

EXPORT AMERICAN COAL

To the United Kingdom is Simply a Piece of Spreadingeism.

(From Canadian Trade Review.)
The coal famine that is now exciting interest in Great Britain is the direct result of the prosperity of the manufacturing interests and the consequent expansion in the quantity of coal consumed, aggregated by the strike in Wales which cut off for a time one-sixth of the whole British supply of coal. It does not result from any decline in the amount of coal mined. For as a matter of fact Britain last year produced 220,085,303 tons—about one-third of the world's total output—as against 202,054,516 tons in 1898. And in 1899 Britain exported 55,335,300 tons as against 48,209,000 tons in 1898. Last year Britain shipped coal to every country on the Continent, sending in all nearly forty million tons. And what little United States coal has been to purchased by the British dealers has been to satisfy the Continental demand. France's consumption is so great that it will require 12,000,000

tons this year more than it can get from its own mines. The long strike in Anstria has caused there exceptional demands upon outside sources of supply. Russia's industrial consumption of coal has also mounted up to that in the first four months of the present year that country imported from Great Britain alone 1,200,000 tons more than in the corresponding period of 1899. The full development of Russia's own coal areas is being retarded by many causes, of which lack of transportation facilities is one. It is not probable that American coal will ever go to feed British factories, but if it goes to feed some of the foreign factories and coaling stations hitherto fed from South Wales and the North of England it will reduce the drain on British fields.

The fact is that most of this talk of the importation of American coal into Britain is simply a piece of American self-glorification. As Commercial Intelligence points out, it could not be profitably laid down there at existing rates. The freight rates vary from 16s 9d to 18s per ton, and for Southern coal fields there is a further 4s per ton between the collieries and tide-water, so that the transport alone absorbs from 20s to 22s not to speak of the cost of raising the coal, and the cost of cleaning, screening, commission, etc. In other words it is not to be expected that coal from any part of the United States can be delivered to-day in any part of the United Kingdom for less than 24s or 25s per ton. Now, American coal delivered for this figure in the Thames might possibly for a little while compete with north-country coal in the pool, but only for a little while, and it would be a lean business at that. The ordinary cost of American coal at the pit's mouth in ordinary lean years is about 4s to 4s 6d per ton. The corresponding price of British coal is between 6s and 7s per ton. Hence the usual difference between the two descriptions is 2s to 2s 6d per ton. This has been the situation up to within the last two years or so. We should like to know how the Americans are likely to ship coal to Europe, and compete with British coal, on a normal of only 2s to 3s per ton. It is suggested that vessels can be purchased or built of 10,000 to 12,000 tons, and can carry the traffic much cheaper than it is carried at present. We grant that the freight rate of 16s 9d to 18s may be reduced and possibly may be reduced before long; but we do not believe that it will ever be brought under 10s as a regular thing, but the coal vessel is not likely to get any return cargo—at least not to an extent to speak of—and the history of sea transportation does not, as far as we know, supply any examples of normal freights over six thousand miles of sea for less than 10s per ton, if, indeed it can be done for that figure.

Moreover, American coal cannot compete in fuel value with that of the Wales. This was proved in Buenos Ayres where it was found that the much-talked-of Pocahontas coal was of far poorer quality than Welsh, and the increased quantity required to be used and the much larger quantity of ash is produced caused the cost of freight compared with that of Welsh to be much increased. Consequently whenever Welsh coal can be secured no large steam raiser will use American. What lots of American coal have been purchased have been for emergent supplies by consumers who had to have their coal at once and could not wait for Welsh coal. That is all. The idea that American coal can find an opening in British factories at present prices is simply a piece of American spreadingeism. Nothing more.

COAL IN ARCTIC ISLANDS.

Measures Taken To Open Up a Large and Valuable Supply.

BERLIN, Oct 17—Reports published here seem to indicate the opening up of a new and valuable coal supply in the arctic islands. That coal exists there is well known, and extensive operations to procure it are apparently impending. Several companies have been formed in Norway to mine Arctic coal. Mines have already been opened at Icefjord and Spitzbergen. The coal is declared to be excellent. The strata are above the sea level. Three of the strata are from six to nine feet. It is said that the whole demand of Northern Norway can be supplied for an unlimited period from his source. This coal, however must be transported in lighters to the ships, and piers must be removed every winter to prevent their being destroyed by ice.

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COLLISION UNDERGROUND.

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