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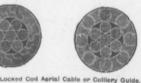
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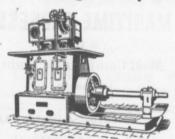
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COAL HAULAGE.

By Robert Robertson, Mine Manager, Sydney Mines.

No. 5 colliery, or as it is familiarly called, "Queen was sunk to the Sydney Main seam by the General Mining Association in the year 1854. shaft is 400 feet deep 11 feet diameter, and for many years served the double purpose of a hoisting shaft, and also providing an upcast for the ventilating furnace. Subsequently a third shaft was sunk which was used for veutilating purposes exclusively.

The Queen pit continued in active operation and figured largely as a coal producer until the year 1876. when the new winning or "Princess pit" was completed. As the work of developing the new pit progressed, the men were transferred thence from Queen pit, until finally it was abandoned, and for a long period of years it was used as an upcast for the Princess pit.

When the present owners, the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Company, Limited, in 1900 absorbed the old General Mining Association, and took over all the property and franchises of that corporation, was designated No. 1 Colliery, and when some three years ago the company decided to re-open Queen pit, it then became known as No. 5 colliery.

In re-opening the colliery, the main objective point to be reached was the face of the Main north level, which level had been stopped and the whole section abandoned several years previous to the stopping of the pit, This stopping was due to the excessive wetness of the workings, and also to its injurious effects upon the miners, it being highly charged with sulphuretted hydrogen gas.

The work of cleaning and repairing the level was of the levels was reached at a distance of nearly a half onal pulley. a mile from the shaft. From this point, the solid coal

The main level face being reached, the permanent track was laid, 28 lbs. rails been used. 'a landing was prepared and double track laid for a distance of 300 feet and preparations made for winning anew this face of coal. A pair of headways were set away to the rise and at a suitable point beyond the face, deeps were set away to reach Sullivan's level, and for a time horses were used to convey the coal to the pit bottom. As

for a double track, and as it makes only a slight deviation from a straight line with a average grade of 1 per cent. in favor of the load, the conditions were favorable for the installation of the main and tail-rope system of haulage, but ultimately it was decided to The main put in an endless-rope haulage, both ropes running alongside on the single track.

Electricity was adopted as the motive power, and the driving gear erected on the surface. The motor is 75 h. p. running at a speed of 475 revolutions per minute, giving out 278 amperes at 320 volts. The circumference of the bull-wheel is 15ft. 6ins. and the intermediate gearing reduces the speed of the dram-shaft to 30 r. p. m., giving a speed to the rope of 465 ft. per minute or 51 miles per hour.

The total length of rope is 6,700 feet, gin. diameter, has 33 turns round the bull-wheel, and is thence conducted from the under side of the driving wheel to the top of the hoisting shaft, dcwn to the pit bottom, and after passing round one vertical and one horizontal wheel, is carried along the low side of the empty track, passing under the rail into the centre of the track, and is then carried round the curves to the intersection of the full and empty roads at a point 200 feet from the pit bottom.

From this point, the ingoing empty rope and the outcoming full rope run between the tracks, until the outer end of the landing is reached, where the full load diverges to the left. The empty rope is carried up the full length of the landing, then passing round a return wheel at the inbye end, returns out along the centre of the track to the point of intersection of the two tracks, thence out to the pit bottom and reaches the surface by way of the furnace shaft, and is led into pushed as rapidly as possible and in due time the face the top of the bull wheel by one vertical and one diag-

The furnace shaft does not reach the coal seam, but extended t wards the raise as far up as the workings a borehole in the centre of the shaft pierces the roof of the old "Jacob" and Yard pits, and down towards the dip to what is known as Sullivan's level.

All the pulleys are 5 feet diameter.

The only tension in use is placed on the outgoing rope between the driving-wheel and the top of the shaft and in addition to the weight of the wheel and the guiding carriages, it only requires the addition of two cast iron blocks, weighing together 700 lbs. This weight is sufficient to keep the rope tight on the bullwheel, and take up the weight of the (400 ft.) hanging the work of development progressed, and the output in the shaft, The travel of the tension is only about gradually increased, the urgent necessity became more 10 feet, taking up 20 feet of slack, and as this is the and more apparent of providing mechanical for horse only point where provision is made for taking up slack due to elongation of the rope, and is not sufficient to Originally the level was driven only wide enough make a new splice in the event of shortening, the expedient of picking out one of the splices and cutting

off is resorted to

The gauge of the track is 2 ft. 6 in. and the ropes on the level are kept about 8 ins. apart by means of the main haulage rope as a band-rope for motive purging. These have been found to work most admirably on a wooden frame and are not so readily knocked out when the grabs pass over them as were the larger ones.

same manner as for main and tail-rope, or plain haul age systems, and the attachment to the rope is made the outer end of which a bull wheel, 3tt dia. was by means of stout grabs. In hauling in the empty keyed. The main rope makes two complete turns trip one grab is used, attached to the front of the trip around this wheel operating the drums in the same in the same manner as the end of the tail rope would be, and on arriving at the inby end of the landing, the

rope is stopped and the grab detached.

In bringing out the full trip two grabs are used, rope, after which the whole trip is moved out on a main rope to make one haul out of the deep. motion, when the whole trip moves as one unit. Care the main rope makes the journey. must be taken to see that every trip is sent away from the front grab released first, after which the hind one ready referred to, and also one horse that was used to is taken off and the trip allowed to run by gravity out haul to and from the head of the deep and the outer

Sets of 30 tubs are run, each tub carrying an

800 lbs.

but an average of three trips is easily maintained, and in the course of a nine-hour day, delivering 570 tonexperienced in handling the larger quantity were the by one man. coal obtainable.

The main levels were rapidly pushed forward and soon the necessity arose of doing something to shorten the horse haulage between the faces and the landing. Another spare road was made at a point 720 feet beyond the outside of the main landing, and horses put to haul the coal between those two points. From three to four horses were thus employed, the coal being

hauled in sets of four tubs.

Simultaneously with the pushing forward of the levels, the deeps extending down to Sallivan's level were also kept advancing until the level was reached at a distance of 900 feet below the main level. This was accomplished at the sacrifice of a very considerable amount of horse flesh and in the later stages of this development it was a good day's work for a good horse to hauf from 20 to 24 tubs. The grade of this deep is 8 per cent.

A considerable area of solid coal extends beyond and below the face of the level, which had been driven beyond the line of the face of the Main level, and also a large area of pillars lies immediately below the level,

all of which can be won from this deep.

The question of substituting mechanical for horse haulage in working this section again came up. There

was no available motive power in the pit, and after several propositions had been discussed and dismissed it was decided to install an auxiliary haulage, using ordinary bottle-jacks piaced at suitable points and the poses. Accordingly two small drums with pinion and ropes ran on small cast iron rollers, 6 in x31in, diamets spur wheel shaft and gearing similar to what are in er, set low enough just to keep the ropes from drag- use for hauling purposes, were procured, and mounted

These drums are 20 ins. diameter by 61 ins. wide, depth of flange 91 ins., operated by friction gear. In-The coal is hauled in trips coupled together in the stead of the crank-shaft with pinion gearing into spurwheel on drum shaft a longer shaft was substituted, on

manner as if steam or air driven.

One of these drums was used for hauling the coal up from Sullivan's level, a distance of 900 feet, 7 tubs being hauled up the trip, with a 1 in. rope. The speed one at either end. The rope being stationary, the grab of the rope was found to be too slow to haul any quanon the back end of the trip is firmly attached to the tity of coal, as it required the double journey of the slight grade until all the couplings are stretched. The come this, a larger pinion was put on, which gives front grab is then firmly secured and the rope set in sufficient speed to make one haulout of the deep, while

The other drum was fitted as drum-wheel, having the landing in this manner, as any locseness among a diameter of two feet and this was used to operate a the couplings tends to jerk and loosen the grabs, caus- small endless rope on the level, conveying the coal from ing trouble on the road, where the grade varies. On the inside spare road to the outer end of the main arrival at the pit bottom, the rope is again stopped and landing, thus displacing the four railroad horses al-

end of the landing.

The quantity of coal hauled from the deep is equal average weight of 1570 lbs., the weight of the box been to the work of 8 to 10 horses, which added to the work done by the 5 horses on the level, represents a saving Occasionally four trips in an hour have been made, of at least 14 horses, with all their incidental expenses. worry and torture. The greatest quantity of coal hauled from the deep is 315 tubs, and from the level at the pit bottom. The greatest quantity actually 400 tubs; and all this without any expenditure for handled has been 510 tons, but no trouble would be motive power and, beyond the landing tenders, all done

> The industrial impetus given the province by the coal interests was augmented by the establishment of the Dominion Steel works at Sydney. Eagle eyes had marked the south bank of Sydney harbor as an admirable location for the Steel industry, and the result was an expenditure of \$25,000,000 which reared the might jest steel making plant in Canada and transformed a struggling village into a hustling city. Other companies also found the smelting and refining of iron ore a profitable enterprise, and as a re-ult the steel industry in Nova Scotia is on a thoroughly sub tantial footing and is assuming large proportions.

The industrial boom created a strong demand for labor, and as it was found that many of the skilled workmen for new important industries, had to be imported, the Provincial Government established evening technical classes in all the principal towns. The subjects taught at these schools include business English, technical arithmetic. practical algebra, geometry and trigonometry, mechanical drawing, machine drawing, architectural drawing, building construction, electricity, surveying, chemistry and civil engineering.

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************* RECIPROCITY

Mr Butler, General Manager of the Dominion Coal and Iron Co, lecturing in Boston is reported to have said that Nova Scotia coal operators might not be averse to reciprocity provided a treaty could be made covering a long period of years This would be imperative as in any effort to secure up expensive unloading plants etc.—or words to welcome with the glad hand. that effect. Of course Mr. Butler, spoke from a Dominion Coal Company's point of view,-and after having exchanged views with Mr. Dick, the sales agent, on the subject. The Record is of opinion that among the coal operators generally of the Province there is a growing feeling that rec- in Cape Breton had but started, that there could most as modern as at the International pier, at ably, the Halifax Herald, the Sydney Post, and be loaded in six or seven hours. The coal can be uance of a hopeless struggle Few people indeed essity arises The Dominion Coal Co is the only gues be now silent; just like our contemporary. with the Tide water railway people.

Ten years ago the opinion may have prevailed that Nova Scotia could hold the Montreal market against all comers, reciprocity or no. Of late there has been a pronounced change of opinion. There are those who think that the removal of the duty would lose to us the largest portion of that our present largest market. The Dominion the U. M. W. when the illegal referendum vote Coal Company might possibly hold its own under reciprocity, and the mines in combernand, naving strong in nomocre, and long in purse, would be access to the Bay of Fundy, gain a little, while able successfully to cope with and secure large Pictou and Inverness Counties, and the mines in concessions for the men from the companies. Cape Breton County outside of the Dominion Coal Co. would have a stiff and uncertain fight modern labor and capital warfare, there was a for a life worth living. Cut off from the Montreal factor that determined far more than money. market and unwilling to expend a large sum in

Boston or Portland for the erection of plant, the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co would enter the lists for a big share of the local market, and then would surely ensure a fratricidal war-we use the word because outwardly the operators are so brotherly—which would demoralize the Coal Trade.

There is much talk of the proposed Georgian Bay Canal and what it would do for the coal trade, If that Canal be built and reciprocity precede or follow its completion then surely our Coal trade from Montreal westward is delivered into the hands of our commercial enemies

The Record considers that under present tariff conditions there is a sound argument against the admission of all foreign agitators to undo the very work that a tariff is supposed to accomplish. If there is reciprocity in coal then the argument against the exclusion of foreign labor agitators will lose much of its force. if it can at all be maintained.

With the rapid strides Canada is presently making, the time may not be far distant when the Montreal-or, more correctly, the Quebec mara footing in the New England market it would our opinion reciprocity is not a thing upon which ket will be as large as that of New England. In be necessary for the Nova Scotia operators to put to bestow an indifferent sympathy, let alone to

STRIKE CALLED OFF

the Fronce in a groung feeling that the control of the U.M. W., and so it has happened. Not being made in shipping facilitites across the line, an iota of advantage has been gained, while the are daily weakening the hopes, that might have loss to the workmen has been tremendous, and are daily weakening the nopes, that might have loss to the workmen has been tremendous, and been entertained a few years ago, of securing any that to the Company and Country serious. The remonerative share of the New England coal men are of course the greater losers being the trade. Nova Scotia operators have to-day to ones least able to afford it. The responsibility for reckon with the big Tide water, or Virginia, railroad. To a deep water port a train of 3000 tons to their families, the loss of revenue to the procan be hauled by one locometive from the mines, vince, and the lessened trade in general, rests not At this port the facilities for quick loading are al- only upon the U. M.W. agitators, but upon, notany rate a six or seven thousand ton carrier can such other papers as incited the men to a continbe loaded in six of seven noirs. The coal can be uance of a hopeless struggle. Few people indeed freighted from this deep water port to Portland would like to stand in the shoes of those responsor Boston as cheaply as from Lewisburg. The sible for the utterances of these papers. The Post Tide water railway will likely creet quick diswith amazing coolness, not to say effrontery, charging plants at Boston as soon as the necsuggests that the strike being over pens and ton-Now that the waters are not troubled, the Post blandly advises the copious use of oil. When the waters were really troubled the use of oil in the shape of advice to the men to cease from strite, never entered its head. The Record cannot afford to be silent; surely the strike and its issue has les-

sons for many, and these must be pointed out reciprocity, and the mines in Cumberland, having strong in numbers, and long in purse, would be

That factor is public opinion.

from the cutset was against the uncalled for action alized out of their investment. For a time the of the leaders of the foreign order. They believed, Husseys were supreme at Broad Cove, now their as the Record did, that home troubles could be name is a memory and mayhap an occasional best settled and home differences best adjusted household word. One could not nelp liking the as the Record did, that home troubles could be by a home organization, and not by an organizat- man though they dissented from some of his ways. ion whose headquarters are a thousand miles away, and an organization which could call sympathetic strikes at the nod of its leaders.

The strike in Cape Breton has cost a million and an half dollars, and probably a further loss of wages to the workmen of half as much more.

And what has been the benefit of it all? Not a single advantage gained; while hundreds of men who had happy homes are now penniless. The men only have suffered; the leaders are as slick and spry and spruce as ever.

Are the men of Springhill and of Westville willing to be duped as the Cape Breton miners

The foreign organization cannot gain for N. S. miners a cents worth more consession than the

home organization.

In the home organization the mens votes count and tell; in the foreign organization the intelligent vote will be swamped by Poles, and Slavs, and men of every nationality, but British and Canad-

What did the U. M. W, in Cape Breton strike

for?

They say recognition. Have they got it. ? Oh,

From July till end of April it cost every man on strike in Cape Breton an average of \$50.00 per month, or a total of \$500.00 each.

The leaders have declared all along that it was recognition and recognition only that was wanted, Suppose it had been obtained would it have been worth the price paid, namely, five hundred dollars

Recognition is not accorded, so the workmen have been dead losers—have lost 10 months work, 10 months wages, and lost in honor—a totalloss.

Are the men at other mines prepared to risk, with the certainty of losing, \$500.00 each for recognition? Suppose it was secured how long before they could make good the \$500,00 loss?

And so Wm. Penn Hussey of Broad Cove fame has went the way of all the living. He died on the 29th. April last. There were many exciting and dramatic incidents in Wm Penn's life. When the scows and the dredge which was to make a famous harbour out of McIsaac's Pond were leaving Boston, Hussey waved his hand saying, 'Good-bye boys, be careful, there goes my all.' The scow and the dredge reached Broad The dredge dug a sort of channel and then was laid up inside the Pond, where she remained vivid imaginings, and good intentions, The deceased gentleman was exceedingly good natured, of coal was thereby exposed, and the Swiss guests named the miners, he was justified, seeing he was had the privilege, which few have had, of literaltalking about the strike, in saying that the wages ly walking over a coal mine, and it may be added paid averaged over \$3,00 per day. He knew the

Public opinion, that is sane public opinion, that that was about all the pleasure they ever re-

- Rubs by Rambler.

In the letter of the Secretary, District No. 26, U. M. W., we have a sample of hyper criticism from a super sensitive Hibernian. Perhaps that is unkind, as James B. has dropped entirely the Laughlin and comes out boldly Lachlan; so seeing Lachlan is as gaelic as Allister, I will, instead, though I don't half like it, substitute Scotsman, or the term used. The Sec, of District 26, U. M. W:, says, in a letter to the Herald, that there are some in Nova Scotia who, during the past two years, have resorted to every heathenish device in order to keep miners wages at the lowest, and in order to restrain the mine workers from joining an organization that is strong enough to save them from "the unsatiable greed of dividend hunters." The organization referred to as possesing this samsonic strength is the U. M. W. Well, they have shown their strength to the fullest during the past ten months in Cape Breten, and what has it amounted to? Weakness is the fittest and the truest word to employ. With all the boasted strength of the U.M.W., from what have they saved the Cape Breton miners, who trusted in them? Wby, they have not saved them from utter defeat. Let the leaders of the U.M. W. play still the part of necromancers, the rank and file will soon learn that the terms of settlement were without a single alteration, the same as the company offered on the 5th of July last. McCulloch may labor, and Lewis may laugh and send gleeful congratulations, but the fact is the U. M. W. leaders had to surrender without terms, and that will be made plain in a day or two, once mens mirds are prepared to receive the truth. 'Strong enough to save', indeed! Not this time, and having shown impotency they ought, with the best grace possible, own to it, and retire-the leaders of course. The Secretary of District No. 26, U. M. W., calls Senator Power to task for having stated that the average wage of the mine workers in Springhill was over \$3,00 per day, and that some miners made as high as \$6,00 per day. The Secretary tries to pour contempt on Senator Power for making such a statement, and more for many a day, a monument of blighted hopes, than hints that the statements are dishonest and untruthful. To my mind it is the Secretary of Dittrict No. 26 who equivocates. Senator Power ceased gentieman was exceedingly good hards. For did not say the average wage of the 1,670 men, and knew the force of ocular demonstration. For did not say the average wage of the 1,670 men, instance, before the arrival of certain Swiss gensial to be employed at Springbill, was over \$3,00 themen to view the mine in which Mr. Hussey had per day. The context, in Senator Power's referting the context of the con tlemen to view the mine in which Mr. Hussey had per day. The context, in Senator Power's refer-induced them to invest, he caused the earth over- ence to the big wages, shows he had in mind lying the seam to be removed. A large surface only miners. But even had he not specifically strike was not called by other than the miners, employees-to be outside the operation of the for, like other public men, he had read the de- questionable, for good, Compensation act. mands of the strikers, or the reasons for the strike. These, primarily, were recognition; a standard weight; schedule of rates, etc. In short assistance of Dr. Kendall in his efforts to seduce the the trumped up grievances were all-recognition local government from its policy of inactivity in referexcepted -purely miners' grievances, affecting ence to the operating a coal mine for the benefit of the the least directly interested. The many Boards extortinate prices charged by the coal barons for the called to sit at Springhill were asked for in no prime necessity, we now submit further propositions instance by the 1210 days wage men and boys, for the consideration of Dr Kendall, the chief promotbut by the miners, and therefore Senator Power ing engineer. A coal which has been famous for dowages earned by the miners,

The Halifax Herald, and certain of its correspendents fairly revel in making the most extraordinary and outrageous statements. For instauce, referring in indignant tones to the exclusion of the Dominion Coal Co. from the operation of the Compensation Act the Herald declares that this exemption, non application, means a saving to the a year, and then forgetting that it had specified that sum, proceeds to say, as it waxes wroth, deaths-the Company would be called upon to incapacity following accident is ten,-and that cannot well be called a low average. There were 140 accidents which multiplied by ten makes a total of 1400 weeks. Let the weekly indemnity under the compensation act be placed at nine dollars, and that unless we are mistaken is over the mark, and multiply that by 1400 and the result is \$12,600. Add the weekly indenmity to that paid on death from accident and the total is 30.600 or less than a third of the lowest estimate of gain to the Company made by the Herald. The Dominion Coal Company has at least 6000 employees. The present Relief Fund tax averages about 25cts. which let it be assumed will be increased shortly to 50 cts. per month or six dollars per year. Mr. Plummer has promised to contribute dollar for dollar paid by the men, that is he will pay six dollars per man per year. Six thousaud employees at six dollars per head gives \$36.000 dollars as the Company's contribution to the Relief Fund. In other words under the Compensation Act the Company may be compelled to pay \$30.600 while it voluntarily agrees to pay the Relief societies, in lieu of Compensation claims, \$36,000 or \$5,400 in excess of the demands of a Compensation act. The figures we have given are as nearly correct as we can give them and go to prove that the Herald's statements were wild, and that it was not for the purpose of saving a few cents that the Company desired,-along with the majority of their

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In pursuance of our promise to come further to the 460 men, and in which the other 1210 were not in few people who make a furious out cry against the was fully justified in confining himself to the mestic purposes for three quarters of a century is that called "Old Sydney" This coal comes from the pit at Cranberry Head. It is now owned by the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co. For this colliery and some unoccupied ground the company paid the G. M. A. a million and a half dollars, I am certain the Scotia Company would let the government have it for the interest added yearly on a million and a quarter dollars, with a royalty of say ten cents per ton. The interest and the Dominion Coal Co. of a hundred thousand dollars royalty would come to only a little over \$90,000 In other words the unmined coal in a fully equipped colliery capable of producing 300,000 tons a year, if prothat the aving to the Company, and of course perly pushed. Seventy cents for mining added to the consequent loss to its employees-will be two thirty cents make a dollar, If the government could hundred thousand dollars. One cannot well imagine not sell this coal for two twenty-five, the Remnant what the Herald hopes to gain from such reckless could demand of Dr. Kendall an explanation of where and absolutely silly statements. Let a little fig-the other charges came in. The coal at Cramberry uring be done. Taking the government mines Head extends far out to sea, and there would be nothreport for 1908-1909 was a strike year-it will be ing seaward to cause interruptions after the governfound that the number of fatal accidents in and ment had called upon the Dominion Coal Co. to yield round the mines of the Company was 12, and the up the areas lying in front. This proposition is anothnumber of minor and major accidents 140. Accordead certainty. The government might prefer a cording to the Compensation Act,—on the as- mine in Cumberland County. There are several here sumption that the Company was liable for all the that the government could have at ridiculously low pay eighteen thousand dollars, twelve fatal ac- Eastern Coal Co. An inducement for the government figures, namely, the 'Fundy', the 'Strathcona' and the pay eighteen thousand donars, that sum. Eastern coal co. An inducement of the government at the sum set \$1500 making that sum. to operate the Eastern is that at that mine there is one of the finest and largest mine manager's mansions in the province. If the government was disappointed at the height of the coal, they had their solace in the height of the house. The overground works of the 'Eastern' are all that can be desired. This is an ideal mine for governments to experiment upon. There is some coal in sight and some to be sought for. mine would afford the government a double pleasure, that of realization and that of anticipation. The bond holders would, I am sure, let her go at a sacrifice, as they live at too great a distance to give their property personal supervision. By purchasing 'Fundy' the government could supply to the suffering lumbermen grindstones, while supplying coal to the general public. Dr. Kendall should not leave the lumbermen utterly to young McGregor. The latter lacks the daring initiative of the doctor, and though lumbermen and lumberers are Bob's chief care, I am quite sure the idea of opening p government grindstone quarry, for the benefit of his much imposed upon clients, never entered his head. Baird, the boss of 'Fundy' is a grand old grit, and I am sure would, therefore, deal liberally in any transaction with a liberal government. The people would be delighted to see the government operate 'Fundy', placing Kendall on the theoretical, and Baird on the practical cost end of the concern, For every stunt performed by Master Kendall, James would show him one worth two of it. Further probositions on fyle,

of the strike will be less discrimination in the future neither case, the no heredity and the no in peron the part of the bosses. He goes on the assumption petuity privilege, will the wise old councillors that the Dominion Coal Co's, assurance that there will agree to a change except on the distinct underbe no discrimination refers to the kind practiced by the pit bosses in giving special friends special facilities for making big wages. Well the leader, for a leader, is could be fairer, very much mixed up. The 'no discrimination' spoken of on the south side has reference to the attitude of the company toward a section of the men and not of little bosses to certain individuals. There is very little of that latter now to what existed in C. B. within the memory of the writer. At a certain famous colliery whose glory has passed away, the white haired boys, who got the cream of the places, were those who showed most zeal in doing chores for the U. G. M. I kept the good graces of the boss by instructing him how to get the best work out of the choremen, in working the garden and doing fancy stunts around the house, things finding a capable leader. he was ignorant of. There are some folks who denounce a poss who has certain workmen who he favors. I did a little bossing in my time, and there were certainly workmen who got the biggest share of any tit bits that were going. These were the men that could be trusted to be in time, and not be absent with- the following. out cause, who would, when there was a smash up, willingly lend a hand to get matters right, and who did not think they were being imposed upon if the whistle had stopped blowing at 5,30 p. m , before they had their coats on and ready for a precipitate dash. Of course bosses have favorites and discriminate and why should they not? Why should not a boss look favorably on the man who takes an interest in his work and is not an eye servant nor a time server. Here are a dozen men, six are skulkers, and six are zealous The tormer rack their brains from morning till night seeking out ways to put in ten hours with the least exertion possible, while the latter are ever at their post, willing workers. These latter have a right to be favored, and a right to promotion. Of course the lazy and the disloyal lot call out discrimination', Let them call away, they forced the boss to its adoption.

be tickled over Hon. Mr. Mack's little joke of giv-powerful organization. As for price I have no ing notice of a resolution regarding the privileges doubt the Govt could buy the whole shooting ing notice of a resolution regarding the privileges etc, etc. of the upper chamber, and then in the match for a trifling sum, comparitively, if they closing hours of the session intimating his resolve agree to take over all the promoters with it. to shelve the resolution until after the House of What about coal, did you say? Oh, come off now, Lords had been heard from. The smile of the E. who ever heard of coal when one is talking of C. would be broader if he new the spirit which mines for Govt. 'operation.' first animated Mr. Mack, in giving notice of a motion. In secret conclave the councillors determined to meet, with all their armor on, the anticipated and heralded attack of the valiant Dr. Mcdoctor's courage been sustained, and had he moved to the attack, then the councillors would have made a counter attack and also a flank movement. The councillors stood at attention all through the session, Mr. Mack's motion serving as a pennon, and they are still keeping their powder dry for future contingencies. They will be guided in great measure by the action of their brothers at Westminister. If the Lords go in for "no heredity" the councillors will re-echo that.

A writer in a C. B, paper thinks a good outcome against the first and go with the second, but in standing that it shall not apply to one of them, but to the fellows who come after, and what

> The liberal papers declare in big headlines that Borden is ruining the conservative party, and the funny thing about it is that they do not feel glad. Indeed on the contrary one might infer that they were mad at his doing such a thing. It grieves the liberal papers to the marrow to know that the conservatives have not a leader who will lead their party to a triumphant success. They are, oh, so solicitous for the welfare of the conservative party that they are prepared to render it every assistance in framing a policy and

ANOTHER COAL MINE FOR KENDALL.

A witty correspondent in Cape Breton sends

"I notice in last edition of Mining Record, your comments on the suggestion that the local Govt, try its hand at coal mining. In this article you suggest that the Govt, buy up the Acadia Colliery and further state your belief that it could be acquired on reasonable terms. This is gross partiality on your part, and again opens the door for the time worn ery. "Injustice to Cape Breton." We have here in Cape Breton a coal mine named Broughton which according to the late general manager of it, consisted of sixteen miles of graded streets, and the two finest hotels east of the Frontenac, By purchasing this mine the Govt. would at once come into possession of these sixteen miles of streets, which could be dug up and shipped to the "Good Roads Association," for distribution amongst the various counties when most needed. As for the hotels, I have no doubt the Free Coal League could find use for them as The Eastern Chronicle, by its smiles seems to summer residences for the remains of the once

Centrary to popular belief, says the 'Iron Age,' the mining of bituminous coal is one of the least profitable Millan, on their health and longevity. Had the industries in the country. Only a small number of coal companies earn net profits which compare at all with those of manufacturing or commercial enterprises, or of railroad transportation. A few mines pay good returns by reason of advantages in location and mining cost, but these advantages often accrue to the railroad more than to the operator, as they are considered in the adjustment of rates. The railroads are the largest consumers of coal, and their contracts are not often let on a basis which proves profitable to the mines that are tayored. The operators who do not have unusual If the Lords say, "partly elective, partly nominare favored. The operators who do not have unusual ative for a period of years," the councillors will go natural advantages are seldom able to carn steady returns on their investment.

THE MINERAL WEALTH OF THE UNITED STATES

The following from Munsey's Magazine should fur- out any considerable increase in cost. nish matter for thought to those who desire to promote

mineral development in Nova Scotia,

The United States holds first place as a mining and mineral producing nation. We are preeminent in our twenty million tons over 1908. It required 2.11 tons of of manufactures-coal, iron, copper, and lead. In the before-owing, presumably, to the use of slightly lowerproduction of gold we are cutranked only by South grade ores. The value of the pig iron produced was alone rivals us in petroleum.

been used as sources of energy for various manufactursumes is drawn from our coal-deposits.

arts upon steam-power, for the near future, at least it seems likely to increase rather than decrease. Except those afforded by the iron ores of the country. so far as the mauufacturing of this country can avail it-

bution of coal supplies.

of such deposits known in the world. It is doubtful if this field has been for many years, the seat of untiring it is equaled in extent, or in the quality of its product, search on the part of prospectors, the swift successive by the great field in China, which alone can vie with it discoveries indicate that its mineral resources are as yet

States is already first among the nations as regards the lous metals are concerned. amount of water-power utilized in industry. It is pro-Great Lakes. It is remarkable that this section should million-dollar line is likely to be passed for the first time. be so well supplied with the two important sources of part of the world. Such an assemblage of power-giving duct is now much less than formerly. conditions insures to this country very singular industrial advantages.

Next in importance to these great natural sources of energy must be ranked the country's stores of iron ore. These are remarkable in quantity, at least in the eastern half of the continent, with reference to the fuel required for the conversion of the ore to the metallic state.

The supplies of iron ore on which the furnaces of Europe depend are, at many points, approaching exhaustion; and it is probable that civilization's increasing demand for iron and steel cannot be met, in the Old World, without a considerable addition to the cost of

the product. On the other hand, it is calculated that in the United States the output might be quadrupled with-

The year 1909 took its place among those of greater activity in the production at iron ore. About fifty-three million tons of it were mined-an increase of nearly output of four of the great minerals which are the basis ore to make one of pig fron-a larger amount than ever Africa, and in that of silver only by Mexico. Russia \$437,101,382. Though commonly reckoned as the basest metal, iron, it will be seen, is the most precious of Although water-power and wind-power have long all metallic substances that this country possesses.

Next to iron, the most valuable of our under-earth ing purposes, and though they have been made far more assets is copper. With the modern extension of the available in modern times, largely through the skill of use of electricity, the demand for t is metalhas increased American inventors, yet the range of their application enormously. The copper-bearing deposits of the United is limited, while that obtained from coal fits almost all States are very extensive and extraordinerity rich, conthe needs of the arts. It is mainly on account of its taining larger available supplies than any part of the applicability to all sorts of conditions that the steam en- Old World. The production of copper refined from ores gine has become the great agent of civilization; and in found in the United States was, last year, 1, 098 000,000 this country, practically the whole of the fuel that it con- pounds. For the same period the output of Mexico was only 126,000,000 pounds and that of Canada 48,000,000 The prosperity of peoples is largely determined by pounds. As a whole, the copper-bearing rocks of the their access to coal. Great as is the dependence of the United States, owing to their great extent and richness, give promise of affording mining values second only to

Our production of lead in 1909 exceeded the highest self of water-power, the development of our technical figure previously on record; it amounted to 374,000 tons. industries seems likely to depend mainly on the distri- Our production of zinc was 276,096 tons. ed valued of these two metals was about five millions We are fortunate indeed to be in possession of dollars. Gold and silver, the so-called "precious" metalmost unlinited deposits of this vital mineral, lying in als-althought as a matter of fact, they are of less econpositions which make it easy to mine, and readily ac- omic value to man, at least in the technical arts, than cessible to the places where it is naturally demanded. most of those already mentioned occur plentifully not-Appalachian coal-field is the largest and richest area ably in the mountain region of the far west. Although There were produced in the United States last year, most imperfectly known. The goldof Alaska is aiready of both bituminous and anthracite coal, 437,176,241 tous, becoming an important factor in the world's supply. Notwithstanding the present supremacy of coal, the Competent authority does not deem it unlikely that a energy derived from streams is of vast and ever-increas- thorough exploration of a great nothern possession may ing value to the people of this country, The United double the resources of our country, as far as the prec-

Last year production in gold is estimated to have bable that, measured in horse-power or by manufact- been \$90,000,000, -a gain of \$4,500,000 over our outured product, the energy derived from the streams of put in 1908. The two leading States were California this country is more valuable to man than those of all and Colorado, each producing about one-fifth of the toother lands put togother. The valuable water-powers tal, while Nevada contributed nearly \$15,000,000. of this country are in the main limited to the region east. These figures are given by the Geological survey, which o the Mississippi and south of the St. Lawrence and the adds the statement that in the year 1910 the hundred-

The same authority states our output of siiver, for energy-water-powers and fossil fuel. To these resour- 1909 at 53,849,000 ounces-an increase of 1,400,000 ces, however, must be added the stores of petroleum ounces over 1908. Owing to the great decline in the and for burnable rock-gases, which are here contained price of silver, which sold during the year at an average in larger quantity and over a wider field than in any of fifty-two cents an ounce, the value of our silver pro-

> One item from Alabama tells of an explosion that killed 41 men. The next one tells of a shortage of laborsays 1,000 men could find employment. Is it a case of cause and effect? We fancy so, to some extent at least. The accidents have gained such notoriety that labor fights shy of the coal mines. Competitive bidding with other lines of employment is the only way to get more men. Coal is going to cost more and must sell for more. It is worth more money-far more money-than the average price of the past ten years

AROUND THE COLIERIES

The Inverness mine did not keep up its gait for April, but went considerably behind.

People have faith in Pictou County. Prospecting for coal and iron is still being prosecuted.

The Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co. make a nice gain -26.000 tons-in shipments in April over April of last year.

Mr. Angns McKay, Underground manager at the Albion Mines, having retired from that position, is succeeded by Wm. Arthrell,

Some of the Westville men joined the U. M. W. giving as a reason that it was cheaper to pay an initiation fee of fifty cents than to pay their back dues to Ladysmith Lodge.

The RECORD is pleased to learn that T. J. Brown, of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co., is out and about again after a rather severe attack of and operation for that become momey making-for M. D's.-malady, appendic-

Robert Harris, of Halifax is to remain at the helm of Allan Shafts is a member of the alien order, 'Scotia' for another year at any rate, no preventing providence. He and not Forget will have the honor and pleasure soon of announcing a substantial increase answer to a section of their workmen who demanded redon't forget it," as Forget would say.

The Conservative club at Dom. No. 1 are sadly lacking in originality. What they 'beg' to demand of future aspirants for provincial legislative honors are the same old things, eight hours, old age pensions, compensation and so forth. Why don't they suggest something startling like the people of Port Morien.

er in reference to voluntary absenteeism, The worthy doctor is puzzled to find data on which to base some sort of satisfactory conclusion as to the amount of vol-Previous to pay day on four days there were approxim-they got to show for it. ately 100 men off, from sickness and from voluntary absenteeism. As there was no plague or epidemic in the days succeeding pay day there should not have been the U. M. W. upon the coal company situated in the more than 100 men off on the days when there were 600 and 500 off. Suppose we allow that those off beshall be open to the inspection of the auditor of the fore pay day were all sick men, and no voluntary abU. M. W.. that he may ascertain the selling price of sentee among them and deduct a hundred from the coal and so determine the wages to be paid." That is 600 and 500 off. Suppose we allow that those off benumber off after pay day, we come to the conclusion that 500 and 400 men were idle of their own free will. The pic nic season has surely commenced early and commenced with a vengeance.

As soon as shipping becomes brisk several of the mines of the Dominion Coal Co, may be put on double

It is reported that some of the mine bosses in C. B. county will leave shortly to try their fortunes at the new mines out West. Some are named whom the RECORD would be sorry to see go.

Mr. Morine of the Port Hood Coal Co goes jauntily about these days, his hat cocked to the side, making in congratulatory tones the announcement that he has re-cognized the U. M. W. Perhaps before long our now happy friend may recognize what recognition means.

It is not thought that more than twenty men will get notice to quit from the Acadia colliery, Westville, before or on the fifteenth, owing to prevailing conditions as to work. Though the demand for labor in Westville is not so brisk as one could desire, it is said that there is still a demand for good men at Springhill, all the places not being filled up.

In the account of the U.M.W. organization meet-Mr. McLeod, the former Underground manager at Drummond, the Acadia, and the Allan Shafts were Port Hood, goes to Inverness to fill the place vacated there. There was one man only from the Allan Shafts, McIsaac, familiarly known as Stellarton Angus' will him after he had taken the oath of allegiance. The RECORD does not believe that one man working at the

The Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co, have returned an in 'Scotia' dividend "Put that in your leetle book and cognition. Politely yet very firmly the Company's answer is an unmistakable No, not now or at any future time, if we can help it. The Company had the courtesy, as soon as the answer had been given, to immediately inform the other coal companies of their action, This was deemed necessary in view of the many false reports presently going the rounds of the mining locali-

McCulloch. ex V. P. of the U. M. W., is reported to Here is an item which Dr. McGill might ponder ov- have said in C. B that his society had expended \$750,-000 in Nova Scotia. In Springhill, the papers say, he placed the amount at a million. If he looked in at the Joggins the amount he spoke of would be \$1,250,000, untary absenteeism. Last month after pay day at mines to swell to a million and a half before he reached the in Cape Breton employing 1800 men, there were on the border. Without joke, the U. M. W.s. spent a lot of in Cape Breton employing 1800 men, there were on the border. Without joke, the U. M. W's, spent a lot of two days succeeding pay day 100 men and 500 men off, money, and, say, seriously and between us, what have Previous to pay day on four days these were approximately

> One of the demands made by a Cape Breton local of district in which the local flourishes is that "The books certainly cool It goes so far that the wander is it did not go further and say that any profit made by the company should be handed over with thanks, to the members of the U. M. W. local.

AROUND THE COLLIERIES

The management of the Dominion Iron and Steel Co, is in high feather. All the machinery is working etrable mystery. It is thought the Dominion Coll Co. smoothly, the mills are running to their full capacity, are tiding their time, and that the veil will be lifted and orders are coming in more rapidly than at any pre- before the week end. vious time.

tion to the Dom. Coal Co. for re-employment. will leave about one hundrestill to make application Co. is entirely premature. The Gazette explains that irrespective of the leaders varies and army by them instead of Port Morien going to the assistance of the big selves.

unconditionally.

For the past week the U.M.W. leaders who have done much perambulating have been boldly asserting that they have the terms of settlement in black and white in their pockets, but not one of them has offered to hold it up to the light. Some believe the leaders have a document with the 'terms' of settlement, but that it would not be healthy to bring it out until McCulloch, Barnaby, and Hargrove are well across the line.

A conference between Mr. Plummer and other heads of the Dominion Coal Co., and the representatives of the several Relief Funds was held last week at Glace Bay, in furtherance of a plan to put the Relief Funds on a basis that will make the Compensation act a paltry affair, when placed alongside of it. The company will put down dollar for dollar contribuied by the men. The RECORD, with reason, is proud of the Relief Funds, and hails with gladness anything and everything that tends to their improvement, enlargement, and greater efficiency

Before attempting to bring Nova Scotia into the fold the U. M. W's have ample opportunity for missionary work at their own doors. They tell us, the leaders do-of the big wages and the shorter hours in the land over which waves the stars and stripes. The fact is that in Pennsylvania many laborers are paid much less wages than the laborers here. The report of Bureau of Labor upon conditions of work at Bethlehem discloses a state of affairs which would make Nova Scotia workmen sshamed. From the report we gather that 2,322 men worked twelve hours a day for seven days a week, a large percentage of these laborers earning only 12 I 2 cents an hour. A large part of the skilled workmen had approximately a 10 1-2 hour day for six days of the week. A large number of those working 10 1.2 hours a day frequently were required, it was stated, to work overtime on week days and to do additional work on Sundays, and it was the protest against this extension of time and the requiring of work on Sundays from the employees who had the shortest hours that led to the strike which began on February 4.

The Glace Bay Gazette says the statement in the It is said about a thousand men have made applica. Mining Record that the North Atlantic Collieries Coy. had sold their 1910 entire output to the Dominion Coal company, the big company is to assist the North Atlantic in the transport of the latter's coal. The Gazette It is not certain that a section of the Sydney Mines says things will boom at Port Morien this season as the men will press for a conciliation board. When the ap- company has secured big contracts, and that the labor plication was made to the Department the man at the differences have been satisfactorily arranged. The RECsouthern collieries had not concluded to go back to work ORD is glad indeed to hear this, but the Gazette having said so much should say more and tell anxious people about the terms of settlement.

Coal Shipments April, 1910

-INTERCOLONIAL COAL CO.-

Shipments	April	1910 1909		700 228
Increase	44	1910	1	472
		1910 1909		
Decrease	4 "	1910	-	156

INVEDNESS DV & COAT

-INVE	UNES	RI. & COAL CO).—
Shipments	April	1910	11 912 22 545
Decrease	44	1910	10 633
Shipments	4 mos.	1910 1909	71 380 48 957
Increase	4 "	1910	99 499

-NOVA SCOTIA STEEL & COAL CO, LTD,-

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Shipments	April	1910		100 894
Increase	**	1910		206
Shipments	4 mos,	1910	160 112	665 141
Increase	4 "	1910		

-ACADIA COAL CO .-

Shipments	Annil	1910	18	762
· "	aspin.	1909		964
Increase	"	1910		798
Shipments	4 mos.	1910	83 75	479 831
		1910		640

ROOFING THAT NEEDS NO PAINTING.

There are doubtless many readers of this paper who are users of ready toofing, who are not tamiliar with

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RE-AWAKENING OF NOVA SCOTIA.

A. J. Campbell in Montreal Star.—The flag of prosperity descended with the hoisting of the Canadian National ensign in Nova Scotia. Confederation, that splendid achievement in the making of Canada's destiny, wrought havor with the Nova Scotian shipping ing impotent and no longer worthy of the confiposition from the rest of Canada, cut off by artificial her labors, and so far as the outside world was concer- compromise, but that in that endeavor he has to ned Nova Scotia slumbered.

It was a natural sleep, however, and not the coma that precedes death. The years of sleep were not was ted years. Slowly, but steadily, the province built up new tissue, strengthened its tendons and gathered fresh energy into its nerves for future endeavors. The public school system was developed and improved; increased facilities were provided for the encouragement of exact scholarship; and as a result Nova Scotia has given to the world perhaps more college professors and principals than any other province in Canada. The period of so called slumber ripened the country and

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