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WEDNESDAY, January 19, 1910

The attention of our farmer friends is directed to the information given regarding farm help by Staff Captain Jennings of the S. A. Immigration Department, which will be found on our third page. Capable help is the crying need of the farmer, whose bulk of produce is greatly limited by lack of assistance at critical seasons.

The immigration department of the Salvation Army undertakes to supply this deficiency along lines already advocated by the Monitor-Sentinel, that is by making permanent arrangements for the housing of farm laborers and their families. The system of living from hand to mouth so much in vogue among this class of laborers is too common and cannot be expected to give satisfactory results.

We trust our readers will not miss the reading of the review of the industrial progress of our town during the past year which appears on page seven of this issue. Although our columns have previously given the gist of the information it is good for us to keep posted on the resources of our town, and to be prepared to give it a "boost" whenever opportunity offers.

The civic situation has changed somewhat since last week. Mayor Ruggles has decided to withdraw from the candidature for Mayor and has headed the nomination paper of Mr. Karl Freeman who has accepted the urgent request of a number of influential citizens to allow himself to become a candidate for the office of Mayor.

DIED

DURLING.—At Dalhousie West, Jan. 5th, Mary W. Durling, infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Durling, aged four months.

Shiloh's Cure quickly stops coughs, cures colds, heals the throat and lungs. 25 cents.

Ward and County Officers of the Municipality of Annapolis.

WARDEN.—W. G. Clarke CLERK.—O. S. Miller

WARD OFFICERS, WARD I. Presiding Officer.—A. P. Bowlby. Polling Officer, Sec. 26.—J. A. Balcom.

Sanitary Officers.—J. I. Nixon, John Hawkins. Board of Health.—J. B. Stronach, R. Baker, Jas. White, H. M. Harris, P. D. Bent.

Pound Keepers.—E. E. Phinney, Colin McLean, A. D. Gates, Burbage Harris, F. T. Cain.

Fence Viewers.—Allison Smith, Avar Pierce, S. Patterson.

Constables.—Avar Pierce, Arthur Downie, Burbrdge Harris, Z. S. Banks.

Inspector of Fruit Trees.—E. R. Stronach, A. P. Bowlby, Allison Smith.

Inspector of Lumber.—I. T. Coulston, S. Spurr.

Inspector of Barrels.—Alfred Phinney, M. Hatt.

Wood Surveyors.—D. McLean, E. E. Palmer, Jas. Whyte.

Inspector of Hide and Leather.—A. M. Wiswall, Allison Smith.

Inspector of Bark.—Abel Wiswall.

District Clerks.—No. 1 George Brown; No. 26, Chas. Morris.

Overseers of Poor.—Jas. Martin, I. T. Caulston.

ROAD SURVEYORS, WARD I.

- 1 Foster Rhyndard 2 S. Patterson 3 4 Stuart Dodge 5 Wallace Keddy 6 Will Cochrane 7 Chas. Moody 8 Vernon Baker 9 John Hudgins 10 Dan Spencer 11 Geo. Watson 12 D. Spidle 13 Avar Hudgins 14 H. M. Harris 15 Harry Baker 16 Wm. Weaver 17 W. E. Outhit 18 J. E. Baker 19 E. F. McNeil 20 F. B. Baker 21 W. C. Spurr 22 Geo. Brown 23 Randolph Brown 24 George Phinney 25 Zenas Banks.

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Presiding Officer for District No. 2, C. C. Slocumb.

Presiding Officer, District No. 17.—Guilford Weaver.

Hay Weigher.—G. M. Moore Overseers of Poor.—Henry Fritz, E. T. Nelly.

Nursery Stock Inspectors.—J. I. Phinney, C. C. Slocumb, I. D. Parker Barrel Inspectors.—L. R. Margeson, I. D. Parker, E. T. Nelly, Geo. Foster.

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Constables.—Henry Fritz, John E. Slocumb, Wesley Bowlby, E. S. Dodge, W. M. Bailey, Samuel Dennison, H. L. Elliott, H. L. Gates, Jas. Woodbury.

Pound Keepers.—Geo. Green, Harry Bruce, C. W. Daniels, Caleb Slocumb, James Fritz, Leason Baker, J. O. Nelly, Fred O. Taylor.

Fence Viewers.—R. I. Phinney, Benjamin Witzel, J. H. Mosher, Byron Fritz.

Board of Health.—Dr. J. A. Sponage, Dr. S. Miller, C. H. Wright, G. M. Foster, John I. Phinney, I. D. Parker.

Sanitary Inspectors.—J. Havelock Nelly.

License Inspector.—C. C. Slocumb. Inspector of Bark.—L. S. Shaffner.

ROAD SURVEYORS, WARD II.

- 1 Hallett Bowlby 2 3 W. W. Banks 4 Clifford Wright 5 C. C. Slocumb 6 Robert Crawford 7 L. R. Margeson 8 W. B. Gates 9 G. W. Baltzer 10 Albert Mosher 11 L. R. Archibald 12 William Mosher 13 Caleb S. Miller 14 Aubury Baltzer 15 Albert Balsor 16 James Mosher 17 W. B. Mosher 18 A. S. Clark 19 Byron Fritz 20 Henry Fritz 21 Hallett Daniels 22 Avar Hinds 23 Harry Bruce 24 25 Nelson Rhodes 26 C. W. Barteaux

WARD OFFICERS, NO. III.

Presiding Officer.—Lawrencetown, Fred Bishop

Presiding Officer, Port Lorne.—Isaiah Hall.

District Clerk.—Lawrencetown, Wm. Prince.

FERNIE'S COKE OVENS

GREAT PLANT IS ONE OF THE FEATURES OF THE WEST.

Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. Has Four Hundred and Fifty Ovens Where Coal Dust or Slack is Turned Into Valuable Coke—Russians and Slavs Attend to the Furnaces and Manage to Get Rich on Their Wages.

As the eastern-bound fier, with clanging bell and snorting smoke-stack, glides swiftly round the tortuous curve up the incline into Fernie, B. C., the passengers on the observation car see stretching away to their left a long, low line of compact stone buildings, surrounded with a general lurid glow which seems to permeate the atmosphere and partially dispel the murky clouds that hang heavily overhead.

These are the coke ovens owned by the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., Ltd., and there are four hundred and fifty of them, in three solid, substantial rows, numbered 1, 2, and 3. Each row contains ovens on either side, and to distinguish them are referred to as east and west ovens, respectively, the ovens themselves being numbered individually.

To-day, when nothing is wasted, least of all precious coal dust, it is interesting to follow the process which converts this coal dust, or "slack," as it is called, into marketable coke, and incidentally gives employment to many foreigners in this district.

The coal is mined at Coal Creek, a mining town situated in a deep valley some five miles from Fernie on the Morrissey, Fernie & Michel Railway—the property of the Coal Company—and after being screened on the "hippies," the "slack," or fine stuff, is loaded into special iron cars called slack cars, and which are made with a centre dump and hold thirty tons of slack. A train of some twelve to fourteen cars is then run up the line to the rails over the storage bins, and the dump being opened, the slack drops down into the "larry" beneath; these larrys are constructed of iron, and are capable of holding nine to ten tons, if required. The larrys are then run from under the storage bins by a circular line right on top of the coke oven between the circular opening of each oven, some fourteen inches across, and, arrived in position, the lever being moved, the slack pours into the oven beneath through the aperture either to the east or west, as required.

About six and a half tons of slack is put into each oven at a time, and ignites, of course, spontaneously from the great latent heat, and after 72 hours' burning yields four and a quarter tons of coke, the loss being approximately about 35 per cent., the resultant coke making up the balance of 65 per cent.

When the time arrives for the ovens to be drawn, the Russian "drawer" partially breaks open the dried loam and brick door of his oven, and a fierce, blinding heat blares forth into the darkness silhouetting his slant waist figure as he stands there, water pipe in hand, playing on the fiery mass within, and which, when sufficiently cooled off, he presently rakes out with a huge iron rake some twelve feet in length and weighing 60 to 70 pounds.

This is hard work, but seems admirably suited to the men who undertake it, mostly Russians and Slavs unable to speak a word of English, but quite happy with their job. For clearing an oven the men get paid \$1, and as when in full work they clear out two and three ovens a night, working six days a week, will net them anything from twelve to eighteen dollars. Living as they do in their own style on from fifteen to sixteen dollars a month, they are soon able to afford a bank account.

The coke is now loaded into cars holding from 35 to 37 tons each, and it is quite a sight to see one of these gigantic cars being filled by the perspiring workmen—Italians now—with their broad sixteen-pronged forks, shovelling away with a steady swing. When full, the cars are dispatched to Trail and Grand Forks, B.C., where the smelters of the Consolidated Smelting & Mining Co. and the Granby Mining & Smelting Co., respectively, await their daily arrival.

There have been rumors from time to time of smelters being established in Fernie itself, but at present, and until sufficient ore is found adjacent to the ovens, it is more profitable to ship the coke to the coke ovens. The Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co., Ltd., have other coke ovens besides those at Fernie. At Michel there are 486, and at Carbonado 250, making a total of 1,136 ovens at the three places.

Standing between the rails on top of the ovens, calls to mind Dante's picture—the Torture of the Simonists in Purgatory—with the flickering flames lazily licking up and around the sides of the aperture through which the ovens are fed, whilst, again, from the mountainside a most weird theatrical effect is obtained as the dull-red smoke floats in a thick pall over the dark buildings beneath. Except for repairs from time to time, the ovens are never out, and burn with a blood-red heat that would have appalled Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, through the bitter winter weather equally as well as through the torrid days of August, the only difference in the working being that during the summer they are drawn at 9 o'clock at night, whereas in the winter this is done during the day.

Built about nine years ago at a cost of a thousand dollars apiece, the ovens are practically as good to-day as when first constructed. About 100 men are employed at Fernie alone, the leading being accomplished by Italians, and in the history of the ovens it is gratifying to learn that there has never been a serious accident.

Italy is now building four Dreadnoughts, which, it is said, will surpass any existing Dreadnought.

MINARD'S LINIMENT CURES DANDRUFF.

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SLAUGHTER SALE!

We are going to slaughter THOUSANDS of dollars of seasonable merchandise just at the time when you need them, and at prices which will mean the savings of many \$\$\$\$\$\$\$

OUR LOSS YOUR GAIN Sale Starts January 8, 1910

Dress Goods Hundreds of pieces of Dress Goods in different colorings, qualities, width and prices. It is impossible to describe here. On all colored Dress Goods we will allow a discount of thirty per cent and on all black Dress Goods a discount of twenty-five per cent.

Ladies' Vests & Drawers Reg. Price 25c, 30c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c, 80c, 85c, \$1.00, 1.25, 1.35. Sale Price 20c, 22c, 29c, 40c, 45c, 57c, 61c, 69c, 79c, 95c, \$1.05.

Combination Suits Regular Prices 75c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.50. Sale Prices 55c, 62c, 79c, \$1.10.

Wrappers Regular Prices \$1.10, 1.35, 1.50, 1.75. Sale Prices 77c, \$1.00, 1.15, 1.25.

Flannelette Night Robes Regular Prices 75c, 80c, \$1.10, 1.25, 1.30. Sale Price 55c, 59c, 80c, 98c, 99c.

Hosiery Ladies' Rib Cashmere Hose Regular Prices 25c, 39c, 50c. Sale Price 19c, 30c, 39c.

Misses Rib Cashmere Hose Regular Prices 20c, 25c, 30c, 38c, 45c, 50c. Sale Prices 15c, 18c, 21c, 26c, 34c, 39c.

Ladies' Plain Cashmere Hose Regular Prices 25c, 29c, 35c, 50c, 50c. Sale Price 19c, 25c, 26c, 39c, 42c.

Girls and Boy's Fleece Lined Hose Regular Price 20c, 22c, 25c, 25c. Sale Price 15c, 17c, 19c, 20c.

Boy's Wool Hose Regular Price 20c, 22c, 25c, 25c, 30c, 33c. Sale Price 16c, 17c, 19c, 20c, 22c, 25c.

Men's Underwear Men's 'Health Brand' Regular Price \$1.75 Sale Price \$1.25.

Mens 'Watson's' make Regular Price \$1.35. Sale Price 98c.

Mens' plain All-wool. Regular Price 75c. Sale Price 50c.

Mens' Fleece Lined. Regular Price 55c. Sale Price 37c.

Boy's Underwear Boys' Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers Regular Price 35c. Sale Price 25c.

Boys' Plain Wool Shirts and Drawers. 40c, 45c. This sale 29c., 33c.

Boy's Heavy Wool Regular Price 60c, 65c, 70c, 75c. Sale price 45c, 49c, 52c, 59c.

Men's Sweaters Men's Heavy Sweaters. Regular Prices \$1.10, 1.20, 1.25, 1.50. Sale Price 79c, 87c, 95c, \$1.10.

SPECIALS JANUARY 21st to 29th, ONLY 6 Pieces only, heavy grey Sheeting, two yds. wide 5 yards for 85 cts.

CIRCULAR PILLOW COTTON 5 Pieces, fine even finish English Pillow Cotton, 40 inches wide, only 14 cts. per yard Heavier quality, 40 inches wide 17c. " " 42 " " 18c.

WHITE SHEETING Plain Sheeting, 2 yards wide, per yard 24c " " " " " " 27c " " " " " " 33c Twill " " " " " " 25c " " " " " " 28c " " " " " " 33c

TABLE LINEN 300 YARDS half-bleached Table Linen, all Linen, 70 to 72 inches wide, great value at 50 cts. a yard. We are going to sell 300 yards (no more) at the very low price of 39 cents per yard

LADIES' and MEN'S OVERBOOTS Ladies' 2 button 1 buckle Jersey Overboots \$1.95 Men's 1 buckle Jersey Overboots 1.50 Men's 2 " " " " 1.85 Ladies' Rubbers with stockings attached 1.20 Misses' " " " " 1.10

REMNANTS Hundreds of yards of Dress Goods, Silks, Cottons, Prints, Muslins, etc. will be on our remnant counter during this sale, marked at slaughter prices.

POSITIVELY NO GOODS CHARGED AT ABOVE PRICES, THIS SALE

JOHN LOCKETT AND SON

Boy's Sweaters Extra quality all-wool. Regular Price 60c, \$1.10, 1.35. This sale 47c, 85c, \$1.00.

Boy's Sweater Coats Boys' Sweater Coats, all sizes. Regular Price 75c, Sale Price 57c.

Ladies' Coats 75 Ladies' Coats including all the new styles Regular Prices \$5.90, \$10.00, \$15.00, \$20.00, \$25.00, \$30.00, \$35.00, \$40.00, \$45.00, \$50.00, \$55.00, \$60.00, \$65.00, \$70.00, \$75.00, \$80.00, \$85.00, \$90.00, \$95.00, \$100.00. Sale Prices \$3.95, \$6.90, \$9.90, \$12.90, \$15.90, \$18.90, \$21.90, \$24.90, \$27.90, \$30.90, \$33.90, \$36.90, \$39.90, \$42.90, \$45.90, \$48.90, \$51.90, \$54.90, \$57.90, \$60.90, \$63.90, \$66.90, \$69.90, \$72.90, \$75.90, \$78.90, \$81.90, \$84.90, \$87.90, \$90.90, \$93.90, \$96.90, \$99.90.

Ladies' Furs We have the finest lot of Furs we have ever shown. They were brought from first hands and the prices we now offer them at is about the same as giving them away. We are already advised of advances for next season which will mean an advance over this season of about 25 per cent. Fur Stoles were \$2.25, \$3.90, \$4.25, now 1.60, 2.90, 2.95, were \$7.50, 8.90, 10.50, 13.50, now 4.90, 6.95, 7.90, 10.75, were \$24.50, now 18.00. Fur Collars were \$2.15, 3.00, 3.90, 5.50, now \$1.50, 2.25, 3.00, 3.95, were \$6.00, 6.50, now \$4.75, 4.90.

Ladies' Umbrellas 10 doz. Ladies' Umbrellas Regular Price \$1.10, 1.25, 1.50, 1.50. Sale Prices .79c, 90c, \$1.10, 98c. Regular Prices \$1.75, 2.00, 2.25, 2.75. Sale Prices \$1.25, 1.48, 1.69, 2.10. Regular Prices \$3.00, 3.25, 3.50. Sale Prices \$2.25, 2.25, 2.75.

Men's Umbrellas Regular Prices 90c, \$1.00, 1.10, 1.25, 2.00, 3.00. Sale Price 59c, 79c, 89c, 95c, \$1.50, 2.25.

Men's Overcoats Regular Prices \$6.00, 6.50, 8.50, 10.50, 11.00, 12.50, 13.00. Sale Prices \$4.25, 3.50, 4.95, 7.50, 7.50, 8.90, 9.00.

Boys' Overcoats Regular Prices \$4.00, 5.50. Sale Price \$2.75, 3.75.

Men's Reefers Regular Prices \$4.75, 5.00, 6.00. Sale Prices \$3.90, 3.50, 4.25.

Boys' Pants Regular Prices 40c, 65c, 70c, 75c, 90c, 95c. Sale Prices 29c, 49c, 49c, 59c, 65c, 70c.

Wadded Quilts Regular Prices \$1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 2.75. Sale Prices \$1.19, 1.48, 1.68, 2.10.

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