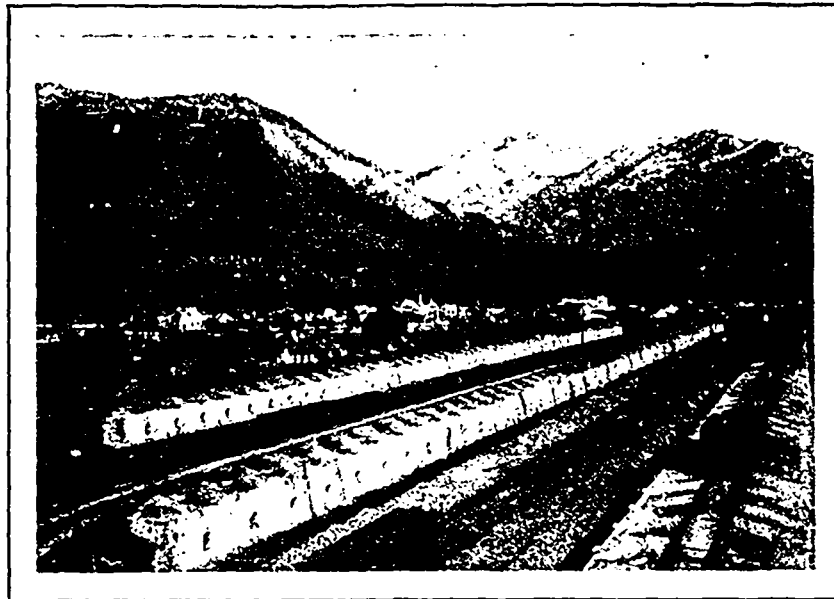


PRODUCTION OF COAL.			
Year.	Consumed in Canada. Tons.	Exported. Tons.	Total. Tons.
1900	211,533	8,925	220,458
1901	343,860	81,597	425,457
1902	324,908	116,328	441,236
1903	498,166	162,952	661,118
1904	581,634	136,477	718,111
PRODUCTION OF COKE.			
1900	45,445	28,051	73,496
1901	89,678	35,407	125,085
1902	87,643	33,134	120,777
1903	136,650	31,089	167,739
1904	138,076	107,335	245,411

having cost about \$20,000. It is well appointed, and is lighted by electricity, the Michel electric lighting plant having been put in operation during the year. At Carbonado new fans were installed at Nos. 2 and 3 mines, slack bins having a holding capacity of about 4,000 tons were completed, the coke ovens were finished, making the number here 240, and 25 cottages were erected.

The Crow's Nest Pass Electric Light & Power Company has electric light and water plants at Fernie, Michel and Carbonado. The power plant at Coal Creek furnishes light to both the colliery and the town of Fernie.

In conclusion, it may be stated that the mines of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company have now



Coke Ovens at Fernie. Box cars between coke wharves.
Loading larry on top of ovens.

Permanent improvements made and additions to plant and equipment in 1904 were as follows: At Coal Creek a stone lamp house and an addition to the wash house were erected. Five new Mumford steam boilers made at Amherst, Nova Scotia, were installed, and the new haulage plant for No. 2 mine was completed, this enabling the reaching of districts in that mine the coal from which was not previously available. At Michel the unfinished coke ovens were completed, bringing the total up to 464, which was the number originally intended to be built here. The total capacity of the coking plants of all three collieries is now about 45,000 tons per month. A new fan was put in at No. 8 mine, this increasing the air current there to 250,000 cubic feet per minute. Another screening plant and picking table were added, increasing the shipping facilities at Michel at least 50 per cent. Twenty-five new cottages were built and a new wash house is under construction. The new hotel built by the company, to replace that destroyed by fire about a year ago, is an up-to-date structure with all modern conveniences.

reached a stage at which they are in a position to meet all the requirements of the British Columbia market looking to the Crows' Nest coal fields for its supply, and, too, any demands made from outside sources, their facilities now being more than adequate, both as regards the production of coal and the manufacture of coke.

SOME NOTES FROM CARIBOO.

MR JAMES MOORE, of Black Bear Creek, writes: The season of 1904 was a very backward one for mining, caused by the long, dry summer, there having been insufficient rain to lay the dust. In the Quesnel mining division the Consolidated Cariboo hydraulic mine closed down early in the season, on account of water shortage, but the mine work was carried on and a gold recovery of about a thousand dollars per day was made. On the high benches at the foot of Quesnel Lake both the Lakeview Mining Company (Robt. Winkley, manager) and the Rising Sun Company (Patrick Gaffney, superintendent) earned expenses, but the