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Canadian Lead Industry.

The mining of Canadian lead has grown into an important industry. The production in 1900 amounted to 60,000 tons of silver lead ore, containing silver to the value of \$2,295,000, and about 30,000 tons of metallic lead, of the value of \$2,690,577. The total production for all years to date has been \$20,000,000.

At the beginning of this year it was estimated that an output of more than 100,000 tons of ore, containing 50,000 tons of lead, would be reached in 1901. Those who expected this will be greatly disappointed. The bulk of all of this class of ores hitherto mined in British Columbia has been smelted in the United States, and the portion of it that has been smelted in Canada has also gone to the United States to be refined. At the beginning of 1901 the American Smelting and Refining company gave notice that it had withdrawn from the British Columbia market, and that until further notice it would make no contracts for the treatment of British Columbia ores. The capacity of the smelters in operation in British Columbia, and of the independent smelters in the United States is totally inadequate to treat the normal output of British Columbia mines. Many of them have in consequence closed down, and others have lessened their output.

It is still possible to have ore smelted in Canada and refined in the United States, but the refining charge has been greatly increased. Moreover, there is no tendency observable toward increasing the smelting capacity in the districts now suffering, nor is there likely to be while the danger of the imposition of excessive rates for refining continues.

Representations have been made to the Dominion government that, for the relief of the distress at present existing, the surest and best remedy is the establishment, in some accessible situation within Canada, of a lead refinery. The establishment and successful operation of such a refinery would require the employment of a large amount of capital, and the investment would be exposed to the danger of destructive competition from the American trust whenever it chose to re-open its works to Canadian lead. It is therefore asked that the Dominion government grant a bounty, to be paid for a term of five years, at the rate of \$5 per ton upon pig lead, the product of ores smelted and refined in Canada. It is also submitted that the transfer to Canada of the industry of working up as far as possible the stock of raw lead into manufactured forms, and the opening of an outlet through Canadian channels to the world's market for the whole of the product is a matter of importance to the Dominion; that the production of silver and lead in British Columbia is capable of great expansion; that the employment to labor afforded will attract to the mining districts a large population, and that in all respects the development liable to follow the removal of the obstacles that now retard the industry will amply repay for the proposed assistance.—New York Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter.

Leather Novelties.

Rich reddish brown leather pocket-books are handsomely mounted in gold.

A new finish in fine leather, such as shown in cardcases and similar goods, includes a marbled effect in gray and some other colors.

The single pearl, diamond or turquoise button for the flap of the finger purse and pocketbook continues to be a dainty and elegant fashion which has not destroyed itself by becoming too popular.

Jewelling of leather wares employs about the same stones as heretofore, with baroque pearls in high favor. An enamelled portrait medallion encircled with pearls is one of the rarest novelties of a cardcase.

Heavy silver embossed work, delicate open traceries in silver or gold, huge monograms that sprawl nearly across one side of the case or pocketbook and plain, bright silver designs represent some of the ornaments modelled in cardcases or pocketbooks.—Jewelers' Circular-Weekly.