

**AMERICA LEADS
IN GOLD OUTPUT.**

**World's Product \$100,000,000
Less Than Previous Year**

A press dispatch from New York, dated the 21st instant, says that the Engineering and Mining Journal will tomorrow publish complete estimates of the gold output in the United States, and in the world at large for last year. The figures, \$118,435,562, for the United States, and \$255,954,654 for the world at large (compared with \$99,158,718 and \$311,505,948 in 1899), do not differ materially from the estimates of several months ago.

Regarding the world's output the Engineering and Mining Journal observes:

"The unfavorable result was due to the small contribution made by the Transvaal mines, a few only of which were operated during the early months of the year. Deducing the Transvaal output from the grand totals for 1899 and 1900 the statistics show an increase in the other gold producing countries of \$10,717,000. The largest gains were made by United States, Canada, Rhodesia and Brazil, while in Antralia and China there were important decreases.

"In one respect the gold situation in 1900 was unprecedented. It has never before happened that the output of a great gold producing country has been suddenly cut off entirely, or almost entirely. The Transvaal, which produced \$78,070,761 in gold in 1898, was expected to yield over \$95,000,000 in 1899 and \$110,000,000 in 1900. The war broke out in October, 1899 and the total for that year was \$72,961,501, while in 1900 the only production was from two mines which were operated by the government in the opening months of the year, and this work was stopped when the British armies reached Johannesburg. Instead of \$110,000,000 the Transvaal appears in our table for only \$7,208,869.

"The United States, which in 1899 ranked third among the great gold producing countries, in 1900 showed a substantial increase, which with the limitation of the Transvaal put it in first place in 1900. Australia dropped from first place to second place, while Canada took the third rank, though at a long interval, and Russia the fourth place. These four countries produced together 79.2 per cent of the total."

New Map of the Cable Cove District.

Engineer W. H. W. Hamilton has just completed a new map of the Cable Cove mining district, 17x23 inches in size, showing the various properties there, the mountain ranges, water courses, wagon roads and trails. Blue prints of the same are for sale at THE MINER office at \$1.50 each, sent postpaid to any address on receipt of the price.

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Consolidation of Machinery Manufacturers.

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PLACER MINING.

Revival in the Industry From the Upper Columbia to the Siskiyou.

From the upper Big Bend of the Columbia to the Siskiyou of southern Oregon come reports of extraordinary activity in the placer mines—such golden yields as have not before been taken out in a decade. It now seems probable that the year 1901 will be second only to the golden era of the 60s. This will be due in part to the cheapness of provisions and supplies, together with the opening up of new lines of transportation; in part to the slightly diminished interest in quartz mining, which has sent an army of prospectors panning out the golden bars and gravel; and in part to the late season and accompanying high water, which enables the miners to work the higher and richer bars, and at the same time cuts new channels and tears out old auriferous drift and deposits.

In the feverish rush of 35 years ago a great deal of ground was overlooked, and large areas that were unprofitable with flour at 25 cents the pound and all else in proportion, should now give profitable returns. It is true the Chinese followed in the wake of the early miner, but they are poor prospectors and slow workers, and cling to primitive methods and could not get at the higher bars and benches.

But it must not be assumed that every man can take a pick, shovel and blankets and go out and find pay diggings. That was impossible, even in the flush days of California; and is impossible now in Alaska. When thousands of miners were working ounce diggings or better on the Feather and the Yuba, other thousands were barely making a living, and still others were "flat broke." Nevertheless many will make placer mining pay, and others will take out handsome little fortunes.

There is something about placer mining that calls out the best traits of American citizenship. It fosters a rugged independence and cultivates admirable respect for law and manhood. The Spokesman-Review sends its best wishes to the adventurous men who are out in the hills, working with pan, rocker, sluice and hydraulic.—Spokesman-Review.

Private Table Board.

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