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This is, as I hinted above, a decreased output over previous years, but it is principally due to an inundation of water in the middle of the year, which stopped all work for three months in the main workings. At first it was thought that the pit would have to be abandoned, but a careful search indicated that the water had entered through the mouths of several old shafts which had become submerged beneath the sea level through the gradual sinking of the island. A massive dam was built around the old hoading, which the miners had accidentally pierced, carefully packed with clay and cement and the entire pit pumped dry. By the discovery of these old workings a considerable coal producing area has been added to the mine. It is however obvious that our Japanese contemporaries have not yet learned the desirability of preserving the old plans for comparison with the charts of working mines.

Exports of Japanese coal largely increased to all quarters during 1891, but the largest shippers have been the largest losers, for these shippers were principally foreigners, some of whom were quite new to the business. Shipments were made to various ports partly on account of these novices and partly on Japanese account under advance, and the coal operators were quick to take advantage of such a state of affairs. All kinds of rubbish was shipped in place of good coal, and although most of the shipments of course resulted in disaster the production increased, the Japanese coal producer being sufficiently short-sighted to imagine that the adulteration could continue indefinitely.

Coal shipments on advance system invariably results in disaster of a greater or less degree, and Japan was no exception. Simultaneously with the increased production lower prices resulted at Nagasaki and elsewhere. Coal, however, had to be sold or shipped at least, if even against forward bills, in order to secure funds to run the mines, with the result that the markets of Shanghai, Manila and Hong Kong were glutted with Japanese coals—with the exception of "Takashunia" and other "Mitau Bishi" fuel and 1891 was consequently an uncomfortable year for the Japanese coal producer. He has, however, learned a lesson, vital to his own individual prosperity and the welfare of the national, if nascent, industry, and I venture to think that those of us who watch the future of this industry will always discern the salutary effects of the dreary experience of 1891.

The small mine owners are now in difficulties and no doubt many of their number have shut down the pits ere now, but if as is anticipated many of the properties fall into the hands of the Mitau Bishi Company and other large companies, who can and will operate them upon business methods, the country as a whole will have no cause to regret the severity of the lesson, and production will be regulated so as to keep prices at a paying level. There is, however, one important economic mineral in which the Mikado's Empire is poor, and that is iron. Limestone she has in Yezo Island in beds ranging to 5 miles long by 1 1/2 miles broad and unknown depth, rich deposits of sulphur in the same portion of the country, principally purchased by America copper in the form of pyrites, of which 2,400 tons, value £3,000, were extracted in the years 1888-89-90, but no important deposits of iron promise that complete industrial independence which iron-producing nations ultimately achieve. Like the remaining islands of the Japanese Archipelago, Yezo is singularly poor in iron. Hardly a trace of any of the usual ores have been found. Small patches of magnetic iron sand occur on the south shore of Volcano bay, and in a few places still smaller deposits of a hard, coarsely honey-combed bog ore (limonite), which is believed to have been formed from alluvial deposits of the above noted iron sand. Neither of these former are easy to work, and if worked it is scarcely possible that all the deposits would yield more than 100,000 tons of pure iron.

The following figures indicate the present condition of the foreign trade of Japan with Britain in iron and coal:—

Exports of coal to		
	1890.	1891.
British India.....	£ 14 184	£ 34 031
Hong Kong.....	230 360	251 616
Imports of coal from		
	1890.	1891.
Great Britain.....	£17 700	£23 689
Imports of pig iron from		
	1891.	1890.
Great Britain.....	£22 954	£14 003
Imports of steel from		
	1891.	1890.
Great Britain.....	£33 652	£26 423

Decreased imports from Great Britain of bar, rail, and rod iron, spinning and weaving machinery, steam boilers and railway carriages.

	1891.	1890.	Decrease 1891.
Iron, bar and rod.....	£96 223	£107 157	£10 934
" rail.....	80 733	145 338	64 605
Spinning machinery.....	78 933	167 917	88 984
Weaving.....	270	16 340	16 070
Steam boilers.....	20 329	41 237	20 908
Railway carriages.....	36 508	92 674	56 166
Total decrease 1891.....			£257 661

Mr. R. L. Allan, of Ottawa, writes: "Having been troubled with weakness of the lungs and general debility the past two years, I concluded to give Putner's Emulsion a fair trial. I have taken seven bottles, and find my health much improved, my lungs stronger, my weight increased twelve pounds."