

beneficial to a country as coal mining and coke making for export trade. The coal and coke are both brought to the last stage of perfection before being shipped out. All labor is expended on them in the country, and there is nothing further to be done with them except to consume them. Not so with logs, not so with lumber, not so with pulp, with wheat, with wool, and with many other products exported. Every dollar that comes into the country in return for coal or coke exports makes the country just that much richer. The farmer, the rancher, the miller, the merchant and the manufacturer will all profit. There will also be an enormous direct revenue to the British Columbia Government from the royalty. That Government is now deriving a revenue of about \$100.00 a day from our present operations.

“In addition to the development of the coal and coke industry, the proposed railway will open up a prospect, and an assured prospect, of smelting development, which will prove, from a public standpoint, of the very greatest importance.

**Smelting
enterprises
in prospect.**