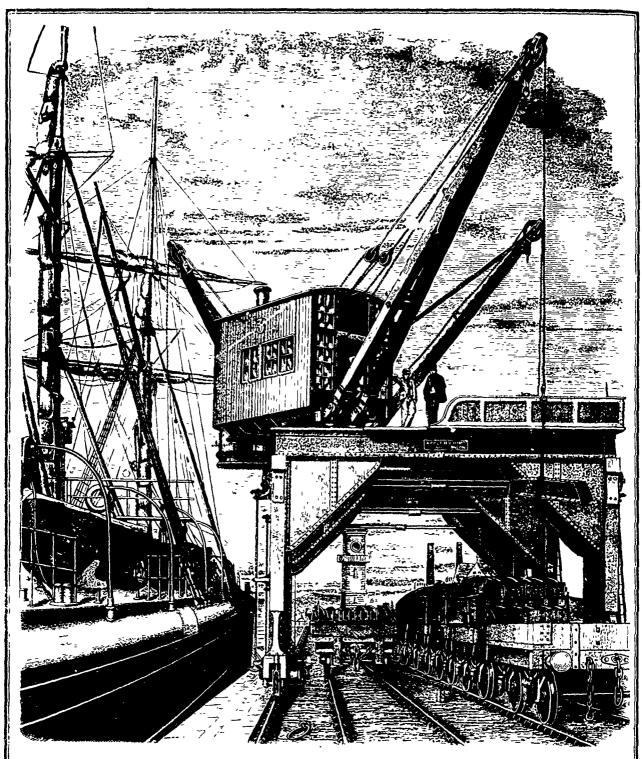
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that the real coal-beds may be considered to be practically untouched. The Chinese Government rather put drawbacks in the way of these mines than offer facilities for their work-ing. The owner of land which contains coal is not permitted to open a mine without previously obtaining the sanction of to open a mine without previously betaining in sanction of the quarty of this coal has been involved upon by the authorities, which involves great delay and expense, and competent engineers, and it is stated, in fact, on good authority is after all usually refused. As to the introduction of machi-that for bousehold purposes Kelung coal has no superior nery for the better working of the mines, the proprietors have

Generally speaking, it may be assumed that the coal-working 'not sufficient capital to purchase such machinery, nor do they at Kelung is little more than a scratching of the surface, and wish to lo so. Supposing, however, that they were both able that the real coal-beds may be considered to be practically and willing, it is stated that such an innovation, accompanied as it would be by the employment of foreigners, would be the immediate signal for the closing of the mines by the Man-durine, and the not improbable loss of the proprietor's head. The quality of this coal has been favourably reported upon hy

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