

Hill, J.J. - Tariff interests June 5, 1890

Hill to Hon. C.K. Davis, U. S. Senate

Re lead ore, which comes mostly from Mexico, so that U.S. has not the necessary amount to smelt the more refractory ore, and a very large amt. of silver ores carrying too little lead to smelt by themselves & not enough silver to pay for transportation to distant smelters where lead is available now have to either lie on the dump or in the mines. Wants the duty on lead ore abolished or at least reduced. The lead ores of Colorado are nearly all used up and the supply of domestic lead comes mainly from the Coeur d'Alene mines, from which point it is being

hauled to Denver, Omaha, and Kansas City.

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