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A Description of Cripple Creek by Jas. B. Arnold.

The morning sun had only begun to chase away the mists of the night, as I stood upon the mountain side viewing this great work of art by that master of all painters, "Jack Frost." Beginning at the foot hills in the valley where the frost had only touched the leaves lightly, changing, as they do, from the deep green to the red and orange and some of the leaves shaded with the most beautiful colorings, and yet in all their beauty they tell us our summer is dying. Like the sweet faced babe upon whose cheek the dreaded fever has left its flush, yet the instinct of the mother tells her it is the fading away of the sweet flower. Below me in the valley, just brushing from her, eyes the cobwebs of the night, is the best advertised city in the world to-day, "Cripple Creek," the golden. I hardly know how to begin to describe to you this cloud kissed city of the west. The boom-boom of explosions that you hear upon every side, as blast after blast lets go with a mighty force, tearing from mother earth the treasure she has held for untold centuries, the clang of steel upon steel sounding like the echo of a far away bell, as the drill is sent deeper into the gold bearing rock that has almost the hardness of steel. Cripple Creek is the heart of the golden El Dorado and her 20,000 inhabitants live 10,400 feet above the sea. It is a city in the clouds, and yet one of the greatest mining camps in the world. A place where men have gotten as high up as they can live, yet spend their time in going down into the bowels of the earth. It is a city of no particular beauty in itself, but it is set in a frame of magnificence and splendor. It was the best of Europe some years ago that the monastery of Saint Bernard was the highest building in that country, being 8,200 feet above the level of the sea. Then Sicily, not to be outdone, erected an observatory upon Etna 9,200 feet above sea level, and they thought they had done wonders. Yet here is a city 1,200 feet higher, and within a gun shot of where I stand is the town of Aultman, 10,700 feet above sea level, said to be the highest incorporated town in the world. Frost every month in the year pays its visit to Aultman. Five months ago the city of Cripple Creek was almost swept from the face of the earth by two disastrous fires, causing a loss of over a million dollars. Yet not for a single moment did this great calamity check her wonderful financial progress. Her great wealth was in the bowels of the earth, and work never stopped for a single moment, and before the fires had died down thousands of dollars of the golden ore was being hoisted from her great mines, and to-day she has risen from her ashes as if by magic, in the form of magnificent brick blocks, and her baptism of fire of only five months ago has almost been forgotten. One million dollars in gold was taken from the Cripple Creek district last month, and this month they expect to ship one million, two hundred thousand dollars, and as the mines grow richer as they grow deeper, there is no telling what the camp will produce in the months to come. The rock is so hard that mining is expensive. For example, I will take the Abe Lincoln mine. Our shaft is 6x10 feet and the contract price for mining is \$15 a foot, and at this price the minor only averages about three dollars a day and is working in water all the time. Work never stops day or night. Three crews, 5 each, working eight hours keeps the machinery going twenty-four hours steadily. I have been asked if it was not a good place to find work and to this question I will have to say, no, as laborers are plenty here. The electric displays in the show windows of the stores are simply wonderful, putting to shame some of our largest stores in the east. The streets are so crowded that you have to push yourself through the crowds, and every once in awhile you see the gleam of a shining revolver, just to tell you in its silent way that it is a good thing to attend to your own business. This not a healthy place for John Chinaman, as not one is allowed to come within the city limits. The tenth of every month is pay day in the district, and \$300,000 is paid out in cash. Vice in every form has taken up her abode in this place, not hidden behind closed doors, but all open to the view of the passing crowd, and a walk in the evening through the streets to one not used to such sights, makes you long for the atmosphere of purity. This is my last night in the place and, climbing a high elevation, I take a last look. To my right is the city of the dead, its

many headstones glistening in the moonlight, silent sentinels of the last resting place of the departed. Down in the valley the city, gleaming with its many brilliant lights, flashing out into the darkness with the brilliancy of many gems. Towering 14,474 feet is Blanca Peak, on the Sangre de Cristo range, clad in its winding sheet of snow. I again take a last look at the city in the distance, a perfect Sodom on earth, and wonder if it will take a baptism of fire from heaven to purify it, as it takes the fiery furnace to purify the gold its inhabitants take from the mines.

JAS. B. ARNOLD.

The Grandest Remedy.

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant, of Chilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured, by use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business, and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for coughs, colds, and consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at H. Alex. Stoke's drug store.

For \$10.00 you can get one of the finest suits or overcoats you ever saw, at Bell's.

The history of Down's Elixir is identified with the history of New England for the last fifty years. It cures coughs and colds. For sale by H. A. Stoke.

A new line of dolls just received at Stoke's.

Men's wool coats at Deemer's.

Costiveness is the cause of the intolerable "bad breath" of multitudes. Dr. Henry Baxter's Mandrake Bitters remove the cause and prevent the evil, and cost only 25 cents. For sale by H. A. Stoke.

The last shoe has a new toe. Deemers. Subscribe for THE STAR and get all the local, county and general news for \$1.00 a year.

Notice.

All persons having had dealings with us are requested to call and see if their accounts are properly closed up as all open accounts will be left for collection. J. C. KING & CO.

Arnica & Oil Liniment is the best remedy known for stiff joints. For sale by H. A. Stoke.

Castor oil by the barrel at Stoke's.

THE PEOPLE'S Bargain Store

Has a Complete Stock of Fall and Winter Goods, especially Men's and Ladies'

Furnishing Goods.

We will mention a few prices which are as low as can be found anywhere else in this country. Men's suits at a bargain at \$3.50, worth 6.50.

Men's pants from 65c. up; Men's underwear from 50c. a suit up; Men's winter caps from 25c. up; Boys' suits, all sizes, from 75c. up. A 40c. cap given away with every suit over \$1.00.

Boy's Merino underwear at a bargain at 35c. a suit, worth 50c; Children's Merino underwear from 7c. up; Natural wool, red and grey, underwear for children from 17c. up.

Ladies' long sleeve underwear for 17c. up.

Men's winter gloves, former price 40c., now at 25c.

Special bargains in Men's and Boys' shoes.

Our motto is quick sale and small profit.

Call and see us, it costs nothing to see goods and get prices.

People's Bargain Store, A. KATZEN, Prop'r.

The Best Assortment in the county under one roof.

Clothing FOR Men AND Boys!

The Finest Stock of Clothing exhibited in the county.



LEADING AND RELIABLE DEALERS.

NEWNESS!



The word newness covers the entire field, newness in style, newness in shape and newness in fabric.

We have long been noted for selling the most perfect fitting and correctly made men's wear, and each season we make improvements upon the preceding one and add new laurels and additional prestige to our Clothing reputation.

Our popular line for the fall and winter of '96 contains: Scotch Cheviots, Scotch Tweeds, Scotch Cassimeres and all the other new effects in Fancy Worsted, Cassimeres and Twills. The styles are single and double breasted sacks and square cuts.

There are no suits in Reynoldsville to match ours for the price we offer them: \$3, 3.50, 4.50, \$5, 5.50, \$6, 6.50, \$7, \$8, \$9, \$10 and \$12.

Faultless Fall Shoes!



An assortment of styles, a selection of materials and a quality of workmanship that is not equaled by any exclusive dealer, at even higher prices. We have Box Calf, Domestic Calf. Every pair Goodyear Welt sewed soles, in razor toes, English toes, square and wide French toes. Every pair guaranteed by us. If not satisfactory, a new pair free.

Furnishing Goods!

Men's neckwear in newest shapes, and every kind and style of silk and satin. Many novelties in colorings exclusive with us, qualities worth twice our asking price, 25 and 50c.

Shirt Department.

Men's white body with percale bosom dress shirts, plain or pleated bosoms, newest novelties in patterns and colorings, 75c. and \$1. Men's and Boys' heavy wool and jersey shirts, fancy and plain bosoms, from 50c. to \$1.25. See them.

Men's and Boys' Fall and Winter Overcoats.



The cold and chilly nights make you think of winter Overcoats. We are ready with a complete line in the newest fabrics and styles. Men's Shotland and Irish Freeze, Double and Single Breasted Storm Overcoats, also a big line of blue and black Broadcloth with deep velvet collar at \$4.50, \$5, \$6, \$7, \$8, \$9, \$10 and \$12. Boys' long cut, double breasted Overcoats with cape or storm collar at \$1.50, \$2, \$3, and \$4. Call and see the Largest, Best and Cheapest stock of Overcoats exhibited in the county.

HEAVY AND MEDIUM WEIGHT UNDERWEAR.

Men's and Boys' Natural Wool Underwear, worth 50c., our price 25c. Men's Natural Wool Camel Hair, worth \$1.00, our price 50c. Men's strictly all-wool underwear in all colors, Drab, Pearl, Cream, Brown, Yellow and Red @ \$1.90 a suit, that cannot be matched in the County for the money.

Stylish Fall Suits for Boys.

Our exhibit of Boys' and Children's Dress Clothing is the most thorough and fascinating line in the county. All the new artistic creations in Boys' Clothing, trimmed and made up in the perfect manner that has made our Boys' Dress Suits so popular. Prices will suit everybody. 65c., \$1, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, \$2, 2.50, \$3, 3.50, \$4, 4.50 and \$5.00.



A single glance at the qualities will convince you that the prices cannot be matched in the county.

All Double Breasted square cut.

Over 3,000 pair Boys' Knee Pants 25c. upward. Some all wool Blue and Black Cheviot, Double Seat and Double Knee, only 50c.

For Dressy Fall and Winter Trousers call at our store and get prices. We are confident that we can suit you both in price and quality. We give you your choice of elegant patterns, in a splendid variety of light and dark Greys, neat stripes and mixtures.

Fall Headwear.

Men's Fine Stiff Hats in black and every new style @ \$1.00.

Men's Fancy Black and Brown Stiff Hats of every new style, in quality that you cannot equal for \$2.00. Our price \$1.50. Then we have a big line of Fedoras at prices to suit all: 60c., 80c., \$1.00, 1.50 and 2.00.

The largest line of Men's and Boys' Winter Caps in town. Best grade of Plush, in College shape, 50c. Also Golfs in Cheviots.

FANCY DRESS GLOVES.

Lined and Unlined, Inseam and Overseam, Jersey, Knit and Undressed Kid of all colors, 25c., 50c., 70c., \$1.00 and \$1.50.

Heavy Working Gloves.

Lined and Unlined. Asbestos, Tan, Horse Hide, Calf-skin and Buckskin, 25c., 35c., 50c., 70c., \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Follow the Crowds and Call at Our Store and be convinced that Our Prices are Below All Others.

MILLIRENS,

Reynoldsville, Penn'a.