

the property, one seam being extra good for forge work. I consider this property the most valuable and best in Nova Scotia. The location is in the very best part of the island for agricultural purposes. There is no trouble to open up the mines to produce five thousand tons per day. No perpendicular pits to sink, simply drive slopes in the coal, and make it pay for itself from the first day.

Shipping Facilities.

Good shipping facilities are requisite for the economical and successful operation of a coal mine. In this respect, Broad Cove is well situated. A lake known as McIsaac's lake lying in the centre of the property has an area of over eighty acres, and a depth of twenty-five feet. The outer edge of the lake is between three hundred and four hundred feet to tide water, and is only separated from the sea by a low sand beach through which a channel can easily be cut. When opened, this lake will form the finest deep water harbor on ninety miles of this coast line, and is capable of accommodating two hundred sail in the roughest weather.

MR. BARNES, C. E.,

In the Employ of the Dominion Government,

has surveyed this lake, and declares the opening of it to be entirely feasible and inexpensive, costing less than twenty thousand dollars, providing for nine hundred feet of wharfing, giving a depth of twenty to twenty-five feet of water. There is an abundance of timber and stone for ballast in close proximity to the proposed opening. It is a noticeable feature that there are no sand-banks or pools of standing water indicative of shifting sands.

MR. WALTER BUCK, C. E.,

Standing Very High Professionally,

made a very exhaustive survey of this lake and surroundings, with a view to opening it as a harbor of refuge. He occupied about four weeks in making the survey and plans, and fully confirms the previous report of Mr. Barnes as to its excellent position, and the feasibility of opening it as a harbor, because of its being a natural dock affording facilities for a large traffic.