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MINING DEVELOPMENT.

The year 1894 has been remarkable as the one in which more advancement in mining has been made in British Columbia than during any year of the past, says the *Inland Sentinel*. What were but prospects in the Kootenay have become mines, and ore is being shipped regularly and in large quantities. In Southern Kootenay both quartz and hydraulic claims have been developed, while the quartz claims of the south Okanagan have become producers. Several of the hydraulics are working successfully in the Fraser river valley, while others have been put in order for next season's work. Preparations have been made for dredging the Fraser and Thompson rivers, and these plants will be in operation early in 1894, if not before this year has expired. Work has also been done in Big Bend and Similkameen, and the Kamloops district has not been behind with a shipment made of silver ore from the Homestake, and the Glen Iron mine is likely to resume. Next year will probably see the output of precious minerals from this Province almost, if not quite, equal to the largest yield recorded. It seems quite apparent that the second era of British Columbia prosperity is just commencing.

We have many a time heard of the mountains of marble which awaited development on Nootka Sound, and small specimens were long since sent down here to show its fine colors and other qualities; but it is only now that one knows actually what there is in that country, the steamer Maude having brought in some specimens of blue granite, which is said to work well and is in other ways likely to commend itself. So much for the marble on

the Island of Vancouver, of which there are many varieties. Then, as for mineral, a considerable quantity of ore from the King Solomon and Golden Eagle mines at Alberni has recently been forwarded for treatment to the Tacoma smelter, while the miners up there are said to be most enthusiastic as to their prospects.

Coal is said to have been discovered in considerable quantity on the townsite of Vancouver, where numerous prospectors are boring for this important deposit. We are glad, in this connection, to note that large shipments of British Columbia coal are finding their way to neighboring American cities, the new tariff bill allowing it to be placed there in competition with the native product, to which we may remark that in quality it is superior. We ought to be able to do considerable with our native iron; but the course of the City Council upon a recent occasion has been such as to seriously delay, if not altogether prevent, the establishment of smelting works in Victoria, while Vancouver has decided at any rate for the present against bonusing the enterprise. But something must be done; we cannot expect outsiders to take hold of what we may term our national industries unless we encourage them. Gold, iron, marble and coal; we have lots of them. Why should we not turn them to greater advantage than we are now doing?

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DOMINION ELECTIONS.

TO VOTERS.

Notaries Public will be stationed during the week at the places and between the hours following for the purpose of taking the qualifying declarations of any persons desiring to be registered:

Daily from 8 to 6 p.m. In the office between Morris Tobacco Store and the Colonist office.

JAMES BAY.

At store of Mr. John Richards cor. Michigan and Menzies streets' Saturday, 6th Oct., from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

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