

## DISCUSSION.

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Mr. E. J. Erskine said he felt very much indebted to the author for having brought such an interesting description of this large industry before the Association. One point that struck him was why so much capital had been expended to obtain absolute economy at the generating station. It seemed to him that possibly in coal mining, where fuel must of necessity be cheap, it might not always be advisable to put in the most costly coal-saving appliances. In concluding, he proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the author for his valuable paper.

Mr. R. R. Ferrier, in seconding the vote of thanks, spoke in eulogistic terms of plant described.

Mr. J. W. Bragg, in supporting the vote of thanks, said that it was very gratifying to see such an up-to-date plant.

The President (Mr. James Shirra), before putting the motion, said he would like to learn a little more about the coal handling and also about the friability of Westport coal.

The vote of thanks was then accorded, to which Mr. Holroyde replied in suitable terms.