

Mining Throughout British Columbia

Shipments and Receipts at Trail—Mineral Output of the Interior for the First Ten Months of Year—Granby Output for the Quarter—Earnings of Standard Silver-Lead.

A shipment of 33 tons, being the first of the year, was received at Trail smelter from the Lucky Thought mine in the Slocan.

Receipts and shipments for the week ending November 13, and for the year to date, are as follows:—

Rossland.		
Centre Star	3,395	189,726
Le Roi	2,370	135,593
Le Roi No. 2	613	14,782
Other mines		62
Total	6,378	340,163
Nelson.		
Queen	29	931
Second Relief	16	127
Other mines		1,818
Total	45	2,876
Slocan and Ainsworth.		
Standard	336	5,953
Hewitt	31	964
No. 1	44	5,705
Lucky Thought	33	33
Cork Province	38	888
Bluebell	98	898
Black Prince	23	23
Other mines		1,747
Total	603	16,211
Lardeau.		
Silver Cup	20	102
Other mines		63
Total	20	165
East Kootenay.		
Sullivan	959	26,687
Other mines		387
Total	959	27,074
Consolidated Mines.		
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Cork Province	38	888
No. 1	44	5,705
Sullivan	959	26,687
Iron Mask	84	1,331
Ben Hur	298	13,517
Knob Hill	39	2,394
San Poil	43	1,831
United Copper	140	3,781
Conjection	7	7
Second Relief	16	127
Queen	29	931
Black Prince	23	23
Silver Cup	20	102
Other mines		14,112
Total	8,615	419,385

—Nelson News.

The Nelson News reviews the year to date in mining in the Interior as follows:—

For the 10 months of 1915, ore receipts at the Consolidated Company's smelter at Trail were 399,070 tons, compared with 325,631 tons during the same period of 1914.

An increase of approximately 90,000 in the shipments from the Rossland gold-copper mines is the reason for the heavy gain in tonnage. With the exception of shipments from the Le Roi No. 2 mine (a dividend-paying company, whose stock is held largely in England), the Rossland ore output is from the War Eagle, Centre Star and Le Roi mines, properties which made the camp famous in the boom days, and which have now been developed to a great depth and which have huge supplies of ore in reserve.

Rossland shipments for the 10 months of 1915 were 325,370 tons, compared with 235,319 tons in the same period of 1914.

Nelson District shipments have decreased, largely owing to the closing down of the Silver King mine. The total for the 10 months of this year is 2,788 tons, against 18,788 tons in 1914.

East Kootenay shipments this year are 25,225 tons, against 28,020 tons in 1914; and the Slocan and Ainsworth output is 18,640 tons this year, against 27,571 tons for the 10 months of 1914.

None of the figures given includes mill tonnage, which does not appear in smelter returns, but which adds very materially to the ore production total and represents considerable quantity of either gold bullion or silver-lead or zinc concentrates.

While there is a decrease in the Nelson, Slocan, Ainsworth and East Kootenay districts, it is due to conditions in the early part of 1915 rather than to the present situation. Several properties, which were producing little ore in the early months of the year, are now running at full blast. Such mines as the Bluebell at Riondel, the Granite-Poorman at Nelson, and the Standard at Silverton, have resumed milling operations and shipments of concentrates during recent months. If the present state of production is maintained there is reason for believing that the output of the last six months of 1915 will exceed that for the same period of 1914. The Rossland output, however, insures that the total smelter receipts for West Kootenay will be the greatest on record.

Granby Consolidated's first quarterly report, covering the operations of its smelters at Grand Forks and Anyox for the period ended September, shows that 521,252 tons of ore were treated, from which there were produced 12,057,385 pounds of copper, 177,610 ounces of silver, and 14,849 ounces of gold.

The average cost of making copper, after deducting gold and silver values, was 7.939 cents per pound at Anyox and 10.91 cents at Grand Forks.

The financial statement gives the following detailed figures:—

Gross Income	\$2,310,262
Expenses and Interest	1,823,827
Surplus	486,436
Dividends	224,978
Bond Interest accrued	55,248
Surplus	206,210

Included in the gross income is 8,385,100 pounds of unsold copper at 15½ cents, New York. At date of issue, 60 per cent. of this amount was realized at 17½ cents.

The net earnings of the Standard Silver-Lead Mining Company, which owns and operates the Standard mine and mill at Silverton, B. C., for September were \$88,057, according to the official report of the company, issued a few days ago. The balance on September 1 was \$186,722, from which the \$50,000 dividend paid September 10 was deducted, leaving \$224,779 on hand September 30.