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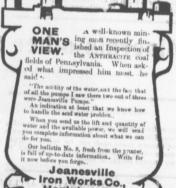
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Reliable crop reports from the Canadian west are optimistic for another year of plenty in cereal production. ministe for another year of pienty in cereal production. The aggregate acreage will, probably, be in excess of last year owing to the large number of newcomers settling in Alberta and Saskatchewan. The acreage in Manitobia is slightly lower than that of a year ago, but it is easily office by the increase in the other two western pro-



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CANADA'S COAL.

Some years ago it was imagined that only in two of the provinces of the Dominion were there great coal fields. Of late this view has uddergone a change, and large as is the amount of coal known to exist in Nova Scotia, it is but an atom as compared with the quantities believed to exist in the newer provinces. Mr. Nicolas of Ottawa writes in an American magazine as follows:

"If the mineral industry of the Dominion is ever to bear any large proportion to the agricultural industryto-day it is only about a fifth as great-it will not be gold or silver that will bring about the increase, though much gold and silver will undoubtedly be mined, value of the finds, however, and the chances of working them profitably, are more or less problematical. remains quite certain is that Canada is destined one day to be the great coal and iron producer of the world.

For many years coal has been worked in the Carboniferous rocks of Nova Scotia and the Cretaceous of Vancouver Island, but more lately the Cretaceous rocks of the Rockies have supplied most of the fuel requirements of the western provinces. On a smaller scale collieries have been opened in New Brunswick, in the southwest corner of Manitoba, in the Leithbridge District of Alberta, and in the Klondike region of the Yukon. But these fields are as mere drops in an ocean compared with the areas of coal that are known to occur in the North west Territories, and more especially in Alberta. For many hundreds or thousands of square miles the country is occupied by coal bearing formations. It is, indeed, practically impossible to appreciate the amount of coal that will one day be available-the human mind scarcely realizes such figures-but it may be mentioned that Mr. D. B. Dowling, of the Canadian Geological Survey, has estimated, and he considers his estimate very conservative, that from the coal areas already known in Alberta there is a possibility of extracting 150 billion tons in about the following proportions:

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Only a few years ago pessimistic wiseacres were esimating the probable coal supply of the world and counting on a shortage in our great grandchildren's time. The calculations of these estimable statisticians

coal areas of the universe. Since those croaking figures were given to a nervour public it is probable that fifty times as much coal has been located as the amount on which the woeful estimates were based. Australia, India and China have more than enough to supply their own requirements for many generations to come, but Canada has enough and to spare to supply the wants of both hemispheres.

Long before the present severe climatic conditions converted the Polar regions into the Arctic regions, immense forests flourished on what are now the shores of Hudson Strait and Baffin Island; these forests, now large coal fields, may, even in our own day, supply the steamers that will, within a few years, adopt the Hudson Bay route for carrying wheat from Manitoba to Europe,

FROM SMALL BEGINNINGS.

"The fortune that is built up by careful plodding from small means is the only fortune worth the having,

"This remark was recently made by one of America's greatest millionaires, whose present-day income, expressed in dollars, woald run into eight figures. ure of seeing the banking account and the income that is started from practically nothing grow day by day until it reaches colossal proportions is a pleasure that must to it reaches consess proportions is a pleasure that thus fascinate all. With every man and woman there is the desire to get rich, and the history of any great money-making exploit is read with avidity, Take the history

Some years ago Rockfeller stood in the streets of a great American town with little more than a few cents in his pocket. He was a hard-working young man-a man to see opportunities and make the most of them. He scraped together his first few dollars, until at last he was able to use them in an enterprise in which he alone was acce to the their in an enterprise to day stands as saw the glint of gold. The atherprise to day stands as a record of commercial success. The gigantic oil trust of which Rockfeller stands at the head is capitalised to the extent of something like £50,000,000, ating story of the great Lipton success is not less marvel-Starting as a grocer's assistant at a few shillings lous. Starting as a grocer's assistant at a new sninings a week, Thomas Lipton saved money until, possessing a little capital, he was able to employ it in the purchase of shops and goods. To-day over two hundred-shops in all parts of England bear his name, and he is recognized all parts of England bear his name, and he is recognized. an parts of England commercial experts in this country.

Another great American is Mr. Frederick Weyerhauser, the timber king. It is stated that he could buy up most of our famous money kings. Imagine a fortune of a bil-lion dollars! Imagine having at ones credit at the bank the amount of £200,000,000. This income was built time. The calculations of these estimable statisticians were excellent in detail and were wrong only in that the up just in the same way as the others, by the careful basis on which they were compiled was absolutely take. It was assumed that we knew of practically all the large of capital got together in days of hard work. "The great thing" said Cecil Rhodes; "is to make a start, Once you have commenced to accumulate and develop,

riches follow quickly." Mr. Weyerhauser, with his first life. few pounds, bought timber and sold it again. With the said the millionaire, profit thus obtained he invested in various securities, stammered the other bove stated. There are many other examples that we picked up that pin to stick into you while we were buying and selling stock, with the magnificent result acould give of men who have known the value of money, and whose incomes to-day are testimony to the fact that money really makes money. Charles Schwab, the great steel king; Jay Gould, the railway king; J. Pierpont Morgan, Andrew Carnegie—all these men, with fortunes ranging from £2,000,000 to £50,000,000 have built them up by first investing the initial sums at their disposal until they have grown into larger amounts, and then investing again.

Here are a few stories concerning the late Lord Young. He is credited with the description of three degrees of liars—The liar, the damned liar, and the skilled witness. It was also his lordship who, referring to the contribution of half a million of money to the funds of the Church of Scotland by Mr. James Baird of Cambusdoon remarked that it was "the heaviest insurance against fire on record." Sauntering down the Mound early one afon record. Sauntering down the Mound early one af-ternoon, his lordship was accosted by a friend who said to him: "Hello, the Second Division has surely risen early to-day?" "No," responded Lord Young "it has not risen. There is a case going on. The Justice-Clerk is writing brigade orders, Rutherfurd Clark is reading Greek, but Bob Lee is listening, so I just came away. At the time of a parliamentary election in Edinburgh, Lord Young was staying at a country house. The result of the election duly came to hand, but the majority was wrongly given at, say 19. A later message corrected the figures to 1900, and added the information that a couple of Lord Young's colleagues had recorded their votes, "Ah!" observed his lordship, "that accounts for the two cyphers."

A curious instance of animal instinct and attachment in an otter is related by a Cork pressman. A few months ago a man in that city caught a live otter by surprising it, using nothing but his bare hands. Bringing the animal home, after some time he succeeded in taming it, One day he took it to the river and trained it to fish, for a swim, and while there it killed some fish, but succeeded in getting off the strap to which it was attached. After waiting some hours in a vain endeavour to induce the animal to leave the water, the owner gave up in des-pair and returned home. Late that night, while in bed, this man heard a scratching at the front door of his cottage, and to his great surprise when he opened the door in walked the otter, which he then secured. The most remarkable feature of this story is she fact that this man lived about a mile from the river and that his cottage was one in a row.

A story is told of a poor boy who, while walking along a busy thoroughfare, saw a pin on the pavement before him. Quickly he stayed his steps, and picking up the pin, stuck it safely and securely in his coat. A wealthy man chancing to securely in his coat. A weating man chancing to pass at that time, saw the action, and was much impressed by it; so much so that he took the boy into his bank, and finally adopted him. Thirty years passed and the poor boy became a millionaire. Struck with an idea he one day drew a cheque for 2,000 pounds and gave it to a former strategies, who had not proposed in the runs of schoolmate, who had not prospered in the race of

"All that I am now I owe to you, John,' "But I don't understand," "Simple enough. stammered the other. had'nt hated you so at school I should never have

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What I would like very much to know is whether E. Stewart and Phil. Moore—both gentlemen will pardon me for taking familiarity with their names—are higher authorities on gold mining in Nova Scotia, or rather on the cause of the decline of gold mining in Nova Scotia than Mr. Frank Nicolas of Ottawa, member of the Geological Sur-Mr. Stewart is as sure as anyvey of Canada. thing that the high price of coal is the chief contributing cause to the decline, and friend Phil. is ready to take off his coat to any one who dare say that high priced coal has shut down more gold mines in Nova Scotia than all other causes combined Generally when I hear of failure in any enterprise I associate it with management.
That is the alpha and the omega to present day business success. While I might think as I heard Mr. Stewart smash coal, I of course was not rude enough to say before his face that bad management and not high priced coal should get the blame. Now that Mr. Stewart's back is to me, and I have no fear of Phil's fist, I may say to beth that they are both that they are wrong and that if there has been failure it is due chiefly to bad management. That has all along been my opinion, but I have not been assertive, being timid. Now that another holds similar opinions I can the better be bold. Will the gentlemen who have been down on the 'coal barons' carefully read and ponder over the following utterances of Mr. Nicolas.

"Gold mining in Nova Scotia is on a different basis, and might, in the opinion of those best qualified to judge, have been made a really profitable undertaking. Over capitalization, a desper-ate hurry to make dollars out of the shares rather than out of the mines, a pretty general lack of competence in the management, and a magnificent discrepancy in the value of the lodes, which would crush twenty ounces per ton from one foot and four pennyweights from the next, have combined to hamper an industry that could only have been placed on a paying basis by good finance, high class management, and an up-to-date system of developing reserves. Although there are over twenty proclaimed gold districts in the province the total annual output scarcely exceeds \$500,000, Compared with some of the big mines in India, Australia and the United States, which produce over \$250,000 monthly, Nova Scotia seems exceedingly 'small beer'. The mines, however, average over \$6 per ton, and there seems no reason why they should not be worked at a good profit, especielly when one remembers the returns that have been obtained in very deep mines of similar formation in Bendigo and Ballarat, where \$4 pays a fair dividend on a reasonable capital."

Thank you Mr. Nicolas, they deserve all they

get-and more.

-1-Why are workingmen abandoning the churches? is a question which, at the present time, is agitating many minds in many lands. Many answers are given to the question, and still none of them is quite satisfactory. We are told, for instance, that it is not the workingmen who have forsaken the churches but that the churches have forsaken the workingmen. That is not quite correct, for today social questions command much more attention from the pulpit than thirty years ago. True, since then there has been evolution. The workingman of today is not the humble servant he was fifty years ago, when he was apparently content to be accounted a servant. Workingmen today have much more independence, and with that there has been a growth of pride, which, of course, is not wrong-in moderation. He is not content today to take the same back seat he might have been satisfied with half a century ago. He has opinions, and his belief is that these are as worthy of consideration as those more favored, so far as worldly advantages go. If, in past times, he could not afford better than homespun his pride did not place that as a barrier to attending church. Today it is different. If he cannot afford broadcloth then he thinks he cannot attend church. A minister in Edinburgh lately, who wished to solve-if possible -this problem for himself, called a meeting of workingmen for a friendly talk. Having succeeded in drawing a crowd he explained the object of the gathering. For a long time there was a painful silence. At length a railway man got up and said: "Many did not go to church because they had not clothes good enough." That statement was no doubt correct, for I

cannot see how railway men, in the old land, can afford garments made of richer material than cheese cloth, with wages of from four to five dollars, in many cases, in a week. Another chap screwed up courage to say that the church was for the classes and not for the masses, and took stronger sides with capital than with labor. The minister in this case said that never did the church display such interest in social questions as at the present time, and it was curious that the workingmen should be deserting the churches at a time when they were doing more for the cause of practical right doing than ever before. One other got up and said that, first, workingmen did not like to see those setting in the pew before them casting in silver while they only could afford a copper, and further, that the workingmen were not going to church on account of the continual dunning for money, for this or that special collection. There is much more than one might think in each of these reasons. The widow we read about in the Bible who contributed her farthing, no doubt saw the rich people throw in gifts out of and in keeping with the abundance of their wealth, and experienced no pang of jealousy, nor was devoured by a sense of injustice. We have not, I fear, the widow's humility-or charity. If we-I am speaking as a workingman-see a capitalist throwing in his gold we may be apt to say: "You buffer, you can well afford to do that, for part of it by rights is ours," and we experience the feeling of injustice being done us in the church. As to the second reason, the continual dunning for collections, there is no doubt a good deal in it. Even those who are fairly well off and who are fairly liberal givers, are forced at times to the idea that there is something incongruous in these repeated attacks on the pockets, in this perpetual solicitation. No doubt money is required for the many beneficent objects, but the question is should the church be the medium through which it is secured; should the church, on a Sunday especially, perform the duties of a collection agency? I, at times, doubt it and think there might be some other way. Oh, I know what you will say, that the church must be supported, that the missions need money, and that there must be contributions for many purposes. I am fully aware of all that, but if this calling for collections for foreign missions, to save the heathen, is going to drive the workingmen from the churches, then some other way or raising funds for missions must be hit upon. If our methods tend to make Christians of strangers and half heathen of neighbors, then our methods, certainly, need revision. The subject of nonchurch-going is a big one. Many remedies have been tried, but none, so far, seems effective. I wonder if a reason for decadence in church attendance is that people are not quite so superstitious as in olden times. I give it up.

Is there need for so many collections? Why could there not be a membership fee for males over thirty and earning not less than \$1.50 per day, of 25 cents weekly. This fee to be paid by 'rich' and 'poor' alike. While this sum weekly would be all exacted of attenders, those who could afford more should or could give it as a donation. Some may say, "This would be abolishing the volunteer system." I admit it, in part, but surely you do not call the present system voluntary, when there is continual de-mands for larger contributions. "It would decrease the collection," others might say. Well, what of that, if it keeps people from ceing driven from church. In their trade unions, or their friendly societies, workingmen are called upon only at stated periods for stated amounts. They know what they must pay and pay it. If in the many societies to which workingmen belonged continued calls for contributions were made, no doubt the so-cieties would suffer from "falling away" of workingmen, just as, it is said, the churches are suffering.

Not long ago a clergyman speaking from the pulpit said he could not understand how his congregation would respond so liberally to a call for a collection for the famine stricken of Japan, as they did a year ago, or for the people of China, in similar straits, as they did recently, and yet if there was a call for money to forward the work of missions in these countries, the response would be far less liberal, and yet was not the salvation of the soul more than the saving of the body? This is no puzzle at all. A flippant answer might be: "If their bodies are not saved how can their souls be''? To answer the question satisfactorily one must needs be brutally frank. If we give money to buy rice to save the lives of the Japanese or Chinese, and believe what we are told that so small a sum as a dollar may mean life to a man, and that dollar withheld means a death from starvation, we give it willingly, knowing or believing that it will fulfil the ob-ject for which it is given. We are told, and we believe it, that we can, by contributing, be very active agents in the preservation of a Chinaman's body-one body for every dollar-and therefore we give; and we give it in faith not wavering. In other words, we are convinced that results will justify the giving. We know that the purchase of a certain quantity of rice for a certain sum will certainly save a Chinaman from death by starvation. We are not so sure that double, triple, quadruple the amount of money, will serve the purpose of persuading a Chinaman to emerge from the darkness of Confucius into the light of the Gospel. Whether the dollar be given for the bodily or the spiritual welfare of the Chinaman, in either case it is a Christlike act, and I suppose we give more in olden tires. I give it up.

readily in the first case because the investment will give more tangible and quicker returns. I might not have written so frankly, some may say bluntly, if I did not believe the clergyman's surprise was genuine, and that he really wondered at our dimness of vision and hardness of heart.

The Herald's Sydney Mines Socialist has been at it again. By and by one may know the man, as at odd times he shows his colors. He has not yet told us to what group of the Socialists he belongs, and after his latest it is scarcely necessary that he does so. Broadly speaking, Socialists may be divided into two classes: the better class, those who profess to follow closely the precepts contained in the Sermon on the Mount, and the fierier kind, the wearers of the revolutionary red shirt. From some of his previous utterances one might have almost thought he was inspired by lofty motives, and had attained a great moral altitude. But, alas! he turns out to be of the sect of Socialists kin to the anarchists. He led us for a time to believe that he was a follower of Moses, and was therefore a meek man; and a disciple of the Gallilean, and therefore went about doing good. Instead of that he is a Boanerges and invokes the fire of Heaven on every son of a gun who by thrift or economy, or industry, or by the wisdom of his forebears, accumulates five more cents than he himself possesses. In his latest he justifies the men squeezing the masters when they have the chance. In other words he is a believer in retaliation. Is he unaware of the fact that that is a game two can play at, and if it is to be the game who will in the end get the worst of it? The Socialists in the British parliament urge disarmament and protest against armies on the score of expense. The Herald's stripe of Socialist calls the workingmen to arms and tells them as much as that the healing of the nations can only be effected by fierce industrial strife. Says The Herald writer: "The philosophy of striking consists in workingmen unitedly and unexpectedly stopping work just at the exact time when it is most necessary for their employers that they should continue at work." Well, this is rich in view of present day experiences. The late big strike of miners in the west did not hit the operators: it hit the unoffending public and lost the miners friends. Trades Unionists formerly had, as their philosophy, striking whenever And where did that it came up their back. philosophy land them? Striking unexpectedly is not the modern philosophy of Trades Unions. In Britain due notice is given the masters before any important strike takes place. Herald writer's philosophy is out of date, played out. It was found not to be in accord with the ordinary intelligence of the times, and is being gradually discarded. Of course it I not district district on saw reputation tail i has still its broken-down and disregarded votaries-a diminishing number-for which thank goodness. Force was employed in the past, and force for a time was fashionable. Now reason is having its day, and progress all along the line is most pronounced, though there are still those who prate about the bondage of the toilers.

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************* SINCE FORTY YEARS.

The total number of men and boys employed below and above ground, at the coal mines of Nova Scotia forty years ago, was 2,984. The quantity of coal raised was 542,000 tons, which gives a little over 181 tons per person employed. In 1906 there was a total of 12,123 persons and the coal raised was 5,866,000 tons, or 483 tons per person employed, or more than two and a half times as much as thirty years ago. But it has to be remembered that in 1867 there were no mining machines. In the old days the proportion of surface men to underground men was very much greater than today, probably due, in part, to the fact that much more coal was banked then than now. Of the total number of persons employed in 1867 forty per cent, were employed over ground, whereas last year there were not quite 24 per cent. The two chief producing mines in those days belonged to the General Mining Association, and this company were the largest employers of labor. The Albion, in 1867, raised 143,000 tons and had 702 employees all told. The Sydney Mines raised 116,000 with 548 employees. The Albion mines produced that year per employee 204 tons. Sydney Mines did a little better with 212 tons, but the difference is trifling, and just as Sydney Mines did better then so does the enlarged Sydney Mines do a trifle better than the Albion amalgamated. Last year the Acadia gave employment to a total of 1031 persons, the coal raised being 319 tons per The Sydney Mines employed 1948 men and boys and raised 341 tons per em-In 1867 there was coal raised from 28 different caused instant death."

pits. It may be imagined some of them were trifling producers. The Block House was then the third largest producer, with 84,000 tons. Glace Bay was fourth, Lingan fifth and Gowrie sixth. The Block House, the old Gowrie and old Lingan having served their day and generation, are now no more. They were not the oldest of our mines. These, in the Joggins, the Albion and Sydney Mines, are still with us. They have the power of continually renewing their youth. In the last forty years, as was to be expected, the trade has undergone many changes. In 1867 the home market played an insignificant part, taking only 35,000 tons, or, say, seven and a half per cent. of the total sales, whereas in 1906 this market appropriated 1.960,000 tons, or thirty-seven per cent. of the total sales. This is a gratifying change, As manufactures increase in this province the home market should prove an important and growing factor. Forty years ago there was no Springhill, no Dominion Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5 or 6, and the Acadia and the Albion had not put off their swaddling clothes. Some of the mines of forty years ago are growing old, but though gray-haired they give promise of still many years of usefulness.

The government of Nova Scotia had no inspector of mines for a half century after mining had begun in the provinces. I think the first inspector was John Rutherford, who was appointed either at the end of 1865 or beginning of 1866. In that latter year the department began to take a little interest in coal mining and issued a circular requesting the managers to send particulars of all accidents. Some of the managers did not comply punctually with the request. Possibly they thought it an interference

In the old days at Sydney Mines they must have had some primitive machinery. One cannot fancy today a man standing in front of a drum, on an incline or balance, guiding the rope on the drum with a bar. The following peculiar accident befell W. McIntyre, an underground employee at Sydney Mines, in October, 1867: McIntyre was employed at the underground engine in the Sydney mine; his duty was to guide the rope on the drums; for this purpose he stood in front of the drums and only a few feet from them, and with a lever directed the course of the ropes as they were wound round the drums. When the accident happened the rope was passing on the underside of the drum, on which he was guiding it. The engineman did not observe his disappearance at the minute. His attention was, however, drawn by something unusual on the drum and he immediately inquired what it was. Receiving no answer, he then perceived that it was the body of McIntyre and at once stopped the engine, too late, however, to save him, the The Acadia has the stiffer proposition, rope having wrapped round his neck and

That there is shale in Antigonish county is indisputable; that there is coal is still a question. Many have been the reports of important finds of coal, but somehow the discoveries never panned out. Away back in the sixties the then inspector of mines is tempted to say: "In the county of Antigonish there have been some important discoveries. The works are only as yet of a preparatory character; but from statements made by those engaged in the enterprise I have no doubt but that the mines will be important ones, and will add very materially to the interests of the county. Here we have an instance of misplaced confidence. The writer of this became seized with the belief that he could find coal in that county. The government got thirty dollars, as a result of his optimism, and he-didn't get coal. And yet it may be there right enough."

Thirty per cent. of all the accidents which occurred in all the mines of Nova Scotia in 1869 were caused by explosions of powder. One of the accidents occurred when a man attempted to fill his can from his keg the while he had a lighted pipe in his mouth. This accident happened at the Drummond colliery. They neither use powder nor smoke pipes in that mine now. It would not be healthy if they did.

SOME WISE WORDS OF LONG AGO.

One little realizes, at times, how much depends upon the point of view. A man may eloquently and zealously advocate a certain course while occupying a certain position, and ridicule the identical thing he formerly advocated when placed in another position or situation. A change of circumstance, or place, may cause a man to go back upon his record. How many, familiar with the circumstances, would, for instance, think it possible that the one who gave utterance to the following wise words,, would stoutly oppose the general introduction of certificates for mine managers and mine workers, the only reason for the change of attitude being that he was not a mine manager when he wrote the words, and was one when he opposed the granting of certificates. There is nothing so strange as human nature, and at some time or other, not to say all the time, we are subject to spells of it. In the following extract from the writings of one who filled important positions in connection with coal mining in Nova Scotia, there are truths which apply as forcibly today as when written -some thirty years ago.

"The products of the mine, being either absolutely or practically limited in quantity, once extracted cannot be reproduced by cultivation as the products of the soil; they should, therefore, be regarded as property held in trust by the present for the public benefit of this and future generations, and should, with watchfulness, be protected from waste and

lavish consumption. Though there is a natural tendency for all corporations, holding but temporary lease of such property, to endeavor to reap as speedily as may be the largest present gain, without respecting the true welfare of the property they hold, we cannot yet complain of a lavish expenditure of our mineral products, but we can of wastefulness connected with the management of many undertakings. Without any exaggeration it can be said that large sums of money have been uselessly expended on the development of our mineral resources while yet the business is comparatively insignificant. In referring to this waste it is not a vocated that it could for the future be entirely prevented by the employment of certificated managers, but the advantage to the country and to the lessees of crown property to be derived from the employment of thoroughly efficient men, is only too apparent to capitalists and others familiar with the past history of our mining enterprises.

"It has been deemed expedient in this country that the law should interfere and require that the masters and mates in charge of our marine shall be men in whom trust can be placed, men who by practical experience and professional education are, up to a certain standard, fitted to fill the positions they occupy. If this, then, has been considered necessary, where the property is not directly owned by the crown, how much more should some prudent supervision be exercised in the case of

our mines, which are?" In England (presumably Britain, Es. Rec.,) where the mineral rights are held by private owners, the law requires a certificated manager to be in charge of every mine, and though there has been a good deal of doubt expressed as to the thoroughness of the present system of granting certificates there adopted, it is evidently a move in the right direction, and naturally suggests a similar movement in other mining countries. Since the law has been in force and an opportunity given to observe its working, it has been suggested by some of the prize essayists writing on the 'Prevention of Catastrophies in Mines,' that it would be an improvement were all colliery officials required to possess certificates, but also the overmen, deputies and firemen should be required to hold certificates of first, second or third class, according to the There can be no doubt positions they hold. but that men in such positions as deputies and firemen should have that amount of book learning essential for the proper performance of their duties. An efficient fireman should be able to say why fire damps collect near the roof, and choke damp near the pavement, and explain how atmospheric changes of temperature and pressure effect mines and increase or check the outflow of gases from the measures. Few can do so; but were it made compulsory

by law that after the lapse of a certain number of years all officials should hold certificates of competency, obtained by passing examinations on mining matters relating to their special duties, we might then hope that great improvements would take place in the safety of our mines.

There are many among the working miners who, possessed of the requisite natural ability and determination to succeed, would strive to improve their position by strenuous efforts in their spare hours did they have before them the inducement to supply their lack of early education, which the opportunity to earn certificates of competency would hold out to them. There are men now holding responsible positions at some of our mines, who have made their way by the determinate exercise of their natural energy of character, and the success that has crowned their efforts should give much weight to any opinion they may form on this subject, and I believe their opinion is generally in favor of such a scheme as is shadowed forth above. While there are few men possessed of the indomitable pluck requisite to induce them to strive against years of discouragement, there are many of natural ability who would, could they work their way by easy stages, gaining well defined positions of advancement, as they strove, be induced to improve their leisure time and endeavor to fit themselves for positions of trust and greater emolument, were such an opportunity given, then would the general standard of education in the mining community be elevated and the moral tone improved."

The opportunity has been given, and has been largely embraced; the standard of education has been raised, and the moral tone improved, greatly improved, though there are still scallywags at one or two places, say Glace Bay for instance, whose only fitting place is the penitentiary.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION. Not a New Idea in Nova Scotia.

Though it is only in 1907 that Nova Scotia has set seriously to work, in an effort to establish a system of technical education, it has been long in the minds of those connected with the Mines Department that a special need of Nova Scotia was better technical education. The proposed establishment of trade schools, and a technical college, is not in any sense to a wholly new cry. The cry, of late, may have been given in louder tones, but this demand for a technical college but emphasizes the axiom that there is nothing new under the sun. Our supposed new ideas are often hoary with age. In his report to the Provincial Secretary in February, 1872, the Hon. Mr. Garvie, who was then the Chief Commissioner of Mines, says:—

"I cannot close this report without urging the necessity there exists for the establishment of a School of Mines for the province. To her mineral riches, mainly, Nova Scotia must look more and more every year, for the source of progress and prosperity. But unscientific mining in Nova Scotia must always be unproductive. The gold fields of this province show no alluvial lotteries where luck may dispense with skill. The gold mining quartz of the country forms a remunerative investment for capital, which is scientifically applied and intelligently managed, but mere ignorant labor has heretofore proved, for the most part, fruitless labor. To attract foreign capital to our mines, and afterwards to extend manufactures, give greater safeguards to our own native capital flowing in the same direction, and to find lucrative employment for a growing mining population, are those requirements of our present position which can be best satisfied by a more general diffusion of accurate information regarding our mineral resources, and the right modes of reaching and working them. For this purpose a School of Mines, wherein practical and economic geology could be studied, where the mineralogy of the province could be properly defined, and where the best technical mining education might be imparted, would be of the utmost value to the population, and would tend far more rapidly to the development of the mining resources of the whole country. I trust, will be taken to commence the establishment, and equipment, of a Provincial School of therefore, the earliest available opportunity Mines." Some claim that this person, or that other, is entitled to the chief credit for having, at least, enlisted the sympathies of the government in the direction of technical education. The credit is due to no one man. Those who may have said the most may not have contributed most to the furtherance of the scheme. Mr. Garvie mooted the necessity, before many of the later workers ever dreamed of technical schools, before they became in any way interested in mining.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Co. has commenced setting out some 550,000 trees, with a view to providing for the company's tie requirements in future years. Two hundred and twenty-five thousand trees are to be planted at Mount Union, Pa., and an equal number at Altoona. At Hollidaysburg a nursery is being created, where young trees will be grown from seed, with a view to setting out when sufficient size is attained. When this spring's work has been completed, the company will have about 1,000 acres under tree culture, with about 2,-500,000 trees upon them. The company now utilizes about 5,000,000 new ties every year, and each tie lasts about seven years.

AROUND THE COLLIERIES.

The Allan Shafts produced 8000 tons of coal last month.

Things are looking cleaner and brighter around Dom. No. 5 than usual.

International is producing about 1000 tons per day. A very good output indeed for that mine.

What of Lingan, many are asking, Lingan areas will open in due time, but not just at pre-

The bankhead at Dom. No. 1 is getting a new covering of corrigated iron which will improve the appearance of it very much.

The new bank-head at Dom. 5, is doing well, with the exception of ordinary adjustments due to new gear and machinery causing some delays.

Recently one of the compressors at Dom. No. 4 had a break-down for a couple of days which of course causes diminished output for that length of time.

Dom. No. 6 is doing well all things considered, The men were idle 3 days lately on account of the unfortunate accident by which Charles McDonald lost his life.

Pictou coal field is better than the geologists Well, these fellows can't see any said it was. deeper into the ground than the average man of observation.

Experiments have been made at Dominion No. 1 with a new explosive called "Mo-nobel." It is claimed to be equal in all respects to "Excelite," and it proved to be what is claim for it.

ning; the generators especially, takes away steam in order to furnish power to other mines.

Things are running smoothly at Dom. No. 3. The haulage system will soon need an extension so quickly that extension of haulage is a very frequent occurrence.

The new slope of the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Coy, has started away under circumstances that will be long remembered. Three men were working at the face of the deep, when a full box painstaking geologist, then the boring process from the bank ran back down the slope a distance may be discarded for a clear open view of the face of the deep, when a full box painstaking geologist, then the boring process from the bank ran back down the slope a distance may be discarded for a clear open view of the face of the most want the face of the most work that the face of the most work the face of the desires of the most work the face of the desires of the most working at the face of the desires of the most working at the face of the desires of the most working at the face of the desires of the most working at the face of the desires of the most working at the face of the deep, when a full box painstaking geologist, then the boring process of the face of the deep, when a full box painstaking geologist, then the boring process of the face of the deep, when a full box painstaking geologist, then the boring process of the face o money to mine coal.

There are no less than nine collieries extracting coal from under the Cape Breton coast waters, and yet the knowledge of sub-marine mining is not voluminous.

Springhill mines is as usual busy. The output is greatly hindered by loss of time by the men. The picnic scason is a nuisance to judge by the growl of the managers.

Manager Hargreaves has left for the "Old sent.

Country," and will visit the several mining centres in England. Mrs. Hargreaves and their larged and improved; the manager is bound to daughter Mrs. McLeod accompanies him.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Weir, U. G. M. to Angus R. McDonald, U. G. M. of Dominion No. at Dom. No. 9, is not improving in health as rap-6. Scarcely recovered from a vary sidly as we could wish him. on the slope.

The water shaft at International is doing good work. The automatic hoisting tanks are gaining six inches each day. It is safe to predict that the water problem is solved so far as International colliery goes.

The new endless haulage installed in Dom. No. 10 is giving excellent results. It was quick work to install it considering that about 2000 ft. x 12ft. of rock 3 ft, thick had to be blasted down and removed in order to get height.

Extracting pillar coal with machines has and is being done at Dominion 2. Pillar drawing is a dangerous work at the best, and requires skill and care. With the noise of machinery added the dangers becomes greater.

The water in Dom. No. 7 is now nearly 1000 ft. below the shore line, and some coal will likely be hoisted in August. The new bankhead is going up rapidly and the old Hub is beginning to look like a colliery again.

Dom. No 8, is keeping up its former reputation. The water shaft is doing good work. Credit is due the men who successfully tapped that body More boilers are needed at Dom. No. 2 in or- is due the men who successfully tapped that body der to keep up steam for all the engines now run- of water into the shaft. There has been some that kind could be tackled and successfully com-

If safe explosives are not found for the Cape Breton mines it will not be for the want of experin order to get the coal from No. 14 lift; this mine Breton mines it will not be for the want of exper-having only a narrow strip of coal, finishes a lift iments. The latest has assumed a better name than most of the recent introductions. We trust than most of the recent introductions. We trust it will do justice to the name it bears as "Nobel" is much more pleasing to the ear than the "ites"

If the Phalen seam has not been prospected on the No. 6, side to suit the desires of the most THE BEGINNINGS OF GOLD MINING IN NOVA SCOTIA.

Gold was found in Nova Scotia toward the last quarter of the eighteenth century. But the mining of gold did not begin until the year 1861, and as if to make up for lost time people went at it with a rush. In 1862, only 6,473 tons of quartz were crushed; the year following the quantity rose to 17,000 tons. In 1866 32,000 tons were crushed, and as large a quantity was not again put through the mills for 22 years. The early days of gold mining in Nova Scotia were presumably the most profitable. For the six years, 1864-1869 inclusive, there were crushed 176,000 tons of quartz, the yield from which was 136,000 ounces of gold. The yield was fifteen and a third dwts. per ton. For the six years, 1898-1903 inclusive, the large quantity of 628,000 tens was crushed, the yield being 173,289 ounces in say 51/2 dwts. per ton. The gold output record year is 1898, when the yield was 31,000 ounces. The years 1904, 5 and 6 give poor returns. Indeed, from the figures of the last three years it looks as if the bottom had fallen out of the business. gold men all of a sudden must have taken cold feet, for the decline in output came of a sudden from 25,000 ounces in 1903 to 14,000 ounces in 1904. Some of the mines, when first opened, gave big returns. In one shaft of the Tudor vein at Waverley, the yield was 6 to 8 ounces per ton. Our best paying mine today is one where the returns show considerably less than 5 dwts. to the ton. At one time it was thought that Nova Scotia was as rich in gold as California, and that there would be a rush from all over. Somehow capital fought shy, and instead of a rush there has been

steady plodding. Formerly experts had no doubt as to the immense value of the gold fields. Today they are less optimistic. There are some, however, that have not lost faith and who declare that Nova Scotia will yet become one of the greatest gold fields in the world. So mote it be.

MINERS' EARNINGS.

One reason why men may puefer coal mining, with its darkness and dangers, to any other occupation, may be due to the feeling, founded on fact, that better wages are made at it than at a majority of other trades, or occupations. In regard to employment and wages miners hold a prominent place. A table in the Labor Gazette shows the wages made in the principal occupations in Canada. Nine different classes of workmen are given. In regard to yearly earnings they range as follows:

1st, Fisheries, \$205.00; 2nd, Agricultural, \$207.00; 3rd, Domestic, \$272.00; 4th, Forestry and Lumbering, \$305.00; 5th, Miscellaneons, \$387.00; 6th, Manufacturing, \$408.00; 7th, Trade and Transportation, \$503.01 8th, Ming, \$513.00, and 9th, Professional, \$676.00. These are the wages earned in 1901. Since then there has been an increase in, it may be said, all trades, and the miners, of course, have participated. The table is not full enough to permit of a rigid comparison. The total earned in the year may represent 300 days' work in one case and in the other 240 days. If it be true that miners work a less number of days than some other tradesmen, then the table scarcely permits of making a fair comparison.

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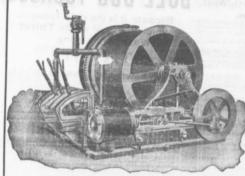
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