AROUND THE COLLIERIES.

Coal Shipments MAY 1906.

DOMINION COAL COMPANY, LTD.

-Output and Shipments for April 1906.-

	-Output-	Shipment
Dominion No.	1 49 778 23 33 291 4 50 761 5 5 686 6 7 859 7 15 024 8 22 761 0 36 431	330 015
Shipments Increase	323 777 May 1905 May 1906	330 015 274 485 55 530
Shipments 5	mos 1906 mos 1905 mos 1906	1 068 585

INTERCOLONIAL COAL CO.

Shipments "	May	1906
Increase	**	1906 4 766
Shipments 5	66	1906111,555
Increase 5	mos	1906 40 159

INVERNESS RAILWAY & COAL CO.

Shipments "	April	1906 1905	10 885
Increase	66	1906	5 313
Shipments 4 Increase	r mos	1906 1905	32 334 28 505

Shipments "Increase	May "	1906 1905	16 219
Shipments :	mos		54 458
Increase	"	1908	39 724 14 734

NOVA SCOTIA STEEL & COAL CO.

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Shipments	May	NEY MINES.— 1906 1905	67	501
Increase	. 4.6	1906	23	$\frac{205}{295}$
Shipments 5	mos	1906 1905	180	813
Increase	**	1906	68	$\frac{019}{794}$

ACADIA COAL CO.

Shipments	May	1906 1905		460 377
Decrease	64	1906		917
Shipments 5	mos	1000	98	447
Increase	* 6	1906	-	982

CUMBERLAND RY. & COAL CO.

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Shipments "	May	1906 1905	33	912
Decrease	**	1906	4	345
Shipments 5	mos.	1906 1905	190	215
1ncrease	**	1906	33	720

Mr. Hugh Fletcher, of the Geological Staff has left his winter quarters at Ottawa and come to Nova Scotia. Mr. Fletcher's special work will be to make reports on coal and iron. He will visit the scene of the lately reported coal discovery in Kings County. It is to be hoped that Hugh has profitted a little by late experience, and if he goes to take samples of the coal he will go alone and surreptitiously. At least he must not take eighteen samples openly, or else the owners of the areas will at once adduce his so doing as proof positive of the great thickness, large area, and splendid quality of the coal.

The Editor intends making his semi annual trip to Cape Breton County collieries next week. He is in the happy position of knowing all the managers of all the mines on the south side—the new man at Broughton excepted—from pest master McVey of the Reserve, to outside watchman—this position generally falls to the latest initiation—Robertson of No. 6. And he has exchanged everything but blows with the managers on the northern side,—with the exception of he of Sydney No. 3,—and to know Tom' Brown and John Johnston is to know an excellent combination.