

MARKETS FOR COAL.

Coal from Nicola Valley will supply the Canadian Pacific Railway, also towns and cities along the line of railway from Revelstoke to Vancouver. This coal can also compete with Vancouver Island coal in San Francisco, the largest coal market on the Pacific Coast. The distance to Fernie, the present source of coal supply for the smelters in Greenwood, Grand Forks, Nelson, Trail and Northport, the route by which the coal is being hauled, is shown by the following:

FERNIE to	MILES.	DIAMOND VALE to	MILES
Nelson.....	479	Nelson.....	297
Rosslund.....	428	Rosslund..	297
Grand Forks.....	424	Grand Forks.....	191
Greenwood	440	Greenwood.....	180
Phoenix.....	444	Phoenix.....	184
DIAMOND VALE to	MILES.	Princeton.....	50
Spences Bridge	55	Hedley.....	75
Vancouver.....	233	Midway.....	170
Revelstoke.....	256		

The distance from the most important smelter points to Diamond Vale by rail will be not more than half as far with a very marked advantage in grade in favor of the haul from Diamond Vale.

Crow's Nest coal is loaded at Fernie for \$2.00 per ton, the freight being \$2.50 per ton to the smelter points. The freight on Diamond Vale coal on this basis will not exceed \$1.50 per ton at an outside figure. With six smelters already built in Grand Forks, Greenwood, Trail, Nelson and Northport, and several others to be built in the next two or three years, all near to Diamond Vale, it is evident the local market for coal will be extensive.

This coal will also find its way as steam fuel far south and east on the Great Northern and Northern

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already

Bridge
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Railway
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