a candidate in the Boundary country. Big audiences were addressed at Grand Forks, Phoenix, Eholt and Greenwood, and great enthusiasm aroused. Governor Mackintosh, they say, has a large majority in the Boundary now, and nobody can be put up to beat

THE PROTESTANT CEMETERY

and particularly Japanese. Since the 1st The Graves Are Being Desecrated-The The Occurred in Rolf's Sawmill and Stores

The Protestant gravevard between Third are certainly good grounds for thinking so. thrown over another, and over them all

"I expect to hold a public meeting on but the vawning, recking graves are left Wednesday evening in this city, when I wide open, hiding places for the little shall have an opportunity of telling the ones from the neighboring school playing electors about the features of our plat- their games, in what old-fashioned people call God's acre. The danger to health and the risk of limb to the frequenter of what is now a public thoroughfare, can be easily estimated.

There was a full meeting of the Liberal tance, is yet another plot of ground, on sociation last evening at the board of which is buried 67 people. This is at present on fire. Before the fire alarm had actual association last evening at the board of which is buried 67 people. This is at protrade rooms. There was, as last week, ent uncared for, but it is undesecrated. ly been given, the fire brigade of the Inanother large addition to the membership, Both of these plots of ground form what ternational being made aware of the danthe association being now not only very is presumably sarcastically termed the ger, got in readiness and had within a It was decided, after some discussion, of this city having taken care that their walls of the old Bank of Montreal buildduring which the matter was well thresh-ed out, to hold the convention of the Lib-and that the departed are not treated ir-most simultaneously Chief Guthrie sent

the convention which was held in 1898 in e ty never possessed a cemetery of its structure. The efforts of the Internation-Forks was carried unanimously.

Out early this spring, and the city now tially saved and the barber shop was past charges \$5 for each little plot eight feet tially guited. interest, off the roll of the association. cannot, or those who have left the city It was also decided that the election of and know not have their dead treated in lelegates from Rossland to the convention the wav shortly noted above. It is should take place at the next regular meet- thought by the city authorities that though ing of the association. The number will they will eventually have to remove these done at their expense, and so save the city a few hundred dollars, which could

But the present city cometery is also in Mr. A. E. Suckling, representing Messrs. a disgraceful state. The size is utterly indon, Ont., is in the city. He will go east filled the little nook that but barely 20 in a short time. Mr. Suckling, some weeks dry plots could now be found on which ago, severed his connection with the Vancouver Lacrosse club, of which he was for of this swampy spot moves a morass. many years captain, and a complimentary Above it lies another. A grave has but banquet was tendered him by the mem- to be left open for a few hours, except in bers of the club, at which several elegant a few, very few places, to be immediately and handsome pieces of jewelry were pre- filled with water. It will require some considerable expense to have this place drained, but it could be done. In the meanwhile if the bodies are removed from the slope of the hill above, there is at The buildings around the old Le Roi present not sufficient platted space to hold

be made up by the sale of burial lois.

business of the company will be transfer- The clergyman at the English church, red to the new shaft around the Black J. B. Haslam, who has only been resident Bear tunnel. This will render the build- in the city for the past three months, con the Liberals are in the position they were be utilized as waterboxes, while they may bring out candible torn down and removed lower down, the city burial ground. In so doing he dates if they choose, there does not seem where they can be utilized.

| The city burial ground in the place was a said to those present that the place was a long that they can be utilized. veritable swamp. The way to the grave A letter was received Friday by Mr. The wheels of the carriage crushed over trees thrown over as a temporary bridge. O. Lalonde from the school department the top of a ground covered with posts, at Victoria, which stated that 70 tesks some of which were evidently marking had been ordered for the Rossland schools graves. The appearance of the whole and that they should arrive here in about place was nothing but a travesty on what three weeks. There has been a scarcity has been called God's acre, and is unworthy

MANSION HOUSE FUND

Lord Strathcona's Letter Acknowledging

Rossland's Contribution The following letters, which explain themselves, have been received by Mr. W. T. Oliver, the treasurer of the Ross-

land patriotic fund: 17 Victoria St., London, S. W. April 4, 1900. Dear Sir: I duly received your letter of the 14th ult., forwarding, by direction of the committee having the matter in hand, a draft for £300 as a contribution from the citizens of Rossland to the Transvaal

As requested, I had much pleasure in handing the remittance to the Lord Mayor, and I now enclose, in original, an acknowledgement from His Lordship and a formal receipt for the amount. I am,

a formal receipt 101 dear sir, yours faithfully, STRATHCONA. The Mansion House, London.

March 31, 1900.

Dear Lord Strathcona: I have received our Lordship's kind letter enclosing £300 the amount subscribed by the citizens of ssland, British Columbia for the war fund. I shall be glad if you will convey to Mr. W. T. Oliver my grateful thanks and request him to express to all the do-nors my sincere acknowledgments for this manifestation of their sympathy.

I am, yours truly, ALFRED NEWTON; The Transvaal War Fund, Widows au Orphans, Wounded Soldiers, Etc.: Received with thanks, this 31st day of March, 1900, of the Citizens of Rossland, British Columbia, the sum of £300, ap-

propriated as directed. ALFRED J. NEWTON. Lord Mayor, JOHN VOCE MOORE, Treasurer.

Boer Messengers.

Pretoria, April 23--The Boer messengers who arrived in camp this morning were identified as Resu, a solicitor from Bosurg, and Edwards, notorious for his anti-English speech after the Jameson raid. They brought a letter from the Boer gen- literature write eral to the commanding officer. The messengers were escorted to the outposts.

SUNDAY MORNING FIRES.

on Columbia Avenue.

Shortly after 2 a. m. Sunday morning a and Fourth avenues and west of Monte fire broke out in Rolf's sawmill, but for to have said a couple of days ago that Christo street, is in a frightful state of some reason or other, news did not reach the people of British Columbia approved chaos. At one end is a quarry; at anoth- the fire department until the flames had of the Federal government not restricting er the new grade of the railway has cov- gained such headway that they had burst Japanese immigration, but he is certainly laboring under a grave misapprehension, and an early remedy must be provided or white labor will be driven from the province. The determination of the Martin ince. The determination of the Martin hauled into new positions so as to get it was able to reach the scene of the government to do all in its power to discourage Oriental immigration is daily them off the line of Fourth avenue. If conflagration. It was at once perceived gaining it adherents everywhere, and particularly at the coast.

there happens to be a fence around a grave it is more or less respected, if not the impossible, and thus the fire brigade continuous contraction. "In conclusion, I may say that at the bouse or road or trail goes straight over fined its efforts to cutting off the spread coast the conviction is rapidly growing the little mounds and levels them with of the flames from the neighboring piles stronger that the government is going to the ground. A chicken coop is built over of lumber and timber. In this they were win at the ensuing elections, and there one, some building material is partly successful.

Luckily the installation of a new hyare certainly good grounds for thinking so, horses are trampling, men are working if the interior will do its duty there is horses are trampling, men are working habitants of the bridge enabled the interior will do its duty there is horses are trampling, men are working habitants of the surrounding buildings, really no doubt about it, as the coast will and children heedlessly stumbling. private hose over the surfaces exposed to the fire. There being no wind the efforts of the fire brigade was en tirely successful in quelling the flames and confining them to the Rolf mill. The loss will be \$3,500 or perhaps more.

While the fire brigade was still engaged on this conflagration, smoke was seen to be emerging from the windows of Fry's On this spot of ground, belonging part- grocery store, which is now occupied by ly to the city and partly to the railway Lansing & Newman, on Columbia avenue, authorities, are at least 150 graves, and near Spokane street. The contiguous further a'ong the hill side, at a little dis- shops, the B. A. C. barber shop and Sor-Protestant cemetery, the Roman Catholics short time one stream playing upon the one hose cart down the hill, and soon anon May 2. It was tacitly understood at The trouble arises from the fact that the other stream was playing on the burning Rossland, that the next should convene own until last fall. The various under- al fire brigade directed to the roof and the at some point in the Boundary country takers of the city have obtained permission from the mayor and council to bury, were certainly instrumental in preserving the burning building beside it, sion from the mayor and council to bury. at some point in the Boundary country takers of the city have obtained permis- wall of the burning building beside it, er points of that outlying part of the rid- the Protestant dead upon these unholv it from destruction. The five was soon ing desired the present assembly to meet anots, and so the matter rested until a squelched. The loss is considerable, as there, the resolution determining on Grand cemetery was provided. This was staked the stock of the two stores was only par-

A SAD ACCIDENT.

Lilla Garland Was Seriously Injured While Playing Round the No. 1 Hoist.

Saturday afternoon two school chil dren. Lilla Garland, an eleven-year-old girl, and the daughter of Mr. Arthur, limbed the Le Roi hill in search of wild flowers. Wandering round towards the No. 1 mine, Lilla Garland was attracted inside, and, going to the mouth of the open shaft, peeped down over the guard rail. A post hid her from the engineer of the hoist, who just at that moment reversed the gear, sending the cage below. In its descent a bar on the upper end of the skip caught the head of the child between it and the guard rail. The presone ex erted was so great as to force the teeth of the unfortunate girl into the substantial two by four, splitting it.

Lilla Garland was taken to the hospital, Drs. Mackenzie and Kenning being in attendance. It was found, on an examination, and the upper jaw bone was split the bones of the nose disturbed, and Tshaped split ran up into the skull to a point below the eyes, spreading on either side under the orbits along the line of the sutures, forcing them apart upwards of a third of an inch.

The unfortunate child, who is well Kootenay Railway & known in the city and has many friends, gained through her cleverness, vivacity and courage, showed much pluck. She form, but the child bore the pain bravely and, in fact, declares she does not feel

There is a chance of the child's recovery, but several things may supervene that would cause a fatal result.

Lilla Garland is the sister-in-law of the musketry instructor, Sergeant Carroll, who was here last August putting the local corps through its drill, but who has now gone out to South Africa. Mrs. Garland is in charge of the rooms at the Allen restaurant.

A telephone message received at this office from the hospital at 1:30 this morning n answer to numerous inquiries from sympathizing friends of the child, declared her to be resting easily, Lilla's mother being with her.

Mr. R. Alexander has returned from English Point, Christina lake, where he has been fishing for several days past. He reports that the fishing there is excellent and that he greatly enjoyed his outing.



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Le Roi ...... War Eagle ..... Centre Star ... Iron Mask ...: Evening Star ... Monte Christo . I. X. L.... Giant ..... Total .....

Le Roi.—This m working order. Th and shipping is go Some misunderstan date of the recommodused a little delay but since Thursday nection has been smoothly. The gen the special experien the average wages, ter skilled than oth efit of their knowle a high figure for the mine is concern employed pays it, f are being paid, ye done in less time t tofore. Surface wo The grading for t be completed in a foundations for to and machinery wi combination shaft the level of the 1 has attained a hei Work is now con to run down and should be through six weeks. On th hattery of three from Fraser & Cha ing put in place. was ordered from

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