# BRITISH COLUMBIA

#### The Mineral Province of Western Canada

Has produced Minerals valued as follows: Placer Gold, \$74,039,603; Lode Gold, \$86,763,450; Silver \$39,298,273; Lead, \$33,407,662; Copper, \$96,774,870; Other Metals (Zinc, Iron, etc.), \$3,659,473; Coal and Coke, \$156,928,640; Building Stone, Brick, Cement, etc., \$25,398,282; making its Mineral Production to the end of 1915 show an

### Aggregate Value of \$516,270,253

The substantial progress of the Mining Industry of this Province is strikingly exhibited in the following figures, which show the value of production for successive five-year periods: For all years to 1894, inclusive, \$88,904,199; for five years, 1894-1899, \$46,906,258; for five years, 1899-1904, \$90,391,394; for five years 1904-1909, \$121,618,733; for five years, 1909-1014, \$139,002,161, for the year 1915, \$29,447,508.

## Production During last ten years, \$267,607,077

Lode-mining has only been in progress for about twenty years, and not 20 per cent. of the Province has been even prospected; 300,000 square miles of unexplored mineral bearing land are open for prospecting.

The Mining Laws of this Province are more liberal and the fees lower than those of any other Province in the Dominion, or any Colony in the British Empire.

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