

## IMPROVEMENTS

## LEHIGH AND WILKES-BARRE COAL COMPANY

Lance No. 11 Colliery, Inside.—No. 25 Tunnel, Cooper to Baltimore.  
Nottingham No. 15 Colliery, Outside.—New wash house.  
**Inman** No. 21.—Sinking shaft. Continued sinking Baltimore and Red Ash shafts.

## KINGSTON COAL COMPANY

Kingston No. 2 Colliery.—A new washery, capacity 1,000 tons per day, has been completed midway between No. 2 breaker and No. 4 breaker, said washery complete with duplicate shakers, rolls, elevators and conveyors and Jeffrey crushers.

Three bore holes driven so that all waste from the breaker is flushed into the mines.

Shipment began from the washery in the month of May.

A new brick boiler house equipped with 600 H. P. water tube boilers, feed pumps and water heaters.

A wet addition was completed to the breaker equipped with duplicate shakers, elevators, rolls and Jeffrey crushers.

The dry part of the breaker is being entirely remodeled, work on which will be completed in the fore part of 1909.

All circular screens are being substituted with shakers.

The old plane has been abandoned and a new location made away from the breaker and at a much easier grade, which removes the unsafe condition.

A new brick office and retail scales complete.

The tracks on the loaded and empty sides of the breaker have been changed and new railroad scales set in place.

A new steel concrete bridge has been completed over Jackson avenue dispensing with the old wooden structure.

Special attention has been given the remodeling of the emergency hospital in the Nos. 2 and 3 Shaft districts; also a brick combination hospital and foreman's office built at the old slope.

The equipment has been increased with two new locomotives and cars for the Mountain tunnel development.

Gaylord Colliery.—A new washery, with a capacity of 1,000 tons per day, was completed and operation begun in March; the washery is completed with duplicate shakers, rolls, elevators and conveyors and Williams crushers, and also acts as a wet side or mud screen adjunct to the breaker.

Two new Goyne pumps 28 x 10 x 33 pump silt through 8 and 10 inch culm lines 3,000 feet to bore holes, so that all the refuse from the washery and breaker is flushed into the mines.

Series of six holes have been completed for flushing purposes.

Two bore holes for steam exhaust and culm pipe and a new pump outfit completed in Bennett vein.

During the months of July and August the breaker was remodeled and all circular screens dispensed with, shakers being substituted, also modern rolls, crushers, etc.

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Nottingham No. 15 Colliery.—Inside: Built fireproof mule barn. Remodeling pumping plants, No. 1 slope. Completed rock manway from surface to Ross vein at Reynolds.

Outside: Completed mule barn at Reynolds, steam line to River pump and bore hole.

Lance No. 11 Colliery.—Inside: Completed fireproof mule barn. Installing concrete and steel timbering in No. 4 tunnel and shaft landing and also in small engine and pump rooms. 12-inch bore hole for steam line to shaft level pump; Tunnel for air return, Stanton to No. 2 air shaft.

**Inman** No. 21 Colliery.—Finished development in Baltimore vein.

## DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY

Woodward Colliery.—Completed the installation of, and put in operation the 20-foot ventilating fan on No. 2 shaft to take the place of two 16-foot ventilating fans. The new fan is giving much better results than the old ones gave. The work of sinking a slope on the Five Foot seam is under way, and a rock tunnel has been driven for a second opening from No. 3 East lift, No. 1 slope, Lance vein to Cooper vein.

Avondale Colliery.—The work of reopening this colliery after the squeeze of 1910 in the Red Ash vein is about completed. The Ross vein, however, is still under water. Completed the work of installing large capacity centrifugal pumps, electrically operated, in Red Ash vein. Preparations are now being made for the installation of larger capacity pumps in the Ross vein, by which this seam will soon be unwatered.

Loomis Colliery.—The work of development is going on as fast as circumstances permit. Gangways are being driven east and west of Nos. 1 and 2 shafts in the Mills and Hillman veins. The work of installing and electrically operated plunger pump at the foot of No. 2 shaft is under way. The buildings for the housing of the shaft hoisting engines, mule barns, store room, boiler house, etc., are under way and will be of fireproof construction.

Along the old river road they are erecting large and commodious houses as residences for the foreman and their assistants.

This Company made special effort during the year to reduce the number of accidents in and about the mines. Notices have been posted at the mines calling attention to the fact that "safety is the first consideration," and the pay envelopes have also been printed with the inscription "Safety First Consideration."

## PARRISH COAL COMPANY

Buttonwood Colliery.—Inside: Completed 3 concrete engine houses. Built new pump room at foot of shaft, also repaired and concreted the other two pump rooms. Built concrete barn in Abbott vein and one in Stanton vein. Drove 2 rock tunnels through a fault in Stanton vein, each 100 feet long, for production. Extensive work on No. 11 slope in Stanton vein to shorten haulage and place engine. Silting in Abbott vein to strengthen pillars near shaft.

Outside: Washery was completed.

## GEORGE F. LEE COAL COMPANY

Chauncey Colliery.—Safety conditions, ventilation and drainage good.

## WEST NANTICOKE COAL COMPANY

West Nanticoke Colliery.—Safety conditions, ventilation and drainage good.

## BRIGHT COAL COMPANY

Hillside Colliery.—Safety conditions, ventilation and drainage good.

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Nottingham No. 15 Colliery.—Inside: Completed remodeling of pumping plants on No. 1 slope.

Lance No. 11 Colliery.—Inside: Completed concreting of shaft walls and installed fire doors at top of hoisting shaft.

Outside:—Completed power house.

Buttonwood No. 22 Colliery.—Completed No. 1 tunnel from Stanton to Baltimore vein; also tunnels from Hillman to No. 1 tunnel and No. 1 tunnel to Stanton, for haulage. Completed concrete walls at top of hoisting shaft.

Inman No. 21 Colliery.—Inside: Completed tunnels on both sides of Baltimore shaft to Hillman vein for landing.

## DELAWARE AND HUDSON COMPANY

Plymouth No. 3 Colliery.—Completed outlet of G or Stanton vein to Plymouth No. 3 shaft, 7 by 12 by 80 feet, on 14 degree pitch.

Completed tunnel 7 by 12 by 280 feet, light car road, to G or Stanton vein; tunnel, 7 by 12 by 320 feet, light car road, to Cooper vein; plane, 7 by 12 by 60 feet, on 18 degree pitch, for car haul; also car haul, 60 feet, on 18 degree pitch.

Plymouth No. 5 Colliery.—Completed tunnel 7 by 12 by 400 feet, G or Stanton vein, to Plymouth No. 5 shaft; also tunnel 7 by 12 by 90 feet, G or Stanton vein, through fault.

Concreted car haul, G or Stanton vein, 145 feet on 8 degree pitch.

Installed electric hoist on No. 2 plane, Cooper vein, operated by Flory 150 H. P. engine.

Installed 16 by 20 inch Flory steam hoist engine to operate No. 13 plane in Red Ash, in Boston section.

Completed pump room in Red Ash vein 11 by 18 by 38 feet, of concrete and steel; also bore hole, 16 inches by 325 feet, Red Ash vein to surface for pumping.

Plymouth No. 2 Colliery.—Completed air return and outlet from Snake Island to surface 7 by 16 by 170 feet long; air return Abbott to Snake Island 7 by 12 by 130 feet on 35 degree pitch; air return Lance to Abbott 7 by 12 by 130 feet on 30 degree pitch; also tunnel 7 by 12 by 300 feet G or Stanton vein to Plymouth No. 2 shaft.

## DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY

Woodard Colliery.—Are installing a 20-foot multi-blade ventilating fan on No. 2 shaft, a duplicate of the one installed in 1912.

Driving rock tunnels from Cooper to Lance vein for development and ventilation.

Lance No. 11 Colliery.—Inside: Completed No. 8 slope, Top Baltimore to Bottom Baltimore; No. 28 slope, Bottom to Top Red Ash; and No. 29 tunnel, Top Baltimore to Five Foot. Installed a 10 inch by 36 inch compound pump in Hillman vein.

Parrish No. 23 Colliery.—Inside: Completed No. 1 slope, Baltimore to Baltimore; and built a new barn. Installed electric haulage on 2nd West Baltimore and a centrifugal pump and gravity water pipe to No. 14 tunnel.

Buttonwood No. 22 Colliery.—Inside: Completed No. 10 tunnel, Kidney to Abbott; No. 11 tunnel, Stanton to Stanton; and No. 12 tunnel, Surface to No. 6 vein. Installed electric haulage on shaft level and 2nd East, No. 2 plane; also new pumping plant on shaft level.

Outside: Erected colliery shop, breaker engine-house hoisting house, timber yard and saw mill. Reconstructed the power plant and boiler plant. Installed electric haulage, Buttonwood to **Inman** No. 21, and breaker wash pump and reservoir.

#### DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY

Woodward Colliery.—Steam generators have been replaced by electric motor generators. Electric power is being generated at the Nanticoke power plant and transmitted by high tension lines, transformed and stepped down as necessity demands at the colliery.

Concrete walls and I beams have been placed around the shafts, thus reducing the fire risk considerably. Completed several rock tunnels for development and ventilation purposes.

Installed two 20-foot fans outside.

Loomis Colliery.—Completed a new shaft known as Loomis No. 3, near Butzbach's Landing, from surface to Hillman. Preparations are being made for the widening out of the Old Dundee shaft.

Avondale Colliery.—Completed reopening of the Red Ash vein; also second opening for No. 9 tunnel, Ross to Hillman, to be connected at the Five Foot vein. The Ross vein section, No. 5 slope, is still under water. Installed pumping equipment to remove the water from this colliery, the flooding of which was caused by the inflow of a large quantity of water from the Susquehanna River bed after the squeeze of November, 1910.

#### KINGSTON COAL COMPANY

Kingston No. 2 Colliery.—Inside: Completed two tunnels, one from Cooper to Bennett vein, and the other from Cooper to Lance vein, for haulage and second opening, also a tunnel in No. 3 shaft through roll in the Eleven Foot vein. Installed an electric hoist in No. 1 plane, Ross vein; and a new system of culm and surface clay and rock flushing. An emergency hospital was built near the main turnout of the Eleven Foot vein in the slope. The sides around the foot of No. 2 shaft were reinforced with concrete-steel.

Outside: Installed a new 6-inch bell mouth water line, 2,400 feet in length from fresh water tanks for fire emergency, and a new 8 inch by 6 inch by 10 inch Scranton Duplex pump. Fitted up brick

## CONDITION OF COLLIERIES

## LEHIGH AND WILKES-BARRE COAL COMPANY

Lance No. 11, Nottingham No. 15, **Inman** No. 21, and Buttonwood No. 22 Collieries.—Safety conditions, ventilation and drainage, good.

## DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY

Avondale, Loomis and Woodward Collieries.—Safety conditions, ventilation and drainage, good.

## DELAWARE AND HUDSON COMPANY

Plymouth Nos. 2, 3 and 5 Collieries.—Safety conditions, ventilation and drainage, good.

## KINGSTON COAL COMPANY

Kingston No. 2 and Gaylord Collieries.—Safety conditions, ventilation and drainage, good.

## GEORGE F. LEE COAL COMPANY

Chauncey Colliery.—Safety conditions, ventilation and drainage, good.

## WEST NANTICOKE COAL COMPANY

West Nanticoke Colliery.—Safety conditions, ventilation and drainage, good.

## PLYMOUTH RED ASH COAL COMPANY

Red Ash Colliery.—Safety conditions, ventilation and drainage, good.

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Lance No. 11 Colliery.—Completed No. 30 tunnel, Hillman to Stanton; tunnel, Baltimore to Baltimore off No. 4 slope; and No. 31 tunnel, Baltimore to Cooper vein.

Nottingham No. 15 Colliery.—Completed No. 6 tunnel, Top Ross to Ross. Installed a 14 by 48 inch pump on shaft level, and a new pumping station on 11th East.

**Inman** No. 21 Colliery.—Completed East tunnel from Hillman shaft level.

Buttonwood No. 22 Colliery.—Installed an electric pump on No. 3 slope, and an electric hoist on No. 13 slope.

In the Parrish mine an electric haulage was installed on No. 13 slope, also two electric locomotives. Completed No. 10 tunnel, and

Installed machines, tools, etc., in machine shop. Built bridge to No. 3 shaft. Installed one 500 rotary converter, transformers, etc., loaded and retail scales, main conveyor line from Nos. 1 and 2 shafts to breaker. Placed a concrete floor in compressor and fan house.

Avondale Colliery.—Built a blacksmith, carpenter and machine shop.

Truesdale Colliery.—Completed rock tunnel, 453 feet, in Bottom Red Ash vein; rock tunnel, Mills to Hillman vein, 222 feet in length; rock skip No. 4 west airway, No. 1 slope, Mills vein; surface rock slope, No. 20 tunnel, length 780 feet; rock plane from George to Mills vein, length 249 feet; Rock tunnel, Red Ash to Ross vein, No. 2 slope, length 72 feet; rock tunnel, No. 3 slope, for passing branch, length 87 feet; extension of No. 9 slope in rock, length 363 feet; extension of No. 8 tunnel, Cooper to Hillman vein, length 370 feet; second opening rock plane from Top Red Ash to Ross vein, length 61 feet; second opening to No. 2 west lift, No. 6 slope, Hillman to Mills vein, length 87 feet.

Installed one 500 steam hammer for blacksmith shop; motors in three small air hoists; 7-ton locomotive with reel, etc., in No. 2 East lift, No. 6 slope; 7-ton locomotive with reel, etc., in No. 1 slope, Mills vein; 7-ton locomotive with reel, etc., in No. 3 east lift, No. 7 slope; and steam hoist for Forge vein plane, No. 1 tunnel.

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Sugar Notch No. 9 Colliery.—Completed No. 31 tunnel, Twin to Hillman; No. 33 tunnel, Five Foot to Hillman; No. 34 tunnel, Red Ash to Twin; and No. 32 tunnel, Twin to Hillman.

Maxwell No. 20 Colliery.—Completed No. 31 tunnel, Red Ash to Ross; and No. 30 tunnel, Hillman to Kidney.

Buttonwood Colliery.—Completed No. 10 tunnel and tunnel airway extension to Abbott; tunnel No. 4 to No. 4 vein, and No. 16 tunnel, Abbott to Abbott.

At **Inman** No. 21 shaft, completed concrete and steel timbering, Hillman shaft level.

Outside: Installed one 32 by 48 inch duplex Corliss valve shaft engine for Hillman shaft, and also one for Baltimore shaft at Inman No. 21. Also built a brick engine house. Two steel head-frames, one for Baltimore shaft and one for Red Ash shaft, were built.

At Parrish washery, a 600 H. P. boiler plant was installed for Parrish slope.

#### LEHIGH VALLEY COAL COMPANY

Warrior Run Colliery.—Built a new concrete hospital in No. 4 tunnel level.

Outside: Constructed 2,000 feet of new 4 by 8 foot flume to carry creek and surface waters. The old flume was destroyed and washed out by cloudburst of June 27, 1916.

Franklin Colliery.—Completed No. 33 tunnel, from Baltimore to Sump vein; extension of No. 34 tunnel from Ross to Skidmore vein. Started driving No. 35 tunnel from Skidmore to Skidmore; No. 36 tunnel, from Skidmore to Skidmore through an anticlinal; No. 37 tunnel, Sump to Sump vein through fault; and No. 11 tunnel, on No. 4 tunnel level to the breaker.