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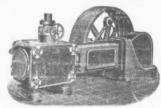
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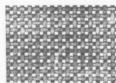
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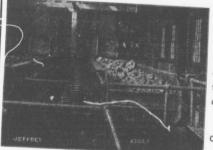
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MR. PLUMMER ON THE OUTLOOK.

(HALIFAX HERALD)

The manufacture of iron and steel has been carried on during the year just closing under conditions not wholly satisfactory, owing chiefly to the labor troubles, which have marred the businesses of many districts. It has suffered also from delays in the completion of extensions which are under way, due largely to scarcity of suitable labor. But production has been increased; there has been a good market for all that could be produced, and while the great waste which strikes have directly and indirectly caused to the community is greatly to be regretted, present conditions are good, and we can look forward with confidence to the future.

Increased toturns from the greatecal, iron and steel industries, and activity in general business are reasonably assured. The naval pians of the government at Ottawa are not unlikely to bring new business to our shores, for there are no places so well adapted for the building of stee ships as those we have on our Nova Scotia coasts. In my own opinion two places stand out pre-eminently in offering the greatest measure of advantage for this business. It might be invidious to mention them, but I may go so far as to say that one—I had almost said the other—is Halifax.

The iron and steel industries of Nova Scotia, in their modern form, have had a comparatively short period of existence. The work of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal company and its predecesors dates back to early days, but the modern development in both the great Nova Scotia companies has scarcely finished its first decade, and while much his been accomplished, very much remains to be done.

Letting the past go, what have we today in the way of iron and steel industries in the province?

The capacity of the blast furnaces now in existence is about 400,000 tons per annum, which will be increased on the completion of the work now under way to nearly 600,000 tons.

At Sydney, and in souncetion with the works of the Nova Scotia company at North Sydney, there are steel plants capable of converting into steel all the pig iron made at these places, and rolling mills of various kinds capable of turning the steel into finished material.

All this has been done in the last ten years. the cost of mining coal he When one considers the work necessary to pre-point and that this is in son pare for the mining, transportation and handling waste of labor and exper of ore, of limestone, of coal and other materials, working. If we are to ho for the manufacture of coke, and the hundred and conditions must disappear.

one subsidiary operations, the showing is, as we say in Nova Scotia, "not too bad," but in my opinion we are merely at the begining of things.

What the construction and operation of these plants has done for Nova Scotia it is hard to say, for their effect on the great coal mining industry of the province is not easy to gauge. It may, however, be estimated that for every ton of finished steel shipped, three to four tons of coal have been used directly and a good deal indirectly. In the larger plants much of the cost of ora is expended outside Canada, but that is one of the smallest items in the count. Allowing for that, and counting in the amounts expended in completing the more highly finished products, it is safe to estimate that for every ton of steel manufactured in Nova Scotia over \$20.00 per ton goes to the men employed in the steel and coal plants, and from them into all departments of business.

This is not all. Part of the east of steel and coal is the expenditure for materials and supplies, bought very largely in Nova Scotia. With a steel output of approximately 400,000 tons per annum, consuming directly and indirectly 1,200,000 to 1,500,000 tons of coal, the money thus put into circulation is a very large sum.

A word on the question of iron. We meet very often with complaints that the Nova Scotia furnaces are doing little to develop Nova Scotia for production. But the amount of labor which goes into the ore is but a trifling proportion of that expended on the steel, and the hast that it is not yet practicable to get ore in Nova Scotia at a reasonable cost is clear. In the early days there was a much larger bounty on pig from Canadian ores than that made from ores from Newfoundland, but even with that advantage none was used

The time may come when bodies of iron ore worthy of the costly equipment essential to economical mining and transportation will be opened up at home; meantime we should be thankful that a source of supply is open to us which enables us to meet the competition of the western plants.

A few words on coal may be fitly added, for the mining of coal is closely allied to the manufacture of fron, and steel, and in the main carried on by the same interests. The past history of the coal industry is well known to your readers. The present condition is not altogether setisfactory, for causes which I believe will be eliminated before very long. It may be frankly stated that the cost of mining coal has reached too high a point and that this is in some measure due to the waste of labor and expense through irregular working. If we are to hold our markets these conditions must disappear.

As for the future of our coal mines, that de-works and quarries in Cape Breton, and 900 at the pends on our selves. The markets are there, the mills in New G asgow. consumption increases from year to year, and the completion of the Grand Trunk Pacific from Moneopen up a new and very large trade, I see no rea-

COAL AND IRON-

-THE GREAT LOADSTONES.

The President of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co. Mr. R. E. Harris may not consider it a very heavy compliment to be told that certain of his statements in the new year Herald were so plainly and plthily put that they evoke a "well said" from the RECORD. His referferences to Sault Ste. Marie, are most interesting. Says

"As an illustration of how the establishment of one industry leads to another, I might refer to Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. In 1894 the Sau't Ste. Marie Pulp and Paper company erected a mill for the production of mechanical pulp. In a short time the pulp wood near by was used up, this led to the building of the Algoma Central railway, which had the effect of opening up the territory known as East Algoma. After the supply of pulp wood had thus been assured, paper mills followed. Sulphide pulp became necessary to mix with the ground pulp in the manufacture of paper, and a sulphide pulp mill was next erected.

As the utilization of waste sulphur was necessary in this latter process, and for this purpose, the sulphuric acid gas formerly wasted in roasting nickel ores at Sudbury, was utilized. In the process of roasting ore for the purpose of procuring the supply of sulphur, a residue of nickel and iron was left. This led to the manufacture of nickel steel.

As the nickel lands at Sudbury contained only a small quantity of iron, Mr. Clergue directed his attention to the question of procuring other iron ore, and as a result the Michipicoten district was developed and the Helen mine opened.

When an abundance of iron ore had been proved, the erection of the steel plant followed, and in its wake came reduction and refining works, a chemical and alkali plant and other industries giving employment to thousands,

The history of the future development due directly and indirectly to the pulp mill established by Mr. Clergue sixteen years ago, has yet to be writ-

Mr. Harris shows the importance of the coal and iron industries as follows:-

"The average number of employees of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal company during the year 1910 was 5,276, who treseived in wages no less than \$2,820,000. Of this number 860 were emyloyed in connection with the iron mines at Wabana, Newfoundland, and as our article is restricted to Nova Scotia, they must be excluded. This leaves 4.416 employed in Nova Scotia. Of this number 3,516 were employed in and about the coal mines, steel Street, St. John.

Each employee represents an average family ton to Quebec, and from Quebec westward will inhabitants of the province depending directly son why the coal output of the province should words, the closing of the works of the company not be very largely increased; it must be if we are would mean that one person in every twenty of to meet the demands that will surely be made the whole population of the province would be obliged to find a residence in some other part of the

The town of Sydney Mines has a population of from ten to twelve thousand people. It has as fine churches as can be round in finites, it we omit the two cathedrals. It has a splendidily equipped hospital, the fine brick building used for the purpose having alone cost atout \$25,000. It has several well-appointed halls, a town hall, many stores and dwellings, and all the appointments of a well regulated town. Its real estate and buildings must represent a valuation of sev-

The existence of this town is due entirely to the mines and works of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal company, and if the company ceased operations permanently the town would cease to exist. Of the employees of the company, 500, represent-ing a population of 2,500 live in Cape Breton county, outside of the towns of Sydney Mines and North Sydney. . 500others live in North Sydney, representing a population of 2,500, and 900 reside in New Glasgow and its vicinity, representing a further population of 4.500

Think for a moment what it would mean absolutely to wipe out of existence the town of Sydney Mines with its population of 10,000 to 12,000, to take away 2,500 of the population of North Sydney, 2,5000 other residents of the county of Cape Breton, and 4,500 of the residents of New Glasgow

How many merchants, farmers, carpenters and men in practically every walk of life, who depend largely, and in many cases perhaps wholly, upon these inhibitants finding themselves crippled, or entirely ruined, by the loss of their trade or en-tre business, would be obliged to remove from the province, and follow the 22 000 who directly depended upon the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal company? The effect, direct and indirect, upon thousands of people left behind need only be suggested."

The Salvation Army Immigration Department, reten; but notwithstanding the difficulties of the time Provinces, having placed a large number of desirable immigrants on the land, a number of whom have capital to buy farms, as soon as they have secured knowledge of conditions etc. Reports received from farmers show that most of those placed last year gave good satisfaction. A number of Canadian Officers have been sent over to Great Britain to select immigrants for Canada, special attention will be given to selecting settlers for the Maritime Provinces. Some new and important features are under consideration for next spring, announcements of which will be made latter. Full particulars and Application forms furnished by Staff-Captain Jennings, Bow 447, Halifax, or 259 Prince William

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************ THE COAL TRADE 1910.

pected as the Dominion Coal Co. the largest of the pro- take a turn. ducers fell very far behind in 1909 owing to the long and unwarranted strike. It cannot be said that much the shipments are about the same as for 1908.

That there has not been greater progress is due to ent supply of loaders is impossible to obtain.

was the biggest curse that has befallen the coal trade nearly correct as possible. in many a year.

The mainland makes a poor showing for 1910 though one or two individual collieries show increases. The credit for the large increase is due Cape Breton where the larger concerns made capital showing

The approximate of shipments, made in the middle absenteeism.

Port Morien has a trial pit been sunk and other exploratory work done.

The promise is that Morien will soon become a big coal producing district. The advent of the Dom. Coal Co'y, to Springhill certainly means one of two things. Either the several collieries will be working full blast in a few months or the collieries will shut down tight as a battle. The Dominion Coal Co's operat-ions on the Lingan Victoria areas are on an extensive scale. There is now a large population in the district optimistic enough to say that before very long Water-Single Copies 5 cents, ford will be a rival of Glace Bay. The company has now 14 collieries in operacion with the prospect of speedy addition.

The increase in the Nova Scotias output does not come up to expectations. It was confidentially expected at the beginning of 1910 that an increase of 100,000 tons might be looked for. The increase is far short of that, though substantial. This is the first time that the present management at Sydney Mines made a miscalculation. It is attributed in largest part to the indisposition of the employees to work steadily.

While there have been large increase in shipments both did well. The North Atlantic Collieries was in a 1910 over 1909, that is nothing more than was to be ex- measure, disappointing, but things are bound soon to

Inverness did splendidly and Superintendent McGillivray is to be congratulated. A new man is in charge progress has been made during the past two years as at Port Hood, and the RECORD hopes to be able to extend congratulations to him next year.

The prospects for 1911 at the present writing are exthe continuance of the strike at Springhill and an in-cellent. There should be an increase over 1910 from sufficient supply of unskilled labor. Were one to go each of the coal producing counties. Indeed we are inover the names on the colliery pay rolls he would be apt clined to make a statement which in the past we have to exclaim: "Why, You have more than abundance hesitated to make, namely, that we look for an increase of underground labor." Seemingly there is abundance from every coal company in the Province whose output while the fact is that the many names on the roll is due exceeds 50,000 tons annually. We firmly believe that to the constant going and coming of loaders. A suffici- even the Drummond colliery, which was supposed to have reached its limit a few years ago, will do better The action of the foreign order, the U. M. W. is re- than last year, If the shipments for 1911 do not cross sponsible for the large decrease at Springhill and also the six million mark it will certainly be due to unforefor the decrease consequent in the shutting down of seen and untoward circumstances. The monthly ship-Chignecto colliery. The advent of the foreign order ments are given in another column. The total is as

THE MINING RECORD-

-TO THE MINING JOURNAL

The Mining Journal, Toronto, has an article in of December was a trifle optimistio, allowance had not last issue, in reply to some strictures of ours on the been made for stormy weather or for so much holiday Journal attitude towards reciprocity in coal. The Journals article is a compound of saccharine and The past year was a good year for the colliery work- sauce, so adroitly mixed, as to appeal to ones paciers. There was no idle time at the collieries and the fic rather than to his pugilistic inclinations. So be wages were fair. The operators one and all declare it sonny. A soft answer can at times do wonders, that there was not nearly so much profit for them as even turn aside anti-reciprocity wrath. The Journal the capital invested and the risks involved demanded. asserts that it is non-partizan and is no special ad-If coal mining be a hazardous employment, then vocate. Happy condition. Situated between the ous investment, and this is true however scornfully the Situated in the East and at the same time in the statement be thrust aside. Said a leading operator the centre of productiyeness, we frankly confess that we "I wish to heaven the government would take are not greatly caring what the desires of the West Two events of the year which may have far reach.

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Two events of the year which may have far reach. ing and beneficial effects, were the sale of the 'Cowans' ly tells us we are as blind as a bat, -in chaste lanareas at Port Morien and the transfer of all the property guage, however, for the Journal would never conof the Cumberland Railway and Coal Co'y to the Dom- descend to use so common phrase, classical though inion Steel corporation. Already on the property at it be. The Journal emphatically denies that it is in

favor of reciprocity. Thats clear and its better, and and by the Mining Record. If Tanner or Baillie repeat we must accept it, though we fear we are blind as the statement in Pictou County the miners will give before. Perhaps the blindness belongs elsewhere, them answer. and possibly the RPCORD detected the unconscious bias which the Journal fails to perceive. Further it were really ten. The RECORD's references to the sources, principally the products of the forest, society and so cosmopolitan that even Nova Scotians pletion of Nova Scotia's forests, while some are solicithad a large representation in the Council. To have one for free access of lumber to the United States, for a large representation in the Council does not appear the good of the province. Depletion is bad; greater to us to be of so much consequence as to have depletion is good? weight in its Counsels, and Nova Scotia never had that, and it is not to be expected she should, as Westerners were always in a majority. The Journal knows the great interest the RECORD has in the U. M. not, and yet but a little tlme ago billet-ballot-doux, red, pink, green, black were flying over the land. These may not have emanated from cliques, but from those who had a liking for the seemingly most fashionable of South American pleasantries. In its own man high in the organization, T. L. Lewis hes been de-place the Mining Institute is all right, if it only feated for re-election as national president by at least

- Rubs by Rambler.

In its New Years salutation to the RECORD the the mine workers was asked what brought about the for Messrs Tanner and Baillie who are perambulating due to his treatment of John Mitchell and other mine miners of Westville of their mis-conduct. We offer a reason or two and hope some one of them will be a full and satisfactory answer. 1st. We have not had time

Every local union will send representation to the to read one of Mr. Tanners new edition of letters to national convention which, will be held at Columbus and satisfactory answer. 1st. We have not had time Premier Murray in the Herald, let alone what the Stan- and a big fight is expected before the Lewis forces will dard says he is saying in Guysboro. 2nd. If Tauner concede their defeat." leave them to the tender mercies of the E. C. who can wallop them all right. 3rd. We think we noticed that the Chronicle had taken them to task, so hesitated to interfere. 4th. The Standard does not come to this office so have not lately seen nor read a copy of it, and therefore know nothing about the doings or sayings of Tanner and Baillie in Guysboro beyond, as stated, what we think we noticed in the E. C. and, were not in a position to make the requisite allowance for bias, that is to Glace Bay after a long and a worse than fruitless fight. much political fiction. To say that dear coal ruined the gold industry is not original with the two gentlemen gold industry is not original with the two generalized. In a literature attempt to compet vice in a moment of named. It was the pet assertion of Stuart of Truro, loch to produce the document which, in a moment of

is told us that the statement that a few American stand some Nova Scotians take in reference to reciproc-There are one or two things in connection with the immigrants and half a score of small colliery men ity that we do not affect to understand. For instance were raising all the fuss, carries its own eputation', we are told hat if lumber were admitted free into the All right; we consent to be corrected and to place United States, our lumbermen would be largely benefit the number of small colliery men at nine instead of ted. Why do not the Americans admit it free in face of ten, but we urge in extenuation of our error, that the assertion that their forests have become depleted the nine make every bit as much noise as if there and of the cry for the conservation of their natural re-Journal, we are told, with dignified micn, can be need Nova Scatta lumbermen worry seeing the U. S. overlooked. Just so, but not so when our unsane must have our lumber. And the same as regards fish, tified pen takes upon its polluted point to write the We are told that Gloucester, their great fishing port is sacred name "Canadian Mining Luctions". We day decodent. The Gloucester fleet of fishermen it is ased to smile at the suggestion that that comprehensertod are being driven on the sea. At the same time sive society should settle the point as to reciprocity the Lunenburg fleet is being largely added to— It does in coal. How dared we grin? It is a nor-partizan appear a little strange that many are deploring the de-

A correspondent presently in the United States, who W's, sends the following clipping which will not be pleasant reading for the coterie who manage to live on the fat things of the land without doing a decent days work. "According to a confidential letter received by a

local official of the The United Mine Workers from a feated for re-election as national president by at least fifty-nine thousand votes.

The actual result of the election, however, is not to be known before January 17, when the national convention will be held at Columbus, O. Mr. Lewis since the voting has announced several times the fact that he is confident of his re-relection, but judging from the tone of the letter that came into this city he is a badly de-

Eastern Chronicle asks why the RECORD does not go defeat of Mr. Lewis he announced that it was in a way that to the high price of coal is due the collapse of gold in regard to the manner in which the organization should be conducted and friends of Mitchell determined to administer a rebuke to Lewis and take him from the

THE COAL TRADE 1910

(Mr. Drummond in Herald)

When the history of the coal trade for 1910 comes to written the following may be classed as incidents: The complete surrender of the U. M. W. strikers at The continuation, by the foreign order, of the strike

until he was squelched at a Mining Society meeting excitement, he alleged was hidden in his breast pocket.

The wonderful expansion of the Joggins mines.

The cessation of work at Maccan after a heavy ex-

penditure by the Eastern Coal company

The closing down of Chignecto, due to the management having given the U. M. W. an inch not being able to see their way clear to grant their demands for

The closing down and non-working of several small

collieries in Cumberland County

The improved position of the Acadia Coal company, owing to the addition of close on \$2,000,000 to its cap-

The acquisition of the splendid properties of the Cumberland Railway and Coal company by the Domin-

ion Steel corporation.

The advent of new men at the head of the Dominion Coal company's affairs, and the election of Hector Mc-Innis, of Halifax as vice-president of the reconstituted Springhill company, and, by-the-bye, the excitement over the question of reciprocity in coal.

The expansion at the Joggins is remarkable from work. Moreover, when the new slope at the Joggins was started, there were some, looked upon as experts, who declared the location was a huge mistake, and that own the colliery would never make good. It has made good, wonderfully good, and the credit of the splendid work done is due to a young Nova Scotian, George B. Burchell

The Maritime Coal company made a hit when it secured Mr. Burchell as superintendent. Other men who have made good are Mr. J. Bntler, general manager of the Dominion Steel corporation, and D, H. Mcneed be said of him is that those critics who, on his appointment, shook their heads, now open their mouth in surprise. He has got good hold of the coal end of the big corporation, as well as of the steel end,

Mr. McDougall is now thoroughly at home in his His success was to be expected, as he is possessor of that ciencies of the others. beatitude which carries with it the promise of present

mundane and material advantages.

The closing down of the colliery of the Eastern Coal company at Maccan is greatly to be regretted, as it will third, if not second, on the list of provincial producers. have a tendency to make capital over cautious. There were piles of money expended, or should I not rather The cases of Mabou and Maccan are almost say spent. similar. There was lack of judgement in an over-expenditure on the surface before a knowledge had been obtained of what was underground. Mabou built pockets that rotted before there was coal to put into them, and an office that would accomodate fifty clerks; and at Maccan a palatial residence was built for the manager, and surface buildings erected, indicating a profusion of riches.

There have been far too many cases in Nova Scotia of elaborate preparations for cooking the goose before it was caught. The case of Maccan is another illustration of the unwisdom of taking too many things for granted. There may be thick seams at Maccan, but they

have not yet been struck.

The Colonial colliery, formerly the Toronto mine, shipped this season for the first time in thirty years. The amount shipped was about 15,000 tons. The colliery is completely equipped, capable of au output of

The opening up of a new colliery at Little Bras d'Or. 500 tons per day; there is a one-thousand ton pocket pier built within 200 feet of the bankhead. ing engine puts the coal into the pockets with the assistance of four men on the bankhead and pier. It is situated on the well known waterway known as the Little Bras d'Or gut. This waterway has not been navigable for vessels of any size on account of the en-The Domintrance to the Alantic being very shallow. ion government dredge, Cape Breton has been working at this bar since July and has almost completed one cut which is forty feet wide out to the Alantic. It is the intention of the government to dredge this cut one hundred feet wide next season and give a minimum depth of twenty-three feet.

For a considerable time back the shipments from Pictou county have been erratic, now up and next down.

At the present time shipments are away down, and on that account far from satisfactory, but hopes are high for the future. It can scarcely be expected that the Intercolonial Coal company will do better than at present. Indeed the Intercolonial, with its longest high angle slope on the continent, the depth of the mine, the the fact that the seam is classed as thin, and difficult to ramifications of its workings and the weight of the superincumbent strata on the coal is doing exceedingly well. It is a surprise to some how it so well holds its

To the Acadia Coal company, Pictou county looks for the retrievement of its lost prestige. From the Acadia Coal company big things are expected. First, that it soon will double its present output and later on treble, if not quadruple it, And this is looked for owing to a large addition to capital and the infusion of rich new blood. Capital, chiefly, if not wholly Belgian, to the amount of nearly two million dollars, has come into Dougall of the Dominion Coal company. The former its exchequer. This will give Harry Coll, who has been is too big a proposition for a short article, and all that calling for more room and bigger opportunities for expansion at the big Allan Shafts, his chance, and scope for his pent up energy.

From the Allan Shafts, by the end of the spring,

a thousend tons daily is expected

From the Old Albion, Mr. Ghuer, the new Belgian responsible position. His success is due mainly to the engineer, is calculating to secure at least another fact that when he took charge he did not even hint that thousand tons daily. And then there is the Acadia, and he knew everything, but displayed a willingness to learn. the Vale colliery to fall back upon to supply any defi-

The whole staff, from the energetic manager C. J. Coll, down, are in high feather and look forward to a development that will place the Acadia Coal company

MR. DRUMMOND IN CHRONICLE

As you are aware, there are a few in Nova Scotia, Dr. Kendall being in the forefront, who advecate Government operation of coal mines. I have furnished the genial Doctor with a dozen or more coal mines and areas which the Government could secure for the price of an old song, or thereabout, and have suggested that he tackle the Government to enter upon the premises at once and set to work with a will. The Doctor, by Government operation, wishes to demonstrate how cheaply coal can be sold. My motives may be mixed, but I have backed Dr. Kendall so that it may be shown how high is the cost of production. Very unkindly, the doctor has declined to have anything to do with any pie into which I might put a finger. Possibly he may have suspected that I was not wholly frank in my offers of assistance and pro-

bably he is not far wrong. I have regard for Pre-Loaders think there is too must discrepancy, bemier Marray and his colleagues who, I am sure, tween the pay of the miners and their pay, es-

I appear at this time as an advocate of Governly occurring in the operation or coal mines. A first class man would not be called upon to load; training mine might be a splendid and fitting apthe second class man would load two days per pendage to the Noxa Scotia TechnicalCollege. It week and the third class man four days. After a will be impossible here to go into details. Let a time the second and third class men would move

There is a serious problem now comfronting the mine operators and that is the underground From the Government Training Mine, where all But it looks as if things were moving in the direction when it will be unprofitable for mine own ers to employ boys in the mine. The age limit is tended to ten, then to twelve, and on to fourteen and the cry now is that the limit should be ex blem is the elimination of the horse and the boy by the substitution of mechanical haulage, but in some collieries there may be hindrances to the general application of this system and at others the roof were solid, requiring only simple timberthere may be lack of capital. Yet these may be ing, a shot could be fired on it, to produce conditovercome. Lovers of dumb animals, herbivorous, ions requiring cautious and skilful timbering, say the pit is no place for an animal that never The training colliery need not cost, all told, more sees a green thing; lovers of youth say that the than \$200,000 and a levy of a tenth of a cent per pit is no place for boys, as there they are free pit is no place for boys, as there they are free ton on the operators, which I am sure they would from restraint and proper control and subject to cheerfully pay, would cover the fixed charges.

The profits, of course, would go to the Mines Department. As I have said, a training mine the standard course, which the control of the manner of the control of the course find a remedy—as in the case of the horse cars.

The loader problem is the more difficult. In a The loader problem is the more difficult. In a would be or small account. The best previous year in the history of the trade hand a loader in each place. The miners are paid was 1908, with shipments of \$5,372,000. Not until is from \$2.50 to \$3,00 or over but whether it be had beaten all previous records as to the quantity these or five the say of the loader does not go be.

are often wearied and worried over the dispen- pecially as they claim they work quite as hard as sing of ordinary patronage, without the added the miners. One thing is certain mining is more horror of dispensing patronage of a colliery ex- congenial than loading. If the loader happens to pected to demonstrate how cheaply coal can be min- to be off, it is with a sour face, as a rule, -that ed, and how flagrantly the coal barons have been the miner goes loading. Largely on a count of this inequality in wage, loaders are scarce. Had ment operation of a coal mine, but not of the kind loaders. I incline to the belief that there would suggested by Dr. Kendall. In mining legislation have been an additional output of from 100,000 to ing, during the last thirty years, led the world, lost in royalty from \$16,000 to \$14,000, a loss which and that is still may lead is a reason why I now cannot be made good. And what is the remedy? propose Government ownership—of a kind. Let So far as I can see, abolish the loader and instead the present Local Government add to its commends of having two men and a loader in a place, have able record by the establishment of a Government three inners, ist, 2nd and ord class, it you will Training Mine Is it wrong to assume that the but all miners and all receiving a just share of Government, and not individuals or corporations, results. It would be manifestly unfair to pay the should be responsible for the education of the novice as much as either the man of large experpeople, whether that education be called common, ience or the man of limited experience. If the people, whether that education because common, lence of the man of influence experience. It the industrial or technical? The Government should place yielded \$7.50 a day or thirty shares of 25c purposes and the solution of the problems frequents shares, the second ten and the third eight. The y occurring in the operation of coat mines. A first class man would not be called upon to load; general statement, then, of reasons for the pro- up and a novice take the place of the latter, and

And where would these novices come from? the mine operators and that is the underground red the would be miners and timber-unskilled lai or, or loader question, and there is underground men would be miners and timberthe probability of a second problem very soon men and roadsmen in turns, and from which a the probability of a second problem very soon men and roadsmen in turns, and from which a perplexing them, and that is the "boy" question, novitiate, after a given period, say nine months, We have, in Nova Scotia, or are supposed to have, would be given his discharge papers and a necession one instance, a smokeless colliery however insary third-class certificate as miner. In the mine in one instance, a smokeness comery nowever in-sary time class cermicate as miner. In the mine congruous that may appear and we also have, the novices would be under instructions from an practically, a horseless colliery, but we have not experienced working miner, one miner to have charge of six places or so, but these are details, Of course the suggestion will be riddled and lots of questions asked. For instance, one may ask. bound to be extended. Time was when boys of how will the use of the safety lamp and methods of timbering be taught? That's simple. Professor Sexton, who has not quite scope enough for his tended to sixteen and sixteen it may be. Of class, with the necessary apparatus, to make exenergies, could take with him into the mine, his plosive gas, and having half filled a place with it, demonstrate how to test for gas, and after that, to make things realistic, he could set off the gas, and have a miniature and harmless explosion. If, ton on the operators, which I am sure they would

would be the complement of the Technical College, 'as without our coal mines that institution

three or five, the pay of the loader does not go be sold. With a strike on in Cape Breton the first (Continued on page 18.)

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RECAPITULATION.

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Note.-The total falls short of the approximate made three weeks ago for the Halifax papers, due wholly to the expected shipments of the Dominion Coal Co. not being realized. The shipments from C. B., Inverness and Pictou are reliable, while those from Cumberland are in part merely approximate.

Hround the Collieries.

The Canadian Pictorial, published by the Witness Co'y., Montreal, is getting better, if that be possible, each issue. The pictures are the work of real artists though the price of the Pictorial is only a dollar a year.

The Eastern Coal Co'y., it seems, committed an unpardonable blunder when they refrained from appointing that emminent geologist, J. T. Smith of Amherst, who can define the relationship between Marsh hay and Marsh gas, as their Consulting Engineer. Given the

The RECORD is gladdened to learn that there is the prospect of a kick up at Glace Bay. The participants in the affair will be Vice-President Butler, assisted by Supt. McDougall, and H. J. McCann, Supt. of Stores. Though the latter is a fighter he will in this instance the bodies of the overmen. quietly take what the RECORD believes to be his det serts and submit to being kicked up. If the reporturns out correct then the RECORD will be able to affirm that wisdom and foresight did not step out when the present management of the big company stepped in.

A writer in the Halifax Herald signing himself J. T. Smith, Amherst, a bumptious chap, sets out to show Nova Scotia, and has succeeded beyond peradventure. The probability is that J. T. Smith is interested in some is: "Whether the explosion cause of the little seams in the Maccan district. The RECORD were the occasion of the explosion. has heard of some Cumberland Smiths in the past and perhaps J. T. is of the number. In proof of his wisdom perhaps J. T. is of the number. In proof of his wisdom gow and was in the pit for hours, as was also T. J.

He says there is no comparison between the Maccan Brown and other of the officials. mine and Mabou, as the latter was flooded. Thou fool If money had not been thrown away at Mabou there aggerated accounts of the catastrophe, the accident in would have been sufficient to prevent the inflow of wat- all conscience is bad enough. the grief of the bereaved er, or to do a little pumping and repairing if it had got in. Smith does nt seem to know that Mabou fictitous descriptions of scorched bodies and mutilated

We hear much these days about the high cost of living. The chief plea put forward in the past year .000 for increase in wages was that the cost of necessaries made it impossible to live on the wages given. How much is there to this plea. Take the case of the men at Springhill for instance. If men can get along without any wages at a colliery and live on small benefactions, how can they do it if living be high. And if 000 men prefer to remain idle at a colliery for a year and a 744 half, when they could obtain good work and wages 000 elsewhere, how can they do it if living be high. One ,000 is apt to conclude that the cry of the cost of living needs some explanation.

Says the News-Sentinel:

Mr. Butler is expected in Springhill again next week. but it is stated on the best authority from the local headquarters, that he has no intention of meeting a committee of the men. So the battle will go on, and a great many people in Springhill will be glad, because having become Lotus earers once, there is no very ardent wish on the part of a good many to return to the muscular activities of life again.

Picketting was resumed in town again on Thursday, after a respite of two or three weeks, and on the same day the Co. had new papers served on some of the more active U. M. W. workers on a charge of contempt of court in violating an anti-picketting injunction granted in Halifax some five or six weeks ago.

Misfortunes seldom comes singly, Just as the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Company were recovering from the effects of the burning of the No. 1 Compressor came the calamity at No. 3 involving the loss of eight lives. This is the worst accident that has occurred in C. B. in half a century An explosion occurred at 4 p. m. on Tuesday, in the lower portion of the pit, somewhere between No. 12 and 14 levels. Five of the men killed were single and three married. Of the eight three fitting opportunity he could add two cubits to the statidle for two or three days on account of the holidays. were deputies and five shiftmen. The pit had been The explosion was violent, but confined to a limited section of the mine, and was not followed by fire, Preceding or accompanying the explosion occurred heavy falls in the roadways which crushed and killed half of the number and cut off the escape of the others. These falls hindered for a time all attempts to locate the bodies of the overmen. Near to Ferguson's body, which was the last discovered, were picked up the top and bottom parts of a safety lamp. One statement has it that the gas put out the light and Ferguson endeavored to relight it. The other is that from some cause his light went out and not suspecting gas, as none had ev-er been reported in the mine, he opened his lamp and struck a match, which set off the gas. that he is entirely ignorant of coal mining conditions in RECORD is inclined to accept, for reasons which must the scanty evidence to hand the latter is the theory the be obvious. A question which the inquest may decide "Whether the explosion caused the falls or the falls

Thomas Cantley hurried to the scene from New Glas-

acute enough without the addition of highly colored was idle, from lack of money, for weeks before the wat-remains, and without the narration of incidents that never happened and interviews that never took place.

AROUND THE COLIERIES.

Mr. J. T. Smith of Amherst has written to the Halifax Herald on the "Maccan" areas. His style is after va Scotia. A J. T. Smith of Amherst has a mineral the manner of an Amherst lawyer trying to bully a J. P. in a Scott Act case.

Sydney has got the reputation of being a dear place the coal, and minimises the strata, to live in. Well it is a little dearer than some places, but it is not quite so hard pushed as Amherst, and is a to farm products, fish and certain other requisites.

Had the accident not occurred at Sydney No. 3 it was the intention of the Nova Scotia Steel & Coal Co. to lay the colliery up for the better part of this month may not be attributed to it as the cause.

The firm of J. W. Cumming and Son, New Glasgow, famous as makers of miners tools, did a splendid trade during 1910. Their specialties have taken well in the West as well as in the East. A number of car loads of their wares went out West last summer and ming is a hustler.

In British Columbia, where the U. M. W. claim to be strong and to be leading the miners to El-dorado, the death rate from accidents in mines for the ten years Isern says the RECORD is of opinion that living at the 1899 to 1908 was 9.21 per 1,000 men employed. Nov4 Scotia, the land which the U. M. W., aided by McLaughlan, came to emancipate, the death rate for the same period was 2.67 per 1,000. Of course while the figures show Nova Scotia to be far in front of British Columbia it is still far behind Britain, where the fatal accident rate is only 1.29 per 1,000.

neither a trainman nor a miner is placed in the mining list. Agriculture is debited with the death of a farmgaged putting farm produce in the cellar or taking produce for market from it, the placing of his name on the table is correct, but if he was doing house chores, getting wood for the fire or such like then his name should have been omitted from the list.

go, but the Greenings, of the big wire works, Hamilton, go on, if not forever, then without break. There are four generations of Greenings now in connection with the works. Nathaniel, who started the business in England, Benjamin, who set the wheels in motion in Hamilton, Ont.; S. O. Greening, the President of the Greening Wire Co., and H. B., the youthful managing director. And as the members of the family increase so do with the spirit of the men of the eighties, who could the works grow and the business extends.

There will be no future use for mineral rods in Noeye which enables him to locate coal seams and declare their depths to within fourteen days boring. The only defect noticable in the "eye" so far is that it magnifies

The Montreal Witness, which in the past has been good deal cheaper place than Halifax: that is, in regard inclined to be a little conservative as to price has determined to follow the practice of some of its big contemporaries and make the price for the Daily Witness one dollar a year, and for the Weekly only fifty cents. It may not be said that there is in Canada an out and out independent newspaper, but the Witness comes as near for a general redintegration. The accident may lead the ideal as practicable. It is ably edited, and very freq-to a modification of plans, so that any cessation of work—uently the "letters to the editor" afford instructive and interesting information, and are as outspoken as the Witness itself.

A Mr. Isern of Springhill, talking to the St. John Globe said that he did not know how they managed it, but the people seemed to be able to live on the amount, that is the dole, they get from the U. M. W., which afall and these will be followed by more. The prospects mounts in the case of single men to about \$3,00 a week, of the firm are excellent for this year. Young Chm- and of married men from \$4.00 to \$6.00, according to the number of children in a family. Mr. Isern should not have said they were able to live on that omount, for it takes away a forcible argument from the workingmen who often quote high cost of living as a reason why they should receive higher wages. Notwithstanding what present time costs high and the fact that the Springhill men can get along on a few dollers a week is an object lesson in frugality and thrift, and shows how much workingmen could lay bye if so minded.

The RECORD is in receipt of a communication from one who is a miner and claims to be 'a friend to the The table of fatal accidents in the Labor Gazette is that the present condition of affairs at Springhill is due killed by being run over the condition of affairs at Springhill is due to the incapacity and unwisdom of the Ruling Commitkilled by being run over by a coal train and who was tee. These cannot lead the men in a right and manly If the Company would make a fair settlement there are fifty men ready to start work. The tyranny er who fell down the cellar stair. If the farmer was en- of the understrappers has been a source of trouble. The correspondent suggests an agreement equitable to all concerned for a term of years, this to be in writing and to contain no hint of recognition of the U. M. W.

The RECORD has known for sometime that many of the men would like to resume work but are restrained from fear of the leaders and some boys. The REC-Like the brook, men and managers may come and ORD might have sympathy with these if we could understand how able bodied men, good workmen and generally industrious, can be bamboozled by men who would shrink an honest days work so long as they can feed on the bread of charity, Apart from the leaders is there a sane man among the Springhill strikers who really believes that the U. M. W. are spending thousands for the pure love of the brethren. O for men. fight but who also could reason.

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months of the year, it was scarcely to be hoped that 1910 would make so fine a showing.

The prospects for 1911 are most promising. Should no untoword event arise, 191; should go as far ahead of 1910 as 1910 ahead of its predeces-

A word as to Springhill. Some say the writer is in favor of the capitalists That may be, but does not prevent him being friendly to the industrious and well behaved workingmen. still friends left to him in their ranks, and to those at Springhill 1 have a word to say, even though my motives be misconstrued. think that the advent of the Dominion Steel Cor-Some poration to Springhill means an early and amicable settlement of the strike. I believe it means an early settlement; as to the other, that has to be seen. Depend upon it, the corporation did not secure the Springhill property to work it at a loss. If the men now idle remain so much longer, or obstruct those new at work, then, like a thunder clap will come the order to cease operations and discontinue hoisting coal. The future of Springhill is in the balance. This is a time for the exereise of prudence and wisdom and the suppression

WHITE DAMP AND BLACK DAMP.

write dampts the gas most leared by the himers, an isolated including in an expansive properties render it difficult to detect, inasmuch ramme arranged by alien robbers and assassine. mixed in the proportion of about one part gas to nine parts air is called "fire damp," and becomes explosive to a degree hard to realize unless one has seen its effects. Black damp, unlike white damp, is heavier than air, a non-explosive gas, which may be detected by its pe-Again, unlike the other, its effect is to conary cools. Again, mines the signs is so heavy and sufficient and extinguish fire. This gas is so heavy and moves with such a sluggish flow that occasionally, when miners have been trapped in a mine following an explosion and have detected the black damp creeping in upon them by its smell, they have been able to stop its advance by erecting dams or barricades along the floor, building them higher as the volume of gas increased, and keeping the air within their little inclosure comparatively by rude improvised fans. Following an explosion, these two gases became mingled, and form a mixed gas possessing all the dreaded qualities of each which is known as "after damp," and it is this mixture of gases which destroys any life that may remain foll-

Says the News and Sentinel. - "There has been considerable discussion in Springhill over the statement in the News last week that the men could of had a conference with General Manager Butler when he was in Springhill on his first inspection visit some two or three Geipel Expansion Traps weeks ago. In official circles there is considerable disposition to say that the statement was not correct, while in the ranks of the U. M. W. there is a disposition to Steam Gauges hide behind the excuse that if Mr. Butler wanted to meet the men he should have sent notice to that effect. Whatever may be said either one way or the other, one fact remains and can be proven if need be, that if the men on strike had requested a chance of meeting Mr.

Butler when he was in Spripghill, the opportunity would have been given, and there is no doubt that much headway could have been made towards a settlement o, the strike.

The telegram from Montreal by Mr. Rhodes was authorative in every sense of the word, and while he stated that it was not his piace to advise the men yet he did*suggest to Mr. Watkins in the most urgent words possible that he hoped an effort would be made to get in touch with Mr. Butler and see what could be done. There is nothing more that need be said about the matter now than this, that a fine opportunity was lost for the men to present their grievances to the new management, and that such an opportunity may not occur again

The police are not on the sent of the miscreants involved in the murder of the three policemen at Houndsditch, and from the latest sensational discoveries in a house in Gold street, Stepney, it would appear that they are succeeding in rounding up an expert and murderous gang of foreign housebreakers,

The house which has been raided, and which gave up, as spoils to the police, acids used in the manufacture of explosives, a long sheath dagger, magazine pistol, Mauser dum-dum bullets, revolver cartridges, etc., is said to be the residence of the man Gardstein, now dead, and whose real name is supposed to be Poloski Mormountzeff. This seizure is one of the greatest importance, and suggested that the Houndsditch attemp-White damp is the gas most feared by the miners, an isolated incident in an extsusive predatory prog-

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Whatever advantages the imported American slack may have over Nova Scotian they are far more than offset by the big disadvantage that it is subject to spontaneous combustion and that is a serious, and as in this case, a costly item. It strikes us that Nova Scotia coal would be more profitable to the Gas Co'y. in the long The Montreal Star, referring to the fire, says:-

"This place (the dump) is in the vicinity of the gas plant of the Montreal Light, Heat and Power Company. Residents there have complained to the city health authorities of the nuisance of the smoke and gas fumes arising from the coal dump.

"A representative of the Star visited the place and found the conditions were very bad. The coal dump is of huge dimensions, extending about sixty feet parallel with Ontario street and more than one hundred back along de Levis street, while it is some twenty-five feet in height. Here and there the fire is perceptible, and from the summit there rises a blinding, choking smoke, which permeates the houses in the immediate neighborhood and constitutes a grave danger to health.

"One of the men engaged at the works, when quesamong the coal 'for about a month.' A gang of men were removing the coal by shovelling it into a relay of earts, and the men and teams are said to be engaged on wood and grain is explosive; it is only within three years in attempts to subdue the fire, and the employes turn ion of the Washburn and five other flour mills of Minon water from a line of hose pipe when the fire becomes neapolis May 2nd. 1878, was caused by a dust explosion.

WHO IS NATIONAL PRESIDENT?

Two or three weeks ago came the announcement that John P. White of Iowa, who was supported by the Mitchell faction, had ousted Lewis from the presidency of the U. M. W. Later this announcement was contradicted and the assertion made that Lewis had been elected by a plurality of, as different reports had it, from 4,000 to 40,000. The friends of John Mitchell and J. P. White still maintain that Lewis is out and White in. White had the support of the turbulent Illinois section, and some figures are going the rounds which tend to show that his friends have grounds for their belief that he will be National President next year. The United States operators would much prefer to have Lewis than

. White. Our hope is that White is elected, for while Lewis is probably the more moderate and cautious man, his interference in the affairs of Nova Scotia shows that he lacks penetration or that he thinks of Lewis first. He has made a most of things in Nova Scotia. The money of the poor Slavs, Poles and Huns, who constitute the largest proportion of the membership of the U. M. W. has been lavishiy scattered in vain, and while depleting the treasury at Indianapolis, has undermined the manliness of the beneficiariea of the foreign society. Little wonder that those things which tend to the comforts' the social position and the morals of the U. M. W. members in the U. S. have been overlooked. The warring factions have no time to devote to the strengthen their following they have to devote their time to forging big promises of big wages and declaring war against the greedy grinding operators

A CONTEMPLATED MINE EXPLOSION

The United States government has been fully awakened to the necessity of preventing if possible so great loss of life in the coal mines of that country, as will be gathered from the following from a U. S. paper:

"The bureau of mines is preparing to touch off an explosion in a real coal mine to demonstrate the explosibility of coal dust

Some say that the government experiments at Pittsburg have only a theoretical value because they are conducted in a steel tank and not in a mine. The government is trying to hammer into the heads of the doubters that it is coal dust, not gas, that causes the most terrible mine disasters. They will buy a mine and blow it up to prove it.

The experimental explosives will have all the characteristics of the real disaster without the usual loss of life, for there will be no one in the government mine tioned about the matter, 'guessed' that the fire had been have been driven out the experts will enter and study the when the dust explodes. When the poisonous gases effects of the explosion.

this labor night and day. The company is also said to that they have discovered that coal dust as an explosive

It has been determined beyond doubt that the Monongah horror, the most terrible in history, was caused by coal dust. In all, 1.148 men lost their lives by dust explosions in 1907, and 469 in 1908.

The dust may become so thick in the air that it becomes explosive. A heavy blasting charge or a crossed electric wire may touch it off. As the flash travels, slow at first, it begins to stir up dust. In a few seconds the flame is travelling at a tremendeous rate, sometimes nearly a half a mile a second. Ahead of it is pushed tornado of whirling air, raising a thick train of dust for the flame to feed on. Its passing lasts only an instant, but that twinkling of an eye will turn a solid facing of coal into voke half an inch thick. The heat sometimes reaches 5000 degrees.

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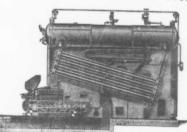
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