

ALEXANDER & MACDONALD, LEITH, SCOTLAND



Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Company Has Biggest Year in History

Earnings Almost 25% in Excess of Previous Year-Company in Strong Financial Position

The statement of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Company, Limited, for the year ending December 31, 1913, passed on by the Board of Directors, shows that the earnings for the past year amounted to \$1,255,953.84, being an increase of about 25 per cent. over those of 1912, and the biggest ever shown by the Scotia Company. One gratifying feature of the report is the excess of the current assets over current liabili-ties, the difference being \$1,593,744.73. The balance carried forward to the credit of Profit and Loss Account, after providing for interest, sinking fund, depreciation and dividends, is \$527,886.61, as compared with \$452,600.61 for the previous year.

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summer, and a number of improvements to plant and equipment had been carried out. DIRECTORS' REPORT. The Directors' report is as follows:--The Directors of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company, Limited, submit herewith their Thirteenth Annual Report and Statement of Assets and Liabilities, with Abstract of Profit and Loss for the year ended December 31, 1913. The profits for the year were \$1,255,953.84, as compared with \$1,000,609.93 for the previous year. The balance to the credit of profit and loss account at the end of the previous year was \$452,600.61, which with the profits of 1913, make a total of \$1,708,555.45, which has been dealt with as appears in the statement submitted herewith. The sum of \$32,659.54 has been paid on account of Sinking Fund and applied by the Eastern Trust Company in retiring bonds of the Company. The sum of \$70,165.50 has been added to the Reserve Funds, and the sum of \$107,682.43 expended for improvements and betterments, has been written off. The aggregate of these sums is \$210,527.47, and is con-siderably in excess of the amount deemed necessary to provide for depreciation. The sum of \$10,104.30 has been transferred to the Insurance Reserve Funds of the Company.

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DIVIDENDS DECLARED.

Dividends at the rate of 8 per cent. on the Preferred and 6 per cent. on the Common Stock of the Company for the year have been paid quarterly. The regular quarterly dividend of 2 per cent. on the Preferred and 11-2 per cent. on the Common Stock has been declared for the first quarter of 1914, payable April 15th to shareholders of record on March 31st, 1914. All of which is respectfully submitted. (Signed). ROBERT E. HARRIS, President.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

Assets.

Inventories (Raw and Manufactured Material and Store Ledger Accounts and Bills Receivable Cash in Bank		488,161.36 268,416.14	2,533,152.66
		\$	19,362,228.46
Liabilities.			2000
Capital Stock:			
Preferred\$1	,030,000.00		
Ordinary 6	,000,000.00	1000000000	
		\$7,030,000.00	
Bonds: Total issue	000 000 00		
Bonds redeemed			
Bonds redeemed	00,190.09	5,911,809.31	
Sinking Fund		88,278.07	
Debenture Stock		3,000,000.00	
Current Liabilities:			
Bills payable	200,000.00		
Pay Rolls and Accounts not yet due	389,930.50		
Bond Coupons due Jan. 1, 1914 Bond Coupons, not presented	147,795.23		
Debenture stock interest	88,560.00		
(payable Jan. 1, 1914).			
Quarterly Dividend, Preferred	20,600.00		
(shares due Jan. 15, 1014).			
Quarterly Ordinary Shares	90,000.00		
(payable Jan. 15, 1914).			
General Reserve		939,407.93	
Special Reserve Accounts:		/50,000.00	
Reserve for General Depreciation and for unusual			
expenses and renewals		1,085,693.84	
Insurance Funds		29,152.70	
Surplus Profit and Loss		627,886.61	\$19,362,228.