

A CHANCE TO ADVERTISE OUR MINES.

The California press association is to visit the people of this city to score a point. California is a state where there is a great deal of accumulated wealth.

What we have in mind is that the visiting newspaper men should be given an object lesson as to the richness and extent of our places and quarries mines, and that each one of them should carry home with him a neat compendium of information regarding our wealth of precious metals.

A QUESTION DISPOSED OF.

It is quite evident that there will be no reciprocity treaty with the United States this year. We do not know that this is wholly a matter of regret.

Each particular mine is described in detail, as to the manner of working, the money expended, the machinery in use, and every other particular which can be learned by patient search and investigation.

This is but one of the means employed by the British Columbia bureau to bring about the development of the mineral resources of that province.

THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer is very greatly impressed with the value of our provincial department of something similar in connection with the Federal cabinet.

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA LEGISLATURE.

The British Columbia legislature is not the first body that has wrestled with what is called "the mortgage tax."

It is said that the forthcoming election in Champlain, Quebec, may very likely settle the Manitoba question, for if such a strong Conservative constituency shall decide to sustain the Ministry, it may be taken for granted that Quebec wants to hear no more of this issue.

Some pressure is being brought to bear upon the Dominion government to extend the Intercolonial Railway from Lewis to Montreal.

Hon. Mr. Tupper very satisfactorily answered Mr. Semlin's protest against the omission of any redistribution bill from the government programme for the session.

The president of the council announced yesterday that it is the intention of the government to ask the house to make the taking out of miners' licenses optional with employees in mines, and to make new provisions as to the license fees payable by mining companies.

According to the Inland Sentinel the Colonist "unblushingly gives utterance to self-evident falsehoods," and it proceeds to add the pleasant assurance that "this is a course we cannot but deplore."

The esteemed Times does not like the Speech. If the Times did like the Speech, Othello's occupation would be gone.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

"The sooner are all in, sir," Weyler (grinning) discovered the whereabouts of the Cuban army. "Obediently, No, sir," Weyler (forlornly) "Thank God!" Judge.

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LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

A published interview credits Mr. Semlin with being motion paper. He has a grievance, or thinks he has, and he makes a political issue of it.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by a simple missionary the formula of a simple permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all throat and Lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested his wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, he felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows.

ONLY EXPORT TRADE.

The Central Lumber Co., which controls mills in the states of California, Oregon, Washington, and the province of British Columbia, is default, but out of its last articles, or rather will probably arise, another trust embracing only the large territory, differing only from the old concern in that it will confine itself to export trade.

KIDNEY PAIN.

John Seel of Wingham, Ont., was in a Measlestron of Pain and Agony From Dis-ease of the Kidneys—South American Kidney Cure was recommended by these cuts.

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THE MASSEY-HARRIS BICYCLE.

Advertisement for Massey-Harris bicycle, featuring 'The Wheel with the Silver Ribbon Name Plate' and 'Only One Grade, and that the Highest'.

Advertisement for Boys' 2-piece suits, 'Half Price' at B. Williams & Co., Hatters and Clothiers, 97 Johnson Street.

Advertisement for Granby Rubbers, 'Don't Draw the Feet They Fit the Boot'.

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NELSON & NORTH.

Salmon River Country V More attention Than Ever Before.

Splendid Samples of Ore British Canadian Gold Co's Properties.

Some very pretty sample were received yesterday from district by the British-Columbia Fields Company.

Several English and Canadian companies are also interested in doubling its capacity and running in a branch line from City, connecting with Nelson.

It is no wonder that rubbers, which are not the same shape as the boot, should be uncomfortable. It costs more to employ skilled pattern makers but the result is a satisfactory fit.

There are a few little differences in legislative routine between the practice of our provincial assembly and that of some of the others.

The mover and seconder of the address in reply to the speech from the throne made capital speeches.

ABERDEEN'S INFLUENCE. MONTREAL, Feb. 9.—(Special) Five thousand to the race was a poned owing to the not, who It will come off to-morrow.