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### GAS AT THE HAT

(Special Correspondence, Journal of Commerce)  
Medicine Hat, Alberta, March 28.

That selling natural gas from the municipally owned wells at the low price of 15 cents per thousand for domestic use, and five cents per thousand for manufacturing purposes, by this municipality, is a source of substantial profit, is evident from the report of the city auditors, who are now finishing work on the books of Medicine Hat for the year 1913.

During that year, after allowing for all charges, repairs to system, maintenance, debenture repayments and interest, the amount left was \$79,171—or figuring on a population of 16,000 for this city, it is equivalent to a profit of \$5 per head for every man, woman and child residing here. In the last five years the net profits from gas sales have also increased, the following showing the profit for each year from 1909 to 1913, inclusive:

1909.....	\$25,374
1910.....	23,230
1911.....	45,198
1912.....	54,450
1913.....	79,171

Five years' profit..... \$227,423

### ALBERTA'S COAL OUTPUT

(Special Correspondence, Journal of Commerce)  
Edmonton, Alta., March 28th.

Two hundred and eighty-nine coal mines in Alberta, employing 6,610 men inside and 2,253 men outside, produced 4,306,346 tons of coal, 130,861 tons of briquettes, and 65,167 tons of coke during 1913, an increase of nearly 25 per cent. over 1912. A million tons was exported to other provinces in Canada and to the United States. The classification of the output is as follows: Bituminous, 2,374,401 tons; lignite, 1,763,225 tons; anthracite, 168,720 tons; used in coke production, 104,012 tons. The increase of output during the last eight years has been about 500 per cent., the tonnage being as follows since the organization of the province: 1905, 811,228; 1906, 1,385,000; 1907, 1,834,745; 1908, 1,845,000; 1909, 2,174,329; 1910, 3,036,757; 1911, 3,694,564; 1912, 3,446,349; 1913, 4,306,346.

### IMPERIAL TRADE RETURNS

The tenth number of the statistical abstract for the British Empire relating to each year from 1898 to 1912 has been issued by the Imperial Board of Trade. The book shows that, by taking the year 1898 for purposes of comparison with 1912, the trade of the Empire with foreign countries consisted of total imports of £468,876,000, and exports of £334,722,000, as against £822,957,000 and £660,160,000 respectively in 1912.

The trade of the United Kingdom in 1898 with other parts of the British Empire in imports amounted to £126,924,000, and the exports to £99,484,000, and the Intercolonial imports to £36,547,000. The figures in 1912 were £236,316,000 (imports), £218,267,000 (exports), and £83,595,000 (intercolonial imports). The total of Inter-imperial trade in 1898 was £1,066,573,000, as compared with £2,030,285,000 in 1912. The percentage proportion of foreign trade in 1898 was 75.3, and of Inter-imperial trade 24.7, as compared with 73.5 and 26.5 respectively in 1912.

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