time and money, has been done faithfully and impartially for those who have never contributed the amount of an annual subscription to the paper which has been the thief cause of their prosperity. The mining industry of Canada today owes its promising condition, its general activity, the favorable state of public opinion towards mining, the investment of capital and the remarkable development now taking place more to the influence of the press than to any one or all other influences combined, but its return for all this benefit has, as a rule, been most niggardly and certainly unjust.

The coal output of British Columbia during the year 1895 amounted to 939,654 tons as compared with 1,012,953 tons in 1894. The producers were as follows:—

Nanaimo co	ollier	۲.	٠.	٠.		٠.		 	٠.	 	 		338,198
Wellington	do		٠.	٠.		٠.	٠		٠.	 	 	٠.	336,906
Union	do			٠.		٠.		 ٠.		 	 		264,550

The quantity exported was 756,333 tons, principally to San Francisco, San Pedro, and San Diego, in California. Shipments were also made to Oregon and Washington States Alaska, Petropauloski, Hawaiian Islands, and to Acapulco in Mexico.

## Successful Gold Mines.

## No. 1.

## THE GOLDEN LODE.

The property is situated in the Uniacke gold district, Hants Co., Nova Scotia.

Operations were started in January, 1894, and a shaft was sunk with a view to cutting a pay chute at that time worked on the adjoining property by Messrs. Thompson & Quirk. A survey of the latter property showed that the pay chute should be cut by the shaft on the Golden Lode property at a depth of about 350 feet. In March of 1894 a com-

pany was formed with a capital of \$30,000, and the sinking of the shaft was carried on with all possible speed. At a depth of 300 feet a minor pay chute was cut, which gave a mill test of 6 oz. of gold per ton, and at 350 feet the main roll was cut and milling operations at once started.

The main pay chute has an average width of 8 inches, and an average depth of 55 feet, and dips about 32°. The average mill returns for the last year gave  $9\frac{1}{2}$  oz. of gold per ton of quartz.

At the end of March, 1895, exactly a year from the formation of the company, the first dividend, one of 5 per cent., was paid to the shareholders, and since that date monthly dividends of five per cent. have been paid regularly, thus up to date making 13 dividends of 5 per cent. each, or at the rate of 60 per cent. per annum. The shaft has now been sunk to a depth of a little over 400 feet, from which a slope on the dip of the pay chute has been driven for 250 feet, and the ore gradually taken out by overhead stoping. At a distance of 150 feet from the shaft a rise has been put up, connecting the upper pay chute, 50 feet above, which is now being worked back in the direction of the shaft. The mill returns for this upper pay chute still give 6 oz. per ton.

Besides paying a dividend of 60 per cent. the company have spent upwards of \$5,500 in development and additional plant, including a large compound duplex plunger pump, with a capacity of 160 gallons per minute, which it is estimated will be capable of coping with any water likely to be met, up to a depth of 2,000 feet on the incline. It will thus be noticed that besides paying a dividend of 60 per cent. on the capital of the company, an additional 18 per cent. has been expended in improving the property and adding new machinery.

The milling plant consists of a 5-stamp mill, which is, however, ample, as only from 20 to 30 tons of ore are crushed per month.

The officials of the company are: Directors, Mr. H. H. Bell, President; Mr. A. A. Hayward, Managing Director; Mr. A. M. Jack, Sec. Treas.

## GOLD MINING IN NOVA SCOTIA.

The following Returns from the Mines have been reported for royalty since our last issue.

Name of District.	Name of Mill or Co.	Months in which Crushing was done and	Quartz Crushed.	Vie	ld of G	old.	Total Vield.		
Name of District.	Name of Aim of Co.	Returns made.	No. of Tons.	Ozs.	Dwts.	Grs.	Ozs.	Dwts.	Grs.
44	McNaughton Co	March	137	72 103 12	0 14 10	0 0 0			
		March	1 473	188 29 140 	4 3 10 -	0 00 10	188	13	0
Gold River	T. N. Baker	! Hanuary, February, March	1	107	0	7	107	0	7
44 , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	James A. McDonald	February	155 169 159	197 69 133 100 361	15 0 5 0 7	٥١٥٥٥٥	861	7	o
Waverley	Tudor Gold Mining Co	Oct., Nov., Dec., Jan., Feb., March	1598	248	10	o	248	10	o
Brookfield, Queens Co	W. L. Libbey	March (Quartz 150) (Slate 275)		330	o	o	330	0	o
Wine Harbor	W. A. Adams	Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec., Jan.	458	271	17	G	271	17	6
Lake Catcha	John II. Anderson	March	. 6	3	12	o	3	12	0
15-Mile Stream	New Egerton Gold Co	January, February, March	1570	1034	15	o ·	1034	15	o
South Uniacke	J. J. Withrow	January, March	. 72	61	6	18	61 3276	6 - 5	18  7