

RED METAL IS KING

Demand for Copper is Increasing Rapidly.

ALL BIG PRODUCERS OLD MINES

With Hardly an Exception, There Have Been No New Properties Added to Great Mine List.

So many persons are interested in the question whether copper is likely to maintain something like its present level of price that it seems worth while to call attention to certain factors which are apparently little known to most of those who discuss the matter, says R. Gervase Ewins, M. Institute, E. E., in the London Financial News.

ores to be treated that formerly would not pay; but the fact remains that to produce a ton of copper much greater mass of ore has to be stopped than in former times.

Table with 3 columns: Country, NAME, Output, '09. '08. '07. '06. '05. '04. '03. '02. '01. '00.

Total, 21 mines, 297,771 tons.

Notes—N. A., North America; S. Spain and Portugal; G., Germany; T., Tasmania; A., Australia; C. C., Cape Colony.

DECADE.

Table showing production of copper in various years from 1891 to 1899.

Grand total world's production, 8,280,199 tons.

The total production of the world for each of the last five years from "The Mineral Industry": 1894, 22,794,000; 1895, 23,554,000; 1896, 24,314,000; 1897, 25,074,000; 1898, 25,834,000.

Now let us ask from what sources did we obtain the 455,000 tons of copper which formed the total production in 1899?

Table showing output in 1899 for various countries: Chile, 12,529,000; Germany, 20,985,000; Spain, 25,115,000; United States, 21,211,000.

Among the other countries, Argentina, Austria-Hungary, Bolivia and Canada have decreased their production since 1894.

With the exception of 11,000 tons from the Mountain copper mines in California, practically the whole of the increase of the United States in these years has been derived from the above states, and the remarkable point about it is that almost the whole of this increase is from mines already existing in 1894.

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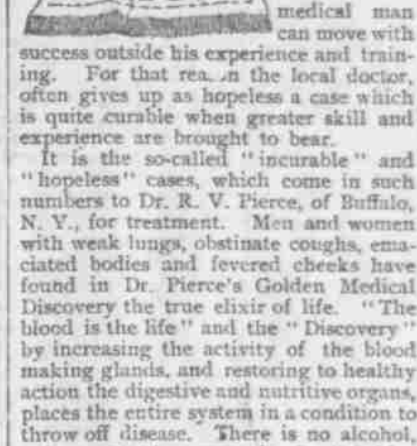
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