

REPORT

OF THE ST. GEORGE'S COAL FIELDS, LTD., FOR
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1920.

GENTLEMEN—

In presenting the report for the year 1920 we will cover as briefly as possible, the main items of the work of the past twelve months, so that you will have before you everything pertaining to the development of the property up to the present time.

1920.

Due to the severity of the first three months of 1920, progress was slow, and the principal work performed was that of cutting and placing suitable mine timber so that prospecting work could be gone ahead with on the opening of spring.

Government Concessions.

In 1919 the late Government passed a bill empowering the Executive to enter into negotiations with this Company, and among other things to pay a bounty not in excess of \$1.00 per ton on all coal mined and sold in the Colony for a period of ten years. Due to the change of Government these concessions were not completed until February last, and contained, with other arrangements the following:

"Free entry of machinery and other material for construction during the first ten years of operation, also all Crown surface land necessary for railways, tramways, and shipping ports with sites for stations, buildings, yards and loading and shipping piers, together with all usual or reasonable adjuncts and conveniences and easements."

"Also a bounty of 75c. per ton on all coal mined and consumed in the Colony for the first five years of operation and 50c. per ton for a second period of five years, but in no year is the total bounty to exceed \$15,000."

"No royalties, rents or taxes of any kind shall be imposed upon the undertaking of the Company until ten years after the output of coal in commercial quantities, and then only a tax on royalties exceeding ten cents per ton of coal sold or manufactured into coke."

During the month of March we were approached by agents of the Reid-Newfoundland Company with a view to their obtaining the property, but none of their advances were entertained.

Negotiations.

During the early summer of 1920 the Government intimated to the Company that it considered it undesirable that the Company's coal areas should pass out of the control of Newfoundland interests. The Government had previously intimated its willingness to negotiate with the Company with a view to some arrangement under which the Company's areas could be worked; to meet, as far as possible, the difficulty of procuring a supply of coal for this country and of keeping the price of coal within reasonable limits. The matter was taken up by the Company with the Government, and negotiations continued during the summer, upon a basis which appeared to be satisfactory to both parties; but in August last the Government raised a question as to the Company's title, based upon a survey made by Mr. Noel, of the Crown Lands Department, contending that a grant of the Reid-Nfld. Company's overlapped a portion of our areas. We, of course, repudiated any such claim, but the Government was unwilling to negotiate further, except upon terms much less advantageous to the Company and which your Directors could not entertain. The negotiations therefore ended.

The matter of this alleged claim of the Reid-Newfoundland Company was thereupon taken up with the Government. Our position, and the utter want of foundation of any claim of the Reid Company's were pointed out to the Government, and we requested the Government to take such steps as might be necessary to rectify the description in the Reid Company's grant, and to put our title beyond any possible question. The Government has taken the matter up with the Reid-Nfld. Company and we have every confidence that the rectification will be accomplished.

Operations—1920.

In April last operations were resumed on the Barachois River and the Cleary Seam at its outcrop was exposed for a further distance of 150 feet on the opposite side of the trough, maintaining its thickness and quality. On the east side of the Barachois River the Jukes Seam was again uncovered showing a thickness of 8 feet of clean coal. About 30 and 50 feet from this outcrop two other seams were exposed showing 3 feet and 2 feet 6 inches of coal respectively. These seams are no doubt the continuation of a group of seams that occur in close proximity to the Jukes Seam where it was first opened on the opposite side further down the river. There are four in number, one of which we are opening up and have named the "Furlong Seam." This seam when opened was 4 feet wide and gave 21 inches of clean coal on the foot wall.

Considerable prospecting work has also been done along another section of the Barachois River particularly on the north side, where the Jukes and other seams again re-cross the river forming the eastern side of the

coal trough. One seam was found to contain about 4 feet of coal, while a second, and possibly a continuation of the Furlong Seam, gave 3 feet of coal. Up to the present we have uncovered 12 seams showing from 10 inches to 8 feet of coal, and according to latest scientific information 7 of these seams come within the range of workable coal seams, namely:

The Cleary 2 feet 2 inches
" Jukes 5 feet 5 inches
" Furlong 1 foot 9 inches
" Murray No. 1 . . . 3 feet 3 inches
" Murray No. 2 . . . 5 feet 4 inches
" Howley 4 feet 2 inches
" Tom Diamond . . . 2 feet 6 inches

Total 24 feet 7 inches
Up to the present we have driven over 700 feet of tunnelling on the various outcrops and have opened the Jukes Seam in five different places over a distance of 2,600 feet showing an average of over 5 feet 6 inches of clean coal. Prospecting except on the rivers in this locality, is expensive; owing to the deep soil and heavy forest.

From the above you will see that this year's work (notwithstanding delays and disappointments) has, due to the new discoveries, added considerably to the value of the property. We must now call your attention to those who during the past year have been lending every effort to belittle the undertakings of the Company. Our answer to their efforts in this respect is: "If the property is not valuable why do they devote so much time and concentrate so much energy against it?"

The Road.

In July last the balance of the \$5,000 that was voted by the late Government in 1919 to help to build a road from Robinson's Station to the mine was expended. We are now able to send up light loads by horse and cart, while previously everything had to be packed at considerable expense.

Surveys.

During the months of October and November the land recently purchased from Mr. Foote was surveyed. Surveying in this locality is costly as the whole area is practically covered with forest. Our operations are being capably attended to by Mr. Furlong who continues to give most efficient service.

Coal in Other Countries.

We have given you a list of the larger seams contained in the property and in order that you may draw your own conclusions regarding the possibilities of the St. George's areas, we have made it our business to collect authentic data concerning some of the well known coal fields of the world and the size of the seams they are operating profitably.

England and Wales—In East Lancashire there are 9 coal seams being worked independently and not in connection with thicker beds, their thickness is as follows:
3 seams 10 inches thick each
1 seam 11 inches thick each
2 seams 12 inches thick each
2 seams 16 inches thick each
1 seam 17 inches thick each

While a tenth seam, only 15 inches thick, is being worked at a depth of 300 feet below the surface, with an underground haulage of 1200 feet.
One other seam of Cannel coal only 8 inches thick is being profitably worked at a depth of 900 feet below the surface. Another seam 20 to 22 inches thick is being worked 1820 feet below the surface. Four other seams ranging from 11 to 18 inches in thickness are being worked in conjunction with a thicker bed.

In Yorkshire a 14 inch seam of coking coal is being mined at a depth of 1200 feet below the surface.

In Somersetshire a 12 inch seam of coal is being worked in conjunction with six others, whose thickness is only 7½ inches. Another seam 22 to 28 inches thick is being worked at a depth of 2400 feet.

Gloucestershire has a seam 16 inches thick being worked extensively at a depth of 1000 feet.

In Monmouthshire the Tillery seam 16 inches thick has produced 100 tons per day of domestic and gas coal, and has been worked as an independent proposition.

In the South Wales Coal Fields a 21 inch seam has been worked 400 feet below the surface, by 27 men, producing 12,600 tons a year or 470 tons per man.
Scotland—In Lanark and Stirling Counties seams 15 and 30 inches thick have been worked and found highly remunerative at a depth of 1200 feet.
Belgium—In the Hainault Coal Basin a seam 11 inches thick known as the little French Seam, has been worked for its gas coal. This seam is 15 inches wide and carries only 11 inches of coal. In the Wasmes Colliery in Belgium, three seams giving 12½ to 13½ inches of gas coal, have been worked successfully, while two other seams in the same country, measuring 13 and 15 inches respectively have produced domestic and coking coal of excellent quality.

United States—In Pennsylvania

Child's
Cream Bear Coats
Half Price.

Regular \$8.25.	Sale Price \$4.13
Regular \$8.75.	Sale Price \$4.38
Regular \$9.25.	Sale Price \$4.63
Regular \$11.00.	Sale Price \$5.50
Regular \$12.00.	Sale Price \$6.00

FEBRUARY WHITE SALE

Men's
Cream Flannelette
and
White Mat Shirts,
English make.
Reg. \$3.00. Sale Price,
\$2.40.

For Two Weeks Beginning Monday,
February 14th.

Drastic Reductions on all White Goods. Time-
ly opportunity for thrifty shoppers to secure big
price concessions. You will find here some of
the best values of the season.

A Big Variety
LACES and
EMBROIDERIES.
ALL-OVER
EMBROIDERY
and
SKIRT EMBROIDERY

Imitation
Ermine Necklets
Half Price.

Regular \$2.50.	Sale Price \$1.25
Regular \$3.75.	Sale Price \$1.88
Regular \$4.50.	Sale Price \$2.25
Regular \$5.50.	Sale Price \$2.75

WHITE SHEETING.

Regular \$1.20.	Sale Price 96c.
Regular \$1.50.	Sale Price \$1.20
Regular \$1.60.	Sale Price \$1.28

PLAIN SHEETING.

Regular \$1.05.	Sale Price 84c.
Regular \$1.40.	Sale Price \$1.12
Regular \$1.75.	Sale Price \$1.40

WHITE TABLE LINEN.

Regular \$1.75.	Sale Price \$1.40
Regular \$2.20.	Sale Price \$1.76

CREAM WINCEY.

Regular \$1.00.	Sale Price 80c.
Regular \$1.20.	Sale Price 96c.
Regular \$1.35.	Sale Price \$1.08

White H. C. Quilts

Reg. \$3.50.	Sale Price \$2.50
\$4.00	\$3.25
\$6.50	\$5.20
\$8.00	\$6.40

White
Marcella Quilts.

Reg. \$4.00.	Sale Price \$3.20
\$4.50	\$3.60
\$6.50	\$5.20
\$8.00	\$6.40

BLOUSES.

WHITE VOILE.

Pretty styles neatly trimmed with lace and insertion.	
Reg. \$2.60.	Sale Price \$1.95
Reg. \$2.85.	Sale Price \$2.15
Reg. \$3.00.	Sale Price \$2.20
Reg. \$5.25.	Sale Price \$3.50
Reg. \$6.00.	Sale Price \$4.30

WHITE
JAP SILK BLOUSES.

Reg. \$5.00.	Sale Price \$3.55
Reg. \$6.00.	Sale Price \$4.20

NIGHTDRESSES.

WHITE CAMBRIC and
NAINSOOK.

Lace embroidery and ribbon trimmed.

Regular \$2.25.	Sale Price \$1.80
Regular \$3.00.	Sale Price \$2.40
Regular \$3.50.	Sale Price \$2.80

Regular \$6.00.	Sale Price \$4.25
Regular \$8.50.	Sale Price \$6.25
Regular \$9.00.	Sale Price \$6.60

CAMISOLES.

WHITE NAINSOOK.

Lace and ribbon trimmed.	
Regular \$1.30.	Sale Price \$1.04
Regular \$1.40.	Sale Price \$1.12
Regular \$1.80.	Sale Price \$1.44

SILK CAMISOLES in flesh color.	
Regular \$2.00.	Sale Price \$1.60
Regular \$2.50.	Sale Price \$2.00

WHITE
UNDERSKIRTS.

Embroidered and lace trimmed.

Regular \$3.50.	Sale Price \$2.80
Regular \$4.00.	Sale Price \$3.20
Regular \$5.00.	Sale Price \$4.00

INFANTS'
CHRISTENING
ROBES.

Regular \$6.00.	Sale Price \$4.80
Regular \$7.00.	Sale Price \$5.60
Regular \$7.20.	Sale Price \$5.76

CHILD'S
WHITE DRESSES.

VOILE and ORGANDIE.

To fit from 3 to 6 years.

Regular \$1.60 to \$4.50.	
Sale Price,	
\$1.28 to \$3.60.	

Larger sizes, to fit from 8 to 14 years.

Regular \$3.75 to \$6.00.

Sale Price,

\$3.00 to \$4.80.

INFANTS' WHITE
LAWN DRESSES.

Reg. 45c. Sale Price .36c.

WHITE
TURKISH
TOWELS.

Reg. 65c.	Sale Price 52c.
70c.	56c.
85c.	68c.
\$1.10	88c.
\$1.25	\$1.00
\$1.35	\$1.08
\$1.45	\$1.16

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WHITE FLANNELETTE.

Reg. 40c.	Sale Price .32c.
Reg. 45c.	Sale Price .36c.
Reg. 50c.	Sale Price .40c.
Reg. 57c.	Sale Price .46c.

SIDEBOARD and
TRAY CLOTHS.

BUREAU SCARVES.

PILLOW SHAMS.

TABLE CENTRES.

CUSHION COVERS.

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WHITE
LINEN TABLE COVERS

Regular \$2.50.	Sale Price \$2.00
Regular \$3.50.	Sale Price \$2.80
Regular \$4.00.	Sale Price \$3.20
Regular \$4.50.	Sale Price \$3.60
Regular \$4.75.	Sale Price \$3.80
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Regular \$5.50.	Sale Price \$4.40

DON'T FORGET 20 PER CENT. OFF ALL PURCHASES IN ALL OTHER LINES.

STEER BROTHERS

An Exceptional Opportunity For
THRIFTY SHOPPERS.

Special cut prices are the marked features of every line of this advertisement.

ARROW BRAND LINEN COLLARS.

30 dozen Arrow Collars. Regular Price 40c. Sale Price 25c. each.

AMERICAN SPRING BLINDS.

2 Dozen White Linen Spring Blinds, with fittings. Reg. Price \$1.20 each. Sale Price 45c. each.

AMERICAN BLINDINGS.

20 pieces Cream and Green Blinding, 32 in. wide; can be cut to narrower widths if necessary.

Reg. Price—Cream, 50c. yd. Sale Price, 28c. Reg. Price—Green, 60c. yd. Sale Price, 30c.

CHILD'S WOOL JERSEYS.

A few odd sizes in Child's All Wool English Jerseys. Reg. Price \$3.00. Sale Price \$1.50 ea.

WHITE SHIRTING.

5 pieces only very fine White Shirting. Reg. Price 65c. yard. Sale Price 52c. yard.

WHITE PIQUE.

A few pieces White Pique. Reg. Price \$1.00 yard. Sale Price 70c. yard.

SILENCE CLOTH.

1 end only of Silence Cloth, about 30 yards. Why spoil your nice mahogany table when you can get a length of Silence Cloth to protect it from hot dishes, etc. Reg. Price \$2.60 yard. Sale Price \$2.00 yard.

EMBROIDERIES.

We are continuing our Embroidery Sale for another week. Great variety of dainty goods from 3c. per yard up.

Marshall Brothers.

which will give not only the Shareholders, but Newfoundlanders in general, a healthier opinion of the possibilities of their country.

Respectfully submitted,
J. J. ST. JOHN, President.
T. J. FREEMAN, Secretary.

Weigh yourself the day you commence to take Brick's Tasteless, then weigh yourself two (2) weeks later and note the increase.—Jan 27, 21

Astronomical Clock.

Time on earth, the movements of the earth and moon around the sun, with the moon swinging around the earth, are shown in a clock designed by a Chicago man. The various movements, in concert with the actual happenings, typify the four seasons of the year.

In a glass dome surrounding the clock are three globes representing

the sun, earth and moon. This group shows how the sun illuminates the earth and moon; how the earth revolves around its axis every twenty-four hours, giving us both day and night; how the earth travels around the sun, giving us the four seasons of the year; how the moon revolves around the earth, thus changing its illuminated areas; and how the earth and moon together revolve around the sun, giving us the twelve months in a year. The eclipse of the sun and

moon, when they occur, are plainly depicted by the mechanism. The globes representing the sun and moon have been coated with phosphorescent material which radiates rays of light. This clock has tiny dials indicating time of the year and the day.

For your health's sake we offer Nature's answer to Constipation, "LES FRUITS." E. L. LIPS.—Dec 9, 20

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