

Mining Throughout British Columbia

Receipts and Shipments at Trail—Government Plans to Aid Mining Development.

Following are ore receipts at the Consolidated smelter at Trail for the week ending February 10th, 1916:—

East Kootenay.		
	Week.	Year.
Sullivan	1,550	6,008
St. Eugene	59
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	1,550	6,067
Lardeau.		
Bonanza	48
Nelson and Ymir.		
Emerald	43	221
Queen	65
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	43	286
Rossland.		
Centre Star	2,635	19,744
Le Roi	2,353	13,406
Le Roi, No. 2.....	487	1,353
Velvet	33
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Total	568	3,201

Slocan and Ainsworth.		
	Week.	Year.
Apex	26
Black Prince	28
Blue Bell	188	853
Cork-Province .....	..	6
Enterprise	29	29
Florence .....	..	180
Galena Farm .....	..	163
Hewitt .....	..	79
Highland .....	..	36
Martin .....	..	30
Meteor .....	..	15
Noonday	32	61
No. 1	151	595
Rambler-Cariboo	64
Reco	39	39
Ruth	40	78
Slocan Star	89	263
Standard	756
Yakima	22
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Bonanza	145
Bonanza (Rossburg)	48	48
Centre Star	2,635	19,744
Comstock	13
Cork-Province	6
Emerald	43	2,210
Enterprise	29	29
Florence	180
Galena Farm	163
Hewitt	79

	Week.	Year.
Highland .....	..	36
Iron Mask .....	..	190
Knob Hill .....	..	250
Lanark	32	32
Le Roi	2,353	13,406
Le Roi, No. 2.....	487	1,353
Lead Queen .....	..	48
Martin .....	..	30
Meteor .....	..	15
Monarch .....	..	17
No. 1	151	595
Noonday	32	61
Queen .....	..	65
Rambler-Cariboo .....	..	64
Reco	39	39
Ruth	40	78
Sally .....	..	30
Slocan Star	89	263
Standard .....	..	756
St. Eugene .....	..	59
Sullivan	1,550	6,008
United Copper	323	1,168
Utica	84
Velvet	33
Yakima	22
Yellow Jacket	52
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Totals	8,039	48,388

—The Trail News.

The Hon. Lorne A. Campbell, Minister of Mines, Victoria, gave out an interview in the Spokane Spokesman-Review, outlining a programme for mining development in British Columbia. He said in part:

"Our province has during the last few years been interested mainly in land and timber, with the result that the further opening up of mining properties has been badly neglected. We desire to turn the attention of capital to mining, not as a gamble, but as a commercial investment. Many of our large operating companies have during the last eight or ten years accumulated profits to such an extent that they were able to expand and open up new properties in other sections.

"This movement we desire to expand. With a view to encouraging the opening up of new areas of mineral bearing ground we shall endeavor to bring back the old prospector, who seems to have disappeared. If we fail in this, we shall take up with the big operating companies the matter of putting more engineers in the field.

"We shall co-operate with the Dominion Government in geological survey work and increase our own field force. We will continue to give aid in the making of trunk trails, roads, bridges and ferries required for the transportation of pay ore, but before such work is undertaken, to avoid the mistakes made in the past, the department will have an examination and report made on the prospects to be so aided.

"We shall also continue to supply free miners' information as to the probable value of ore submitted by them and the most economical methods of marketing the same. We shall also furnish free estimates of the cost of installing plants and information as to where the machinery can best be obtained.

"Besides the annual report covering the whole province, just as soon as field work in any section is completed, we shall issue bulletins and sketch maps which will be distributed through all government offices to those wishing information about the district or desirous of prospecting it."