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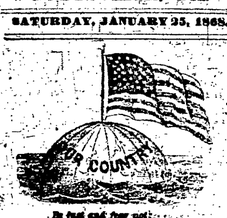

"In fast and fear not;
Let all the ends thou aim'st at be thy country's,
Thy God's and truth's."

COAL TRADE OF THE UNITED STATES.

We present our readers this week with our usual Coal Statistics embracing the whole product of Anthracite and nearly all the Semi-Bituminous and Bituminous that is moved towards the seaboard. The whole supply of Anthracite

In 1867 was.....12,650,571 Tons.
" 1866 " .....12,379,490 "

Increase of Anthracite 1867 ..... 271,081 "
1867.—Semi-Bituminous and Bituminous..... 2,255,738 "

Decrease in 1867..... 2,338,316 "

Making the whole increase for the year, 188,508 tons.

The whole supply for 1867, in the United States we estimate as follows:

Supply of Anthracite sent to market (official).....12,650,571 Tons.
Semi Bituminous and Bituminous in table (official).. 2,255,738 "

.....14,906,309 "

Consumed in the different Anthracite Regions, (estimated)..... 2,000,000 "

.....16,906,309 "

Bituminous mined and consumed in the United States not embraced in our tables (estimated)..... 8,893,691 "

Making the whole supply of Coal mined in the United States in 1867.....25,800,000 "

Of the supply of anthracite mined, amounting to 14,650,571 tons, there were upwards of 5,000,000 tons, more than one-third, that did not reach the sea-board, but was consumed in the Coal Regions, sent to the interior, and on the lines of the different carrying companies. The consumption in the valley of the Schuylkill, and on the line of the Lehigh leading from Mauch Chunk to Bristol, was upwards of 2,000,000 tons, as follows:

	Tons.
On the line of the Schuylkill.....	1,107,826
Between Mauch Chunk and Bristol	912,325
	2,020,159

The coal trade has not been so unprofitable in this region since 1861, as it was in 1867. In this region we believe there was an average loss on the whole trade to the producers. The roundabout way to the principal market, at New York; the high charges on the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad; the difficulty of shipping coal from Philadelphia to the East for the want of vessels, when there is a demand for it—together with our inability to send coal direct to New York harbor in the winter season, except from a few collieries in the East Mahanoy Basin, will always embarrass and cripple the coal business in this County. With a new outlet leading to New York harbor direct, the trade from this County would double in a few years, and prosperity would then prevail throughout the whole County.

The other regions, with a choice of markets, have been more prosperous, although they did not realize the usual profits.

If we can prevail upon Congress to take the internal taxes off our domestic manufactures, and adjust the tariff in the interest of American, and not European interests, this winter, the markets will take a million tons increase of Anthracite in 1868, provided transportation is reduced, so as to give to labor and the producer the reduction as their profit, and thus keep prices at about last year's rates. But without protection to American industry, the business will prove as disastrous this year, as it was the last. If it pays so as to start all the collieries, their capacity will be found equal to furnish any increase that may be wanted. We append the official statement in detail:

Regions.	1866. Tons.	1867. Tons.	Incr.	Decr. Tons.
Southern Regions.				
By Reading R. R	4,425,413	3,999,580		425,833
By Schuyl. Canal	1,707,047	1,600,235		106,812
By Mahay. & Lehi.	1,221,435	830,166	115,015	
From Pinegrove..	91,100	97,262	8,862	
Less Leh'h. Shar. & Lackawanna.	8,067,233	4,527,243	122,777	592,645
	423,666	262,645		161,021
	4,643,567	4,264,598	122,777	431,624
	4,354,820			122,777
Decrease in 1867..	288,667			308,667
Lehigh Regions.				
By Lehigh V R R.	1,754,475	1,944,385	217,910	
By Lehigh Canal	1,053,205	1,006,604		59,699
	2,707,778	2,954,989	217,910	
Less Wyoming Coal	748,215	452,925	105,711	
	2,459,560	2,502,064	109,199	56,699
				52,500
Increase in 1867, Wyoming Region.		43,504	43,504	
Wyoming Canal N.	463,642	369,699		94,943
North Branch " N.	166,943	83,376		23,567
Penn. Coal Co..	452,394	245,648	226,746	
Scranton, North	433,870	516,657	82,787	
Do. South	1,064,450	1,263,664	118,214	
Del. & Hudson Co	1,326,344	1,442,282	115,938	
Lack. & Bloom. S	465,180	420,310		44,870
By Lehigh	564,215	452,925	105,711	
	4,736,582	5,194,561	754,698	167,980
	4,736,582			162,980
Increase in 1867.		591,718	591,718	
Shamokin Region.	697,161	485,697		71,464
	485,697			
Increase in 1867..	71,464			71,464
Total Anthracite.	12,379,490	12,650,571		
		12,379,490		
Total Inc. in 1867		271,081		
Semi-Anthracite.				
Short Mt. Coal Co.	112,851	89,288		23,563
Lykens Valley Co	36,950	26,106	89,156	
Summit Branch C.	70,119	161,277	91,158	
Treverton "	63,645	48,118		5 730
Broad Top "	205,720	244,417		21,303
Breakwater, Cumberland Coal	343,173	284,292	41,149	
Balt. & Ohio R.R. Imported	642,891	571,906		41,985
	2,838,316	2,255,738	131,826	270,413
Add Anthracite..	12,379,490	12,650,571		137,826
		14,717,806		92,978
Total tons.	14,717,806	14,906,309		
Total Inc. in 1867		188,503		

*The whole quantity of Coal transported over the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad in 1867 was 3,446,980 tons. Of this quantity 347,246 tons were principally Bituminous Coal, received at Harrisburg, and a small quantity of Anthracite, reported in the tables.

†The whole coal trade of Pinegrove was 187,817 tons. The balance is reported in the Reading Railroad tonnage.

‡Of this quantity 21,170 tons were sent via Delaware and Hudson Canal.

§Of this quantity 38,455 tons was coal belonging to the Union Coal Co., and 21,170 for the Penn Coal Co.

The Wyoming Region furnished in '67..	Tons. 5,323,000
" Schuylkill " " "	4,314,820
" Lehigh " " "	2,502,054
" Shamokin " " "	485,697
	12,650,571
To which may be added consumption in Regions	2,000,000
Total mined in 1867	14,650,571

The loss and gain in 1867 was as follows:

	LOSS.	GAIN.
Wyoming Region		591,718
Schuylkill	298,667	
Lehigh		49,494
Shamokin	71,464	
	370,131	641,212
		370,131
Gain of Anthracite in 1867		271,081

To show how rapidly Schuylkill County is losing her position, we give the shipments from the Schuylkill, Lehigh and Wyoming Regions for a series of years:

	Schuylkill.	Wyoming.	Lehigh.
1860	3,271,514	2,941,617	1,821,674
1861	2,991,489	3,055,140	1,738,377
1862	2,890,538	3,145,770	1,351,054
1863	3,433,255	3,759,610	1,894,718
1864	3,642,218	3,960,836	2,054,669
1865	3,735,802	3,256,658	2,040,918
1866	4,633,487	4,736,616	2,458,560
1867	4,334,820	5,328,000	2,502,054

A glance at the above figures will show that in 1860, Schuylkill County sent more Coal to market than from Wyoming. In 1867, the Wyoming has increased nearly a million tons over the Schuylkill Regions, while Schuylkill County contains more Coal than the Wyoming Region.

Many of the landholders, complain that they are not receiving sufficient rents to pay expenses—others are losing more than half the Coal in their lands, because the operators are forced to "rob" the collieries in order to keep them going. Other coal land is almost entirely ruined by the manner in which it is worked, and has depreciated nearly one-half in value, in consequence. A large number of collieries have been standing idle during the year, pumping water at a great expense, because the proprietors found they could do better by buying Coal from other parties than to mine Coal themselves and pay the high rates of transportation from Schuylkill County to New York. And notwithstanding this depression in the coal trade, the Reading Railroad Company, according to their report, have earned a dividend of 10 per cent., and also added to the Sinking Fund, in consequence of their high rates of transportation. The result, however, is that we do not know of a single new colliery preparing in this Region, and a number have been abandoned.

If the landholders will not take any means to relieve themselves from these difficulties, we would advise them to sell out their property as speedily as possible, if they want to realize anything like a fair value.

ANTHRACITE COAL TRADE OF THE UNITED STATES.

The following Table exhibits the Anthracite Coal sent to Market from the different Regions in Pennsylvania, from the commencement of the Trade, in 1820, to 1867, inclusive, to which is appended the Semi-Anthracite and Bituminous trade moved towards the seaboard, together with the Importations of Foreign Coal, and the Exportation of Domestic Coal:

HARD ANTHRACITES.

YEARS.	SCHUYLKILL. CANAL.	SCHUYLKILL. R'ROAD.	SCHUYLKILL. TOTAL.	SOLD ON LINE OF SCHUYL.	LEHIGH. FIRE-GROVE,	LEHIGH. LITTLE SCHUYL.	LEHIGH. CANAL.	LEHIGH. RAILROAD.	LEHIGH. TOTAL.	WYOMING REGION. BY LE-HIGH R.R.	WYOMING REGION. DEL. & HUD. COAL CO.	WYOMING REGION. PENNA. COAL CO.	WYOMING REGION. BY CANAL.	WYOMING REGION. G. WEST'N RAILROAD.	WYOMING REGION. L. & B. R. R.	WYOMING REGION. TOTAL.	SHAMO-KIN.	AGGRE-GATE.	ANNUAL INCREASE.
1820							365		365									365	
1821							1,078		1,078									1,073	708
1822	1,495		1,495				2,240		2,240									3,720	2,647
1823	1,128		1,128				5,823		5,823									6,951	3,231
1824	1,567		1,567				9,541		9,541									11,108	4,157
1825	6,500		6,500				28,393		28,393									34,893	23,785
1826	16,767		16,767				31,280		31,280									48,047	13,154
1827	31,360		31,360				32,074		32,074									63,434	15,387
1828	47,294		47,294			3,154	30,232		30,232									77,716	14,282
1829	79,973		79,973			3,332	25,110		25,110		7,000					7,000		112,083	34,367
1830	186,059		186,059			7,486	166,131		166,131		7,000					7,000		359,190	63,651
1831	89,984		89,964			5,321	41,750		41,750		43,000					43,000		174,734	2,096
1832	81,854		81,854			6,159	40,966		40,966		54,000					54,000		176,820	167,093
1833	209,271		209,271		14,000	10,045	70,000		70,000		84,000					84,000		363,271	186,451
1834	252,971		252,971		40,000	13,429	123,000		123,000		111,777					111,777		487,748	123,477
1835	226,692		226,692		54,000	19,428	106,244		106,244		43,700					43,700		376,636	111,112
1836	339,508		339,508		41,000	18,571	131,250		131,250		90,000					90,000		560,758	184,122
1837	432,045		432,045		35,000	17,955	148,211		148,211		105,861					105,861		694,117	133,359
1838	823,152		823,152	17,000	31,000	21,778	223,902		223,902		115,397					115,397		879,444	185,327
1839	433,875		433,875	13,000	13,000	28,775	213,615		213,615		78,207					78,207		726,697	140,747
1839	442,608		442,608	20,589	9,000	30,390	221,025		221,025		129,300				11,930	141,230		818,403	79,805
1840	3,031,960		3,031,960	50,589	217,000	171,725	1,319,963		1,319,963		846,832					846,832	11,930	5,261,197	45,982
1840	452,291		452,291	23,980	20,000	28,924	225,318		225,318		148,470					148,470	15,505	864,384	45,982
1841	584,602	850	585,452	17,653	40,000	41,223	143,037		143,037		192,270					192,270	21,463	959,973	95,589
1842	491,692	49,902	541,594	32,381	37,000	40,284	272,546		272,546		202,599		47,346			249,945	10,000	1,108,418	148,445
1843	447,056	230,254	677,312	22,905	31,000	34,619	267,793		267,793		255,353		58,000			313,353	10,000	1,263,598	155,180
1844	898,597	441,491	840,278	34,916	57,000	60,000	377,002		377,002		221,005		114,908			335,913	13,067	1,630,850	367,252
1845	993,267	830,227	1,823,736	47,928	74,000	90,000	429,453		429,453		273,435		144,401			417,836	10,000	2,013,015	382,165
1846	3,440	1,233,142	1,236,582	58,926	91,000	155,460	517,116	5,986	523,102		299,000		192,503			491,503	12,253	2,344,005	330,992
1847	222,698	1,360,681	1,583,374	67,457	106,401	226,619	633,507		633,507	10,466	388,203		284,396			683,067	14,904	2,982,309	638,304
1848	436,092	1,216,233	1,652,325	61,530	162,626	252,637	670,321		670,321	10,425	437,500		277,271			725,196	19,356	3,097,238	206,929
1849	489,306	1,115,918	1,605,126	78,299	174,758	229,290	781,656		781,656	19,590	454,240		259,090			732,910	19,650	3,217,681	128,403
1850	3,790,960	6,469,708	10,358,740	445,855	783,788	1,169,547	4,317,749		4,317,749	46,307	2,897,981		1,371,905			4,216,253	146,537	19,373,429	25,325
1850	288,020	1,423,977	1,712,097	76,919	211,940	207,863	630,456		630,456	32,156	441,405	111,014	243,250			827,823	19,921	3,321,136	103,435
1851	579,156	1,650,270	2,229,426	none.	310,977	312,367	964,224		964,224	25,072	479,078	316,017	336,000			1,156,167	24,999	4,329,590	1,008,264
1852	800,038	1,650,912	2,450,950	66,543	325,099	322,211	1,072,136		1,072,136	41,890	497,165	426,164	319,941			1,284,500	25,846	4,999,975	570,445
1853	883,695	1,582,248	2,470,943	80,660	389,295	394,078	1,054,309		1,054,309	26,235	494,327	512,659	442,511			1,475,732	15,500	5,097,134	197,159
1854	907,574	1,787,854	2,695,428	91,462	444,184	444,160	1,207,196		1,207,196	39,252	440,944	496,648	492,689	133,965		1,603,478	63,500	5,831,834	734,690
1855	1,105,263	2,213,292	3,318,555	112,213	426,206	471,851	1,275,050	9,065	1,284,115	50,209	565,465	504,803	464,089	197,000		1,771,512	116,117	6,486,097	654,263
1856	1,169,453	2,068,903	3,238,356	157,152	454,515	520,499	1,186,230	165,740	1,351,970	44,270	499,650	612,500	510,631	395,530		1,972,581	137,406	6,751,542	256,445
1857	1,275,989	1,709,652	2,985,641	145,012	346,877	511,972	900,314	418,235	1,318,549	37,959	480,639	636,008	407,914	490,023		1,952,603	155,806	6,431,378	320,164
1858	1,323,904	1,543,645	2,866,449	137,376	383,931	441,166	909,606	471,030	1,380,636	69,644	348,799	630,056	366,430	683,411	210,042	2,186,094	135,893	6,524,836	93,458
1859	1,372,021	1,632,932	3,004,953	125,262	366,343	554,774	1,050,629	577,652	1,628,311	71,399	591,000	688,854	453,545	829,435	223,806	2,731,236	180,725	7,617,016	1,092,678
1860	9,709,803	17,482,585	27,192,390	986,599	3,658,719	4,181,156	10,309,564	1,641,720	11,951,286	438,066	4,838,455	4,834,723	4,018,832	2,629,364	433,848	12,961,725	575,641	56,954,864	
1861	1,356,598	1,878,156	3,270,316	152,937	325,136	498,877	1,091,669	730,642	1,821,674	100,277	790,564	701,523	435,392	1,060,227	519,777	3,941,617	210,198	8,143,398	636,422
1862	1,163,570	1,460,892	2,697,489	107,357	171,432	435,230	1,304,705	743,672	1,738,377	111,073	725,644	629,657	318,765	1,104,319	648,269	3,655,140	241,451	7,621,334	3522,663
1863	981,729	2,305,606	2,890,596	183,985	249,451	545,916	396,227	882,573	1,351,054	26,723	637,066	601,091	559,246	1,094,315	767,661	3,145,770	241,642	7,499,554	d121,799
1863	895,842	3,095,216	3,483,955	212,791	385,788	671,589	699,558	1,195,135	1,894,713		826,150	662,904	662,721	1,293,163	964,733	3,759,610	274,936	9,427,619	1,937,064
1864	1,009,500	3,065,577	3,642,218	211,216	537,498	744,448	758,957	1,255,419	2,014,376	9,314	852,136	759,544	630,146	1,302,427	969,324	3,960,836	335,478	9,998,048	570,428
1865	1,022,740	3,090,814	3,735,802	157,840	585,534	746,822	888,784	1,402,277	2,040,913	250,684	759,575	577,494	358,463	1,007,074	674,744	3,258,658	477,162	9,490,535	d507,488
1866	1,297,047	3,714,644	4,633,487	167,833	617,278	1,010,905	1,066,303	1,730,475	2,453,500	344,218	1,302,894	535,385	569,401	1,519,538	1,130,644	4,736,616	557,161	12,379,490	2,889,212
1867	1,030,233	3,446,825	4,334,820	157,817	549,097	1,107,826	1,006,604	1,948,385	2,502,054	452,935	1,422,229	861,780	451,475	1,719,321	1,184,110	5,328,000	485,697	12,650,571	271,081
	25,470,433	45,929,007	69,399,626	2,894,612	8,088,481	11,385,427	23,115,734	11,540,318	33,631,335	1,779,667	15,618,645	10,158,050	9,373,927	12,679,780	7,172,979	52,116,786	4,136,743	159,151,771	

SEMI-ANTHRACITE AND BITUMINOUS.

YEARS.	LYKENS VALLEY.	SHORT MOUNTAIN.	DAUPHIN COUNTY.	TRACTON TUNNEL.	BROAD TOP.	CUMBERLAND.	IMPORT OF COAL FOREIGN COAL.	AGGREGATE.	INCREASE AND DECREASE.	AGGREGATE OF ALL KINDS.	TOTAL INCRSE AND DECRSE	EXPORTATION DOMES'C COAL.	Average of Bituminous Tolls per ton on the Schuylkill Canal.	Total Consumption of Coal in the United States, not included in our tables.
1820														
1821														
1822														
1823														
1824														
1825														
1826														
1827														
1828														
1829							22,122	22,122	22,122	22,195	22,630			
1830							58,136	58,136	12,743	232,870	75,894			
1831							36,509	36,509	d21,627	218,329	d19,541			
1832							72,978	72,978	36,469	430,819	225,526			
1833							92,432	92,432	19,454	580,180	143,361			
1834							71,626	71,626	d20,806	448,362	d131,918			
1835							49,963	49,963	d21,663	610,537	162,175			
1836							188,453	188,453	138,490	772,990	187,622			
1837							153,454	153,454	45,028	1,032,894	240,246			
1838							129,063	129,063	d24,391	897,780	d165,114			
1839							181,551	181,551	52,488	999,953	102,173			
1840							954,166	954,166	218,684	6,015,443		27,298		
1841							162,867	162,867	d18,684	1,077,251		28,116		
1842							155,384	155,384	d7,473	1,115,377		136,278		
1843						1,708	219,167	220,875	65,491	1,251,645		139,997		
1844						10,082	41,163	51,245	d91,982	1,314,843		63,198		
1845						14,890	87,978	101,868	50,718	1,732,813		417,970		
1846						24,653	85,776	110,429	8,466	2,125,445		390,630		
1847						29,795	135,533	165,328	54,899	2,150,553		397,210		
1848						52,940	148,021	200,961	24,813	3,088,170		567,617		
1849						79,571	196,168	275,739	74,778	3,364,977		276,807	9,309	
1850						142,449	198,213	365,987	90,248	3,583,626		218,651	9,681	
1850							356,068	1,373,049	1,744,460	31,109,678		85,189		
1851							196,848	180,489	415,050	3,736,186	152,558	88,741		
1852							257,679	214,774	546,653	4,676,183	1,139,997	37,727		
1853							334,178	313,015	610,989	5,510,664	644,481	45,336		
1854							533,960	231,508	862,495	5,959,639	448,975	79,510		
1855							659,681	252,865	1,071,064	6,903,498	943,859	92,884		
1856							654,263	277,484	1,069,388	7,556,030	652,532	110,586		
1857							702,272	277,484	1,069,388	7,556,030	652,532	110,586		
1858							704,450	277,484	1,069,388	7,556,030	652,532	110,586		
1859							659,681	252,865	1,071,064	7,556,030	652,532	110,586		
1860							659,681	252,865	1,071,064	7,556,030	652,532	110,586		
1861							659,681	252,865	1,071,064	7,556,030	652,532	110,586		
1862							659,681	252,865	1,071,064	7,556,030	652,532	110,586		
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1866							659,681	252,865	1,071,064	7,556,030	652,532	110,586		
1867							659,681	252,865	1,071,064	7,556,030	652,532	110,586		

Average price at shipping point, $2 17 per ton.

EXPORTATIONS OF COAL.

	From Philadelphia. Tons.	From Baltimore. Tons.	Value.
Anthracite		1,225,782	$3,312,457
Domestic Bituminous		92,189	512,742
Foreign Bituminous		50,754	316,329
		368,725	$1,561,528

Average price at shipping point $6.49 a ton.

It will be seen by the above, that the average price of Bituminous Coal imported at the shipping points, is $2 77 a ton. Simply because it is mined near the seaboard, while the Coal exported requires transportation to the seaboard, and the price is nearly treble that of the English Coal at the place of shipment. As the country cannot depend on a foreign supply, which may be cut off at any time in case of difficulty, the true policy is to encourage the development of our own immense Coal fields, by protection, which stimulates industry and creates competition, which not only secures a full supply, but lowers the prices to consumers.

The 388,277 tons imported from the Provinces, paid into the National Treasury in 1867, $485,471, nearly half a million of dollars, while the consumers did not pay one cent more for the Coal than if it had been duty free. Therefore, every vote in Congress in favor of discriminating in favor of Nova Scotia Coal, by reducing the duty to 50 cents a ton from $1 25, is robbing the National Treasury of that sum, and voting it into the pockets of Coal operators in a foreign country, and saddling our people with so much additional taxation.

Importations and Exportations of Coal.

The quantity of foreign Coal imported into the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1867, was 621,305 tons, valued at $1,495,044. It was derived as follows:

From	Tons.	Value.
British Provinces in Atlantic (Bit.)	388,277	$485,471
do do do (other)	115	687
All other countries (Bit.)	192,174	699,092
do do do (other)	739	148
	581,305	$1,185,044

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Improvements in the Coal Region.

As far as we can learn, not a single new colliery is preparing for this year's business. During last year a number of improvements were made at old collieries, by sinking shafts, slopes, &c., and building breakers, and a number of similar improvements are now progressing.

The Tremont Coal Company are sinking a new slope on their lands, at the old Middle Creek Colliery, which will be ready for business in the early part of the season.

At Donaldson a slope has also been commenced on the Black Heath Vein.

Messrs. Kear, Brothers & Co., have secured a further lease of 20 years on the Mine Hill Gap Colliery, and will sink a slope 150 yards below the level of their present slope. They will also erect new machinery, consisting of two engines, cylinders 24 inches in diameter, with 6 feet stroke; one pumping engine, cylinder 9 feet in diameter with 10 ft. stroke; 3 twenty-inch pumps; 2 donkey engines, one fan engine, and ten boilers 36 inches in diameter and 26 feet long to drive the machinery. They also propose to enlarge their breaker to a capacity to prepare 150 cars a day. When completed, this will be a very extensive colliery, capable of producing large quantities of coal.

The Wadesville shaft, sunk by the Mammoth Vein Consolidated Coal Company, but now worked by Messrs. Goddard & Ditson, of Boston, can be made the most extensive colliery in the region. The machinery is nearly completed, and when in full operation over 250,000 tons of coal can be produced in a year, with good management.

Messrs. Potts & Sigfred are erecting a new breaker at the Mount Laffee Colliery, capable of preparing 100 cars of coal a day. The present breaker is badly located, and has not sufficient capacity to do a large business. The coal mined from this colliery has an excellent reputation in the market.

Messrs. Van Winkle & Co., are sinking a slope 70 the depth of 500 feet at their Pottsville Gap Colliery. They are now 300 feet down in the vein, where they find it perpendicular, with about fourteen feet of coal between the slates.

Lopez, Henning & Co., are sinking a new slope at their colliery on the upper Mill Creek, and erecting a new 60-horse engine for hoisting, and making other improvements to increase the capacity of their colliery. They will work the Buck Mountain and Skidmore veins. They are also erecting what is termed a "molasses breaker," in order to clean the coal thoroughly, before it goes into the other breaker and to the screens.

In the Schuylkill Valley a new slope is in course of sinking, 300 feet, at the Novelty Colliery, by Mr. J. P. Geary.

Mr. Peter D. Luther proposes sinking a new slope on the Big Tracey Vein at Kaska-William, for mining coal and black band iron ore.

Mr. David Oliver, we learn, has taken the Oakland Colliery at Windy Harbor, and proposes timbering from the present level to the Mammoth Vein.

There are one or two other improvements contemplated in the Schuylkill Valley, which are not yet decided on.

In the Mahanoy Region, Messrs. Wiggan & Co., Trotter and Foote & Atkinson, have

Marvicare & Delaware & R. R. Coal Tonnage.

The following is the quantity of coal transported over this Road, received from the Lehigh Region in the following years:

In	Through. Tons.	Way. Tons.	Total. Tons.
" 1867	269,738	18,582	288,321
" 1866	171,506	13,573	185,079
" 1865	209,781	31,585	241,366
" 1864	161,278	13,055	174,333
" 1863			130,494
" 1862			129,159
" 1861			145,907
" 1860			146,598
" 1859			155,305
" 1858			139,060
" 1857			122,248

The Camden and Amboy Company are erecting extensive shipping wharves at Perth Amboy, and the trade by this route we learn will be largely increased.

Locust Mountain Coal and Iron Co.

OFFICE OF THE LOCUST MT. COAL & IRON CO'S
PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15, 1868.

GENTLEMEN:—Below I hand you statement of quantity of coal sent from the several collieries on the lands of this Company in the year 1867:

From	Worked by	Tons.
Big Mine Run Colliery,	Sam'l S. Person,	57,654
Locust Run	Reppler, Moodie & Co.,	98,987
Locust Mountain,	Mess. V. Sax, Coal Co.,	130,439
Hazel Dell	R. Gorrell & Co.,	27,654
Centralia	J. M. Freck,	109,125
Shamokin	Wm. Montelius,	19,228
	Total,	443,087

North Penna. Railroad Coal Trade.

Quantity transported over this Road from the Lehigh Region in the following years:

In	Tons.
1858	7088
1859	73,721
1860	80,424
1861	91,327
1862	98,389
1863	113,680
1864	123,473
1865	97,127
1866	94,149
1867	140,827

East Penna. Rail Road Coal Trade.

The Coal Trade of the East Pennsylvania Railroad from the Lehigh Region, was,

In	Tons.
1860	108
1861	13,650
1862	1,667
1863	5,326
1864	1,255
1865	3,411
1866	5,441
1867	6,341

Imports of Coal into Boston.

The imports of foreign and domestic Coal at the port of Boston for nine years have been as follows:

From	Foreign. Domestic. Tons.	Tons.
Great Britain	13,991