

TAYLOR A WINNER

Labor Forces Get Next to Joseph Martin.

WITH THEM BUT NOT FOR THEM

Leading Labor Men Are Against the Martin Combination—Those Labor Backed by the Organized Labor Vote—His Honest Stand on Progressive Issues.

It is obvious that J. J. Langstaff, of the Topic, is not a union man, nor connected with any labor organization. He says the union organizations are solid for Joe. Martin and W. M. Lawrence. The editor of this rag belongs to two labor organizations in Revelstoke, and at a meeting which he recently attended there at least 75 per cent. of the members were in favor of supporting Thos. Taylor. The railway unions are almost unanimous in their choice—Thos. Taylor. A few others, known as "ideal" socialists, have absolutely refused to vote for either party, thus disfranchising themselves into a purely socialist candidate is placed in the field. Joe. Martin helped his brother in Winnipeg to down, (without avail) A. W. Puteo, one of Canada's best labor advocates. John Thomson, a labor agitator in Revelstoke, is bitterly opposed to Joe. Martin. Tom Foster and Ralph Smith, two prominent and ardent labor men, are opposing Joe. Martin. Bob Green, the mine's stand-by, is independent of Joseph. The EAGLE would have liked to support Joseph Martin and his platform, but better posted labor advocates say "Joe Martin is with us but not for us." This being the case, and knowing Thos. Taylor as we do, the EAGLE is justified in helping to elect him. Either of the party platforms are "progressive" and it now remains to choose the most honest. A straw poll shows "Which way the wind blows, and when we see the above contingent of labor men backing Joseph Martin, we hardly fail to think. There is no choice. W. M. Lawrence is a legitimate candidate. Thos. Taylor is not. Tom has pledged himself to the Westminster platform and he certainly will adhere to his word, regardless of party. The Topic can ring in no "hands" on the electors here on this proposition.

HAS LOST ITS USEFULNESS.

D. L. Clink Says the Topic's Reputation Can Not be Lowered.

D. L. Clink of Trout Lake has the following letter in the last issue of the Topic:

To the editor of the Topic: Sir: In your two last issues you stated that the Taylor party was on its last legs. The votes which will be polled on the 9th of June will prove your paper to be one of the most unreliable sources ever published in British Columbia. Unless a newspaper establishes a reputation for veracity it is of very little use to any party or to any community. Take Trout Lake, Thompson Landing and Ferguson and there is not a man in British Columbia that can poll twenty-five per cent. of the votes against Mr. Taylor.

D. L. CLINK.

The Topic replies thus: Mr. Clink convicts the Topic of untruthfulness before he knows the result of the election. This is something like the method in vogue years ago of hanging a man first and trying him afterward. The above letter, though, is characteristic of Mr. Clink's peculiar bent of mind.

D. L. Clink says the Topic's reply is very transparent. What it would like to do is to have a free hand in spreading its false statements about Mr. Taylor, till after the 9th of June, in the hope that they will have an effect in other districts of the riding. However over-the-top the Topic is against these assertions may be on that date the Topic's reputation can not be perceptibly lowered in its own district.

HALCYON SANITARIUM NOTES.

Tom Taylor of Trout Lake, was at Halcyon Hot Springs last Saturday on electioneering business.

John McCartney of Trout Lake, has considerably benefited from blizzard at the Hot Springs.

As showing the earliness of the season law-making has commenced at Halcyon Hot Springs this week, a magnificent fish dinner having been laid under the sticks to make hay.

A beautiful specimen of the black bear was killed at Halcyon Hot Springs last Saturday. It was killed at the entrance to the Lodge falls.

One of the angling parties at Halcyon Hot Springs had a very successful haul on Monday. One magnificent trout was caught by Miss Mabel Husband which weighed 54 pounds, while P. H. Large landed one at 3 pounds.

A short descriptive article of Halcyon Hot Springs will appear in the next issue of the EAGLE.

BETTER THAN MARTIN'S PROMISES.

Speaking of the eight-hour law at Revelstoke Chas. Wilson said that so far as he was concerned the present eight-hour enactment would stand until all the parties interested asked either for its repeal or modification. He and his party were prepared to stand by the plank in their platform, fairly, honestly and consistently.

WHO ARE MARTIN'S FRIENDS?

The Liberals Disown Him, A Socialist He Is Not, and the Labor Leaders are Against Him.

The Victoria Times, Liberal, says: The followers of the Premier are displeased with the Liberals who do not see all the statesmanlike virtues of Hon. Joseph Martin as so plainly apparent to them. They have been confronted with the statement of the Premier himself that he endeavored to form an alliance with Mr. Dunsmyth, that he tried to induce some prominent Conservatives to enter his cabinet, and that it was only as a last resort that he turned round and decided to form a Liberal government. These are not our statements, but the facts as narrated by Mr. Martin himself. It was only after all overtures had been rejected from other quarters that an application was made for the summoning of a Liberal convention for the purpose of pronouncing upon the question of selecting Mr. Martin as the leader of a provincial Liberal party.

100 Ft. Tunnel on the Empire Group.

R. Leekie-Ewing is calling for sealed tenders up to June 1st for the driving of a hundred ft. tunnel, 54 ft. high, 4 ft. wide, on the Negramine, one of the claims in the Empire group, situated on Cariboo creek. Six men must be employed on the contract. Supplies are already up at the Empire cabin. This valuable group was sold to the present owners last year for \$30,000 cash. The Leekie-Ewing brothers are now erecting a residence in town. They will leave for the Empire any time after the 1st of June.

Good Showing on the Annie F.

Walter Phelan, N. E. Lay and R. McCutcheon arrived home on Wednesday from Tenderfoot creek, where they have been doing assessment work on the Annie F., a claim owned by Phelan and Lay, and report it looking fine. They found a cross ledge about 5 ft. in width crossing the main lead. The Annie F. is an extension of the John L., which is bonded to an English syndicate for \$32,000.

A Force of Men on the Silver Leaf.

J. W. Westfall was in town on Thursday morning on his way to the Silver Leaf. A force of men were hired in Ferguson, with Alex. Brown as foreman. They all left the same day with their packs to begin work. Additional supplies will be sent up on pack horses in a few days.

More Men on the Rob Roy.

An additional force of men will be put to work on the Rob Roy this week. There are no miners left in town. Supplies will go up next week, as the road between here and the Rob Roy is now clear. Some important developments will take place in this property before many weeks.

The Banff.

J. Atkinson came down from doing assessment work on his claim, the Banff, on Wednesday. The Banff is located about two miles up the mountain just back of Ferguson. Mr. Atkinson reports the snow going very fast.

Supplies for the Nettie L.

Pack horses are now taking supplies up to the Nettie L. More men will be put on in a few days. The good work goes merrily on.

IS WEIGHED AND FOUND WANTING

The Evidence of Liberals, Labor Men and Socialists Proves Martin's Insincerity and Untrustworthiness.

WOULD JOIN ANY OLD COMBINATION TO HAVE HIS OWN WAY

The Electors Are Dead Leary of a Leader Who Fights With His Face But Goes Back on Even a Written Agreement.—Joseph Martin is Neither a Liberal, Conservative, Socialist, Labor Nor Any Other Representative; Just "Joseph Martin."—A Damp Nuisance to Any Organization.—W. M. Lawrence Would Be Another Tool in His Hands.—But the Judge, the People, Will Lay Him Low.

The Topic, commenting on a letter written by President Shaughnessy says: "The only possible construction that can be placed on this communication is that the C. P. B. intend to await the placing of a stable government at the head of affairs in British Columbia, no matter whether it is Liberal or Conservative, before contesting the free coinage question. The EAGLE entirely agrees with this portion of its comment. But it cannot agree with what follows as to Joseph Martin being the leader of a stable government. Should Mr. Martin stand at the head of affairs after the election of Mr. Shaughnessy and other capitalists have confidence in the stability of the government of our province? Would Mr. Martin work in harmony with his colleagues? Or would he be a tool in the hands of the late Greenway government; thirty seven out of the thirty eight members of the B. C. Legislature; the Hon. Mr. Feters, late Liberal premier of P.E.I., but now of Victoria, Mr. E. C. Ralph Smith, secretary of a miner's union and president of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, as well as many other labor leaders. All testify that Mr. Martin is a man that cannot be trusted, and is not a fit and proper person to be a member of any cabinet, much less the leader of it. These witnesses all know Mr. Martin thoroughly. They are not talking in hearsay."

Mr. Laurier cannot even now, and at long range, countenance Mr. Martin in any way, and what is more he says that Mr. Martin very well knows the reason why.

Mr. Greenway says: "He is a man who has no heart or conscience."

J. M. Kelle, our present member, while trying to force through important legislation for this district, was Mr. Kelle asserts that Mr. Martin is a man who will not stand by a solemn pledge; a man who will not abide by a written agreement over his own signature.

The Hon. Mr. Peters denounces Mr. Martin as an enemy of constitutional government, one who has discouraged capital and settlers, and as a rash impetuous man.

Ralph Smith says: "I supported the Semlin government because they endeavored to bring in legislation which in my opinion was favorable to the masses, and I differed from Mr. Martin because he opposed such legislation and made a contract with the enemy to burst up such a government. When I disagree with a man for such good reasons I am not prepared to allow the announcement of certain theories to affect me in his favor, although I may agree with the theories themselves, and as I say, he joined hands with the political enemy and destroyed what we considered important."

The editor of the Topic, two months ago, was so disgusted with Mr. Martin's action in the local house that he wished to get rid of him there and proposed to give him the position of a pack puncher, but on second thought, as "blood is thicker than water" Mr. Langstaff decided it would be an injustice to the masses, and forthwith abandoned the idea. But it is only fair to state that this witness has recently been converted, though as yet he has failed to enlighten the public as to the cause of his conversion.

Now there is no jury in the British Dominion but would conclude, before one third of these witnesses were called, that Mr. Martin would be a failure by the way which he is following, therefore decide against him. In order to do Mr. Martin full justice the EAGLE has only quoted from members of his own party. All are Liberals. A party, by the way which he is following more to demoralize than any other man in Canada.

The EAGLE would suggest that we

Second Rich Showing on the Revenge.

L. Wisener and Arthur Evans returned from Sable creek, a tributary of Fish creek, on Sunday. They have been doing work on the Revenge, but snow prevented them from getting to the Chamberlain. In the course of their assessment and prospect work the boys discovered a second rich lead, containing at least a foot of high-grade galena ore, about 250 feet further up the hill than where they did work last fall. Though the prospects were very bright in the long run old find the owners will now prosecute work on the new find, fine samples of which they brought to town with them for assay. Several other claim holders in that vicinity feel the crying need for a trail just now. They would be willing to build one at half its worth, if the government would only assist them. The Double Eagle Mining Co., is also interested in that locality, owing to the Trilly group, thought by many to be one of the best prospects in the district. There is ample evidence that a trail is required and no time should be lost in having one constructed.

MIDNIGHT RUSH TO GOAT CREEK.

Pure Native Copper Discovered. Almost in Town.

Possibly one of the richest and most important discoveries ever made in this camp was staked on Sunday last by Messrs. P. and A. Ferguson. The location is a little over a mile back of Ferguson on Goat creek, practically in town. It has been walked over for years and thought by trespassers to be only float from some unknown but oft sought for place up the hill. Only the other day Gordon McLennan and John McTaggart were up and put a shot into the stuff, but failed to find a lead and of course did not staking. Not so with the Ferguson brothers. They were out for a Sunday stroll and just fell onto it, secured samples containing 30 per cent. of pure native copper and drove their stakes. When the news of the find became known late Sunday evening there was a whirl of excitement. At 3 o'clock on Monday morning, perhaps before the town of Ferguson in most part, were away to the scene of native copper, which is just west and join in the rush for native copper. The EAGLE having come to press a day earlier than usual this week, later reports are not available. In fact we may suggest publication for a week or two to a better find than a gold mine. The EAGLE will jump to the front more rapidly than ever. If not, the excitement was exhilarating at any rate.

BRAND NEW MACHINE WANTED.

A good machine has no useless parts. It may be complicated; it may even have parts that are seldom used; but its maker has built the simplest machine that would do the required work, putting in it to nothing to clog it or add to its cost. In government, however, we have a different system. Our system is needlessly and wastefully complex. New parts are added without any careful consideration of their effect on the effect on the rest of the system; and when one of the older organs comes into disfavor we let it run on unchanged and invent a new organ to help it out in its work. As a result we have a system that is exceedingly complex—whose real absurdity we do not see only because we are so used to existence and to the way in which it has been built up.

LARDEAU'S BOIN-KICKERS.

After a good practice game on Sunday afternoon the following team was picked to uphold the honor of the "Lardeau Boin-Kickers" at Silverton on the 24th May. They was also a challenge from Revelstoke, but the Silverton challenge had been accepted before the telegram was received, but the boys hope to meet Revelstoke at some future date and trust that they will appreciate their position. Goal, Ball; backs, Langstaff, Regan; half backs, Higginson, Holten, Cunniff; forwards, Ball, Evans, Livingston, Foot, Calmley, referees, A. J. Gordian.

A GOOD MOVE.

Anlay Morrison has just been informed by the acting minister of the Interior as to his efforts on behalf of British Columbia settlers on Dominion lands have been successful. In future, homesteads shall be free, the charge of \$1 an acre being done away with. Those homesteaders who have not paid will be exempt.

RAILWAY WANTED.

Delay in Construction is Becoming Wearisome

This district is rapidly forging ahead and gives promise of becoming one of the largest producers of mineral in the province. The indications are that a large amount of capital will be invested in the Lardeau and Trout Lake district during the coming summer. With transportation facilities, a large amount of ore will be shipped. Many companies during the past year have thoroughly explored their mines, and have considerably shipping ore on the dump, all of which bespeak a prosperous season for the year. The Lardeau district has promising mines and shipping ore which has to be handled many times before it reaches its destination. It is plain to be seen that railway transportation is needed.

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THE WHITE METAL.

Silver may never again sell at \$1.00 per ounce, but the future of this democratic metal is certainly good. The tremendous and rapid industrial and political changes just commencing in China, Japan and Asia generally will cause a great demand for silver.

The following is an indication of the coming demand for silver: China continues this year to take large quantities of silver, the shipments showing, thus far, a heavy advance over last year.

Some part of the increase in shipments to China is due to active trade, and a large part probably to expenditures by foreign nations for railroad and other work, the maintenance of troops and similar expenses.

Whether any more purchases of this kind will be made depends very much upon the extent of the famine payments required. No purchases will be made if the government can avoid it.

This large eastern demand has tended to keep the price of silver steady this year, and it has shown only slight variations. At current prices, shipments to the east this year represent about 12,000,000 fine ounces of silver, which is over 50 per cent more than in the United States.

In addition to the London shipments, China took during the two months \$1,458,482 in silver direct from San Francisco, making the total sent to the east about 14,458,000 fine ounces of silver.

A GREAT GOLD REEF.

The fact that the fate of the greatest aggregation of gold mine and gold mining machinery in the whole world is in doubt, though perhaps not much spoken of, staggers the English mind and confounds the capacity of all nations which have interests at stake in the Transvaal.

Perhaps few realize that the Rand mines extend for a stretch of 60 miles. Along these great rows of mines are seemingly endless mills, with their thundering crushers and huge derricks. The whole is a scene of busy activity, with buildings where thousands of negro workers live.

Out of these vast caverns come more than one-quarter of all the gold mined on the planet. The gold production is about \$6,000,000 a year more than all America. They produce 2,000,000 a year more than all the gold strands of Australia.

world, all in the frantic search for gold. Only as far back as 1887 the Rand yielded but \$400,000. Since then the wealth-vomiting shafts have emptied more than \$80,000,000, and each year the stream grows. But for the war now in progress the last year would have seen almost incredible masses of gold brought to the surface, and the dreams of Raleigh would have been quite discarded.

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"It's no use," exclaimed Willie Washington, "I never can learn to say the right thing at the right time. I told Miss Slimming that her eyes looked like me like stars above." "That's old, but pretty," answered Miss Cayenne. "Yes, but she is one of those remarkably tall girls who resent any reference to their height."

It is always a risky thing to have a general conclusion on a particular instance. A man was bitten by a rattlesnake down south, drank a bottle of brandy and came through all right. Next day a man in Boston won a bet of \$5 by drinking a quart of whiskey in two minutes. He died. In one case the liquor saved a life and in the other destroyed one.

Where the mean pressure on the piston of a steam engine is equal to the weight of the water in the cylinder, the specific gravity of pure iron is 7.84. Pure iron is rarely seen and is a chemical curiosity; it is white with a brilliant lustre. Ordinary merchantable iron has a specific gravity of about 7.8.

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New Denver Ledger

Whales are not fish. The same may be said of many kinds of suckers.

In an editorial the Minneapolis Journal cries aloud for a square deal. The editor of that paper must have had a cold storage deck served to him recently.

Fires still run in threes. P. Burns & Co., the meat kings, have been touched by the fire fiend three times within a month. The firm still has prime roasts for sale.

The amateur drama comes high occasionally. A local company put on a play in Sandon last Thursday evening. Six hours later the city quit loser over \$200,000. It was a Bitter Attonement.

On the coast the little brown Japs seem to be cutting most of the wood for the canneries. In a few years the Jap will probably be running for the legislature in this province. If our stock of Imperial reasons keep on increasing he may even reach Ottawa.

A parson in the east prayed for lightning to strike a brewery in his town, and the event recently occurred. Years ago a parson in New Denver prayed for rain, and it has rained more or less ever since. We have often prayed for our delinquent subscribers to dig up, and many have never dug. We wish this parson who knocked out the brewery would take them in hand. We would divide the results with him.

At a recent meeting in London of barons, dukes and other fellows Mark Twain rose up and said that he was going back to the States and run for the presidency because there were not enough of candidates in the field. The pot-bellied crowd roared and thought this remark was wonderfully—devalah, you know. If Mark has any sense of humor

left he must have been muchly elated at the joke of springing such a joke and having it called across the briny. Great is the appreciation of the titled, especially when they are loaded with beer and plum pudding.

If the miners of the west would band together and work mines upon their own account, there would be no occasion for strikes, and the howl for capital would be reduced to a stage whisper. But then they will not do it. Half of them would rather have a boss and hit the drill for eight long hours in order that they can keep the sheriff out of the gin mills. The miner is selfish. He wants to do all the work while the fat capitalist and others who live upon his labor are suffering for lack of exercise. This not right. Divide up the work and let the idlers fat change into sweat on their brows.

A correspondent, writing from the mountains of Virginia, where he has been prospecting and mining during the winter months, thus describes mining conditions in his vicinity: "If any one ever says mining in Virginia to me again, after I get out of this cursed hole, I will brain him on the spot! Mud and rain, and fog, and Arisosa coffee, and sow belly, and soda biscuit, and rotten apple brandy, and the most infernal liars on earth."

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