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SKATING RINKS FOR CONVALESCENT SOLDIERS.

Canadian Boys to Enjoy National Sport Under Medical Supervision at M. H. C. Homes.

Arrangements have been made for skating rinks at many of the convalescent homes conducted by the Military Hospitals Commission for the returned soldiers needing further medical treatment or industrial re-education before their return to civil life.

Hardly a man in the Canadian army but enjoys skating and the exercise in the fresh air will be beneficial to all of the convalescent men who are able to participate in such active exercise. No one, of course, is allowed to skate except by permission of the medical officer.

The boys have a great time, and the rinks promise to be one of the greatest sources of amusement during the winter season in many of the out of town centres. Skates in many places are being supplied by patriotic citizens. Some are new and others are skates which have been discarded by men overcome by old age or disability, but sharpened and put into shape they suffice.

It is interesting to note that even in the schools for blinded soldiers in England and France the men enjoy skating.

England May Check Waste of Coal

(Toronto Mail and Empire.)

Among the problems which the war has pressed upon public attention in England is that of fuel, which fact is brought to mind by the report of the Fuel Research Board. The report is merely preliminary, and the board has decided to erect a research station in which the great questions affecting the fuel supply of the nation can be tested. The various coal seams in the country will be surveyed and classified, and it will be determined whether an economical and efficient apparatus for carbonizing coal at low temperature can be produced, and also whether it will be possible to dispose of the by-products at a commercial profit. It may be that as one of the results of the war, and as the result of experiments made in the course of the war, the British people will take steps along the line of public ownership and operation that seemed impossible a few years ago. It is said that under a single management the railroads have given a service that would have been impossible had they been operated by their several owners, and there are some who maintain that the nation ought to nationalize its fuel resources, and have them developed and conserved for the good of the nation rather than for the benefit of employees and owners.

Empire Founded on Coal

The point is emphasized by Sydney Brooks, who writes on "King Coal, Pivotal Sovereign of Great Britain," in the Philadelphia Public Ledger, that the Empire depends upon coal, that our civilization, in fact, is a coal civilization. We believe, of course, that the great power of the British Empire rests upon the sure foundation of British character; but it has been pointed out that if Great Britain had not such great deposits of coal, and if she had not early discovered how to use it in smelting iron, the British Isles would not be able to sustain a third of the present population. England would have been little better than Holland. The Dutch people have great coal reserves, but they have not the same character, and the Netherlands was once a first-class power, but owing to an absence of great basic natural resources she has sunk to the rate of a third-class power; and there appears to be no prospect of her being anything else, unless it might be a fourth-rate power.

Enough for 200 Years

The British Empire having risen in the past hundred years to a position of the great English deposits of cheap fuel, will its supremacy not be threatened if these deposits are exhausted? Of actual exhaustion there is little fear. It is estimated that there is available for mining some two hundred billion tons, which would keep the home demand for coal for a century. The question that has not been satisfactorily answered is whether it will be possible to mine this coal at a price that will enable British industries depending upon it to compete with American industries and German industries. It will be the business of the Fuel Research Board to grapple with this and kindred questions and make suitable recommendations. For some years now the cost of mining coal in Great Britain has increased, apart from the increased wages paid the miners. The coal is deeper down, and is therefore harder to get at, and consequently the tons per year per miner have also decreased. For instance, while an American miner can produce some 400 or even 600 tons a year, the British miner can produce only 24.

Great Waste of Coal

There enters also the great question of the waste of coal. Witnesses before a Royal Commission in 1908 testified that one-quarter of the coal was wasted. They calculated that if all steam engines were as efficient as the best a saving of 80 per cent would be effected in coal used for raising steam. Similarly, if all collieries had modern plants they would consume only half of what they now burn. Coal is wasted through boiler incrustations; it is wasted when a reciprocity engine is installed instead of a turbine, and when automatic stokers and mechanical draught furnaces are not used. The American furnace system of house heating is also much more economical than the system that prevails in the majority of British homes. An open hearth is a great comfort, but undoubtedly it permits more heat to escape up the chimney than is thrown into the room.

Too Valuable to Burn

But even if coal were burned economically, it may be wasted. It may be like burning mahogany economically. Some experts estimate that to burn raw or nude coal is to waste it, that its by-products are more valuable than the fuel, and that coal should only be used as fuel after these products have been scientifically extracted. That is to say, coke, not coal, should be burned. Before the war Germany was making huge strides in the preparation of powder fuel. In both Belgium and Germany the waste gas from blast furnaces was conserved, purified and used in gas engines. With a coal output greatly less than that of Great Britain, Germany was producing twice as much coke, sixteen times as much powder fuel and 50 per cent more ammonium sulphate. Mr. Brooks concludes: "The country which is the quickest to develop its sources of power will be the country to recover first from the war. The Fuel Research Board is a token that Great Britain intends to be that country."

Lieut.-Colonel Davidson and L. E. Prouse, of Charlottetown, passed through the city yesterday on the way to the front to take the soldier vote.

DOLLS

Largest Stock, Lowest Prices in St. John

Canadian Dolls, United States Dolls, Japanese Dolls.

Bisque Dolls, 25c, 50c, 10c, 12c, 15c, Rag Dolls, 3c, 5c, 20c.

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