

RUSSIA.

The British Consul at St. Petersburg reports that the output of coal from the South of Russia for 1906 to have been 11,340,479 tons.

SWEDEN.

The condition of the Swedish iron market remains good, and the export continues to show satisfactory figures, which for the most descriptions exceed those of last year at the same time. The shipping of pig iron for January to May amounted to 34,000. Prices have kept at about the same level namely £5 10s. and £5 5s. per ton, f.o.b. shipping port, for iron of not more than 0.020 per cent. phosphorus.

STATISTICS AND RETURNS

On Shipments for the week ending Aug. 3rd, for the under-mentioned districts of British Columbia stand as follows:

	Week.	Year.
Boundary	30,567	675,234
Rossland	4,140	161,998
Slocan-Kootenay	3,025	76,746

The total shipments from the mines in the above districts for the past week were 37,732 tons and for the past week were 37,732 tons and for the year to date 913,978 tons.

For the week ending July 27th:—

	Week.	Year.
Boundary	37,573	644,667
Rossland	6,788	157,858
Slocan-Kootenay	2,987	71,721
Total	47,348	876,046

Following are the weekly shipments from Cobalt camp:—

	Ore in lbs. Week Ending Aug. 10.	Ore in lbs. Since Jan. 1st.
Buffalo	60,000	1,398,830
Nipissing	64,360	3,155,438
Silver Queen	176,000	652,157

The total shipments for the week were 300,360 pounds, or 150 tons.

Following are the weekly shipments from Cobalt camp, and those from January 1 to date:—

	Ore in lbs. Week Ending Aug. 17.	Ore in lbs. Since Jan. 1st.
Buffalo	60,000	1,458,830
Coniagas		4,080,180
Cobalt Central		101,360
Colonial		74,250
Drummond		44,090
Foster		192,350
Green-Meehan		196,780
Hudson Bay		45,170
Kerr Lake (Jacobs)		249,000
LaRose	43,000	978,302
McKinley		188,000
Nipissing	296,808	3,452,246
Nova Scotia		96,000
O'Brien		2,220,254
Red Rock		40,000
Right of Way		134,530
Silver Queen		652,157
Silver Leaf		43,518
Trethewey		1,346,018
Townsite		84,078
Temiskaming	119,011	229,011
University		61,383
Imperial Cobalt		37,530

The total shipments for the week were 518,819 pounds, or 259 tons.

The total shipments since Jan. 1, 1907, are now 15,935,845 pounds, or 7,968 tons. In 1904 the camp produced 158 tons, valued at \$136,217; in 1905, 2144 tons, valued at \$1,473,196; in 1906, 5129 tons, valued at \$3,900,000.

For the week ending August 10th the ore shipments in South Eastern British Columbia were seriously curtailed. The coke shortage has caused a temporary shut down, and the smelters are suffering from a congestion of ore. Following are the figures for the week:—

Shipments.	Week.	Year.
Boundary	31,560	706,794
East of Columbia River	2,640	79,350
Rossland	3,673	165,671

Total 37,873 tons 951,815 tons.

Smelter Receipts.

	Week.	Year.
Grand Forks	15,843	381,086
Greenwood	8,976	204,470
Boundary Falls	5,797	104,489
Trail	4,974	138,961
Nelson	25	10,048
Northport	155	61,762
Marysville	600	19,200

Total 36,370 tons 920,016 tons.

CROW'S NEST OUTPUT.

The output of the Crow's Nest collieries for the week ending Aug. 16 was 22,793 tons, a daily average of 3,799 tons.

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The directors of the Intercolonial Coal Mining Company, Limited, have declared a half-yearly dividend of 3½ per cent. on preferred and 3 per cent. on common, payable Sept. 2. In 1906 the company paid 7 per cent. on the preferred and 7 per cent. on the common.

Catalogues and other Publications Received

The International Metallurgical Company, El Paso, Texas, in a 15-page pamphlet advertise the "W. Townsend Smith Patent Improved Metallurgical and Cyanide Process and Apparatus." In a summary of advantages the following strong claims are made:—

1. A saving of 30 per cent. to 60 per cent. of the installation cost of a cyanide plant.

2. An increased extraction of gold and silver over any other process, with less time of agitation.

Elimination of stirrers, pumps, etc., saving in labor, large increase of capacity, saving in power, economy of room, elimination of filter presses are also among the good features of this new method. The process is certainly worthy of examination. If the manufacturers are able to substantiate their claims, they need have no fears for their success.

The Illustrated and Priced Catalogues of Assayers' and Chemists' Supplies for sale by the Denver Fire Clay Co., Denver, Colorado, U.S.A., 1907.

This catalogue describes the standard varieties of laboratory apparatus. Of especial interest are the muffles made by this company. Shape 4, with square sides, is a departure from the traditional muffle. Its design implies increased capacity and far greater convenience in removing and placing crucibles. The double-muffle assay furnaces are of particularly strong and simple construction. A fine range of button balances is illustrated.