

IMPORTS OF AMERICAN COAL

The following tables show the imports of Anthracite and Bituminous Coal and dust into the Maritime province for five months, Jan. - May 1911:

ANTHRACITE.						Total
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	5 mths.
Quebec	63,572	54,993	86,117	39,081	73,233	
N. B.	2,404	2,683	3,554	1,498	6,664	
N. S.	3,607	1,706	1,890	3,984	2,102	
P. E. I.	2,404					

Total 77,077 59,382 91,561 44,563 81,999 351,582

BITUMINOUS.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	5 mths.
Quebec	11,737	14,281	29,029	10,779	39,743	
N. B.	143	268	288	146	7	
Total	11,880	14,549	29,317	10,925	39,750	97,421

DUST.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	5 mths.
Quebec	3,604	3,333	4,663	4,443	6,024	
N. B.					27	
Total					6,051	22,094
Grand Total						474,097

Here is a chance for some of Nova Scotia's smart colliery electricians. The prize is worth trying for not only for its money value but for the fame it will bring.

The British Home Sec. announces that in order to encourage the production of safe and efficient types of electric lamps for miners a colliery proprietor has placed at his disposal the sum of £1000 to be offered as a prize for the best lamp or lamps, which shall be of sound mechanical construction and easy to maintain in good order and repair, so constructed as to render impossible the ignition of inflammable gas either within or without the lamp, that the lamp battery cannot spill any liquid it may contain when the lamp is in use, and that it may be effectively locked so that it cannot be opened without detection and that it may be capable of giving a light of not less than two hours power for a period of not less than ten hours. Mr. Charles Rhodes, a former president of the Institute of Mining Engineers, and Mr. Charles Merz have consented to act as judges. The competition is open to persons of any nationality, and lamps submitted should be forwarded to the Home Office Testing Station at Rotherham by the end of the year.

SOUTH WALES MINERS

SETTLEMENT TERMS REJECTED

A conference of delegates from lodges in the South Wales area of the miners' Federation was held at Cardiff for the purpose of considering the terms provisionally arranged for a settlement of the strike at the Cambrian Combine collieries. Nearly 300 delegates attended. The proceedings, which were presided over by Mr. Abram, were conducted in private, and at the close an official report was issued, stating that the whole day was spent in discussing the negotiations that had preceded the arrival of these terms, and at the close the terms were unanimously rejected, and it was decided that the conference stand adjourned. The number of delegates present was 283, represent-

ing 138,171 members.

The South Wales miners who subsequently rejected the proposed terms for a settlement of the Cambrian colliery dispute, decided to ask the national conference of Miners' Federation of Great Britain which meets in London next month, to declare a national stoppage on the minimum wage question; and failing that, to allow a general stoppage to be declared in South Wales.

Mr. Charles Bathurst, M. P., has called the attention of the Home Secretary to a trade which is rapidly developing in the eggs of the peewit, or lapwing. American agriculturists are buying them in large quantities because of the usefulness of the birds in destroying snails, wire-worms and various insects destructive of roots, cereal crops and pasture. Gloucestershire County Council have obtained an order to protect the birds and their eggs.

In the Ladybank Auction Mart a robin has built its nest in a hole in the rostrum made by the auctioneer's hammer. It has laid four eggs, and sits on undismayed during sale times, notwithstanding the presence of men, cattle and dogs.

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