

MISSOURI MINES

Grand Total Out-put of Minerals in State Above Thirty-three Millions.

SOME BIG INCREASES SHOWN

Lead, Zinc and Coal Increased 427, 430 and 127 Per Cent Respectively.

Jefferson City, Dec. 24.—J. W. Marsteller, secretary of the state bureau of mines and mining for the past year, today transmitted to the governor the twenty-first annual report of that department.

Mineral Wealth, \$33,685,422. A summary of the minerals mined for the past year is as follows: Lead ore, 302,581,599 pounds, valued at \$8,822,519.

The per cent of increased value in the three principal minerals of the state during the past ten years is as follows: Lead 427 per cent, zinc 430 per cent, and coal, 127 per cent.

The total of \$32,823,422 does not represent the value of all the wealth of Missouri produced from under the ground.

Face Powder From Clays. Secretary Marsteller says that the clays are widely distributed throughout the state.

Loss in Lead Ore. Lead ore, compared with the previous year, shows a loss in production of 8,940 tons, and in valuation of \$873,590.

It appears the percentage of loss in lead ore prices exceeded that experienced in zinc ore.

Good Showing in Zinc. In zinc the report shows that there were 2,600,000 pounds more ore mined than in the previous year.

Coal's Banner Year. The coal mining industry made a most gratifying showing.

Comparative peace existed during the year between operators and miners, and both received the benefits due to steady work and good prices.

Some recent discoveries have also been made in Harrison and Lewis counties, which will increase the area.

IN THE SAND HILLS

An Experience Worth Going After and That Will Stick.

A COUNTRY OF SURPRISES

Weird and Uncanny Sights on Every Hand in the Hills.

Campaigning in the sand hills is an experience that one is not likely to forget. There is a vast region out there so different from any other in the United States.

"We have reached the unsettled wilderness, sure," he replied. "There are a good many settlers here."

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Work Not in Vain. He says: "Our aim in calling attention to the anticlines in the state needs no explanation; other states furnish it, and if by reason of our feeble effort to attract attention, there results an exploitation of our underground resources as yet undeveloped, which in time may be added to the resources already mentioned, our work has not been in vain."

It is the easiest thing in the world to get audiences out in such a country as that. Perhaps I had an advantage over what most men would have.

Put Aside Inferior Grades. The newest movement to put the inferior grades of seed wheat now planted in many parts of the state out of use originated with Senator George H. Hunter.

Funds Will Be Credited. "The money from the sale of the wheat after the first year will go into that a farmer give the state three or a fund for the purchase of additional seed from abroad to be sown the same fall.

Even after all this hub-bub most of us could not tell a case of foot and mouth disease if I saw one.

FOR SEED WHEAT

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EXPECT GREAT RESULTS

Legislature Will Pass a Bill Providing for Commission to Work.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 24.—Kansas in all probability will begin to expend a state appropriation of \$100,000 for the regeneration of the state's seed wheat in the spring.

Guaranteed Analysis. Protein, 60% Phosphates, 6% Fat, 8%

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they bought the additional quarter section. She said that she didn't think they would ever build now for all the children had married and were living in the country or had moved away and that sod house was a good one to live in.

The women who went out there in the early times have not all stayed there. For the last five or six years there has been a good deal of rain all over the sand hill country and good corn has been raised in the high table lands.

Campaigning in the sand hills is an arduous job. I sold never less than twenty-five miles a day and often sixty or seventy and spoke every night.

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St. Joseph, Mo. Topeka, Kan. Wichita, Kan. Grand Island, Neb. TALLOW, FURS, FUR PELTS, WOOL, HIDES. THE Eastern hide markets have declined about 1-2c the past week and large buyers seem to be out of the market for the present.

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