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## REWARD \$100.00 WHAT IS FRUIT LAND WORTH? \$100.00

THE ARROW LAKE ORCHARDS will pay the sum of \$100.00, to

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KOOTENAY FRUIT LANDS have produced over \$1000.00 worth of

THE ARROW LAKE DISTRICT within 20 miles of Burton City, NORTH or SOUTH DOES NOT REQUIRE IRRIGATION IN THE DRIEST

THE CLIMATE OF THE ARROW LAKE DISTRICT IS MORE FAVORABLE FOR FRUIT GROWING (generally speaking) THAN any other PART OF B C

THE SHIPPING FACILITIES ARE GOOD.
THE MARKET IS GOOD, AND THE AREA OF FRUIT LANDS IN
. IS SO LIMITED, COMPARED WITH THE MARKET, THAT THERE IS NO DANGER OF OVER-PRODUCTION.

> THE ARROW LAKE ORCHARDS M. FREEMAN, General Agent. Lethbridge, Alberta.



In Washington, IMPROVED FRUIT LAND brings from \$500 to \$1500 per acre.

We sell better lands unimproved at \$100 to \$125 per acre, according to location.

You can make a good living and pay for planting and cultivating your orchard, by growing garden truck between the trees.

OR

You can have your land improved to a six-year-old fruit bearing orchard, for \$300 to \$325 per acre. We have experienced orchardists to do this work, and charge \$200 per acre for same, which includes clearing, cultivating, supplying and planting two-year-old trees (your selection) and the subsequent care of same for four years.

Do these prices appear high to you? An Apple Orchard in full bearing, yields from 500 to 2000 boxes per acre, and nets the grower from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per box, hence if fruit land will yield a profit of even \$500.00 per acre, that profit is equal to ten per cent. on \$5000.00 or ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX PER CENT. on \$300, the actual cost price.

How many of the best farms in other countries are netting the owners such profits annually on the price they actually paid for the land? We invite comparisons. Do a little figuring for yourself.

The climate of THE ARROW LAKE DISTRICT is admirably adapted to the growth of vegetation. The winters are so short and mild, that semi-tropical fruits, figs for example, can be successfully grown.

The soils of this valley are a combination of volcanic ash, sand from the disintegration of igneous rocks, silt from the old lake beds, and humus from the decay of vegetation. They comprise all the elements necessary to plant life, being from two to three hundred feet in depth, and are of inexhaustible fertility.

"FACTS", says the New York Wall Street Journal, "are stubborn things and they won't down." British Columbia possesses lumber resources greater than all the states of the Union, East of the Rocky Mountains. British Columbia is, moreover, now recognized as the orchard of the Empire. It has the soil, the climate and it will have the people.

NOTE: Our contracts provide for twelve months in which to finally select your land.

We improve your property, if you wish it.

Buy your home now while prices are low. They will never be lower and will certainly be higher in a few years.

We do not claim to have the only Fruit Lands in British Columbia, but what we wish to explain is:-

That our lands were personally selected by two old residents of the country, who understood conditions necessary for profitable fruit culture, and who were at the same time familiar with the climate and soil con-

That at the same time our lands were selected they had practically the choice of the country.

That our lands were chosen-for the purpose of fruit-growing, and were

in their opinion, the best obtainable. That due consideration was given to Sections requiring irrigation

and those said not to require it.

That our lands were chosen with a view to irrigation, should it be found necessary, and can be irrigated at a very small expense.

That since that time it has been satisfactorily demonstrated that irrigation is not required.

That transportation facilities and convenience to market were not

That the choosing of land in small isolated tracts where schools and churches could not be maintained, was carefully avoided.

That we believe there are no better fruit lands in British Columbia than we are offering at the present market price.

WE ARE NOT SELLING ON COMMISSION. We own our lands and are interested in satisfying our customers.

Write us for full particulars and literature. THE ARROW LAKE ORCHARDS

he had heard in the Quartier Latin, fancied he recognized the voice also

> " Pour des vins de prix Vendons tous nos livres! C'est peu d'etre gris, Amis, soyons ivres! Bon.

La Faridondaine! Gai. La Faridonde!''

A roar of voices and a clash of glasses followed the refrain. Master Pothier's eyes winked and blinked in sympathy. The old notary stood on sympathy. The old notary stood on tiptoe, with outspread palms, as with ore rotundo he threw in a few notes of his own to fill up the

Philibert cast upon his guide a look of scorn, biting his lip angrily. "Go," said he, "knock at the door—it needs God's thunder to break in upon that infamous orgie. Say that Colonel Philibert brings orders from His Excellency the Governor to the Chevalier Intendant."

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Buy your Blue Stone from THE BIG WESTERN MAIL ORDER HOUSE.

Price, any quantity 6½c. per lb. 400 lb. casks 5½c. per lb.

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WHEN ANSWERING ADVERTISEMENTS MENTION THE ADVOCATE blinded windows, but the splendor of

"And he served with a writ of ejectment! Pardon me! Be not angry, sir," pleaded Pothier sup-plicatingly, "I dare not knock at plicatingly, "I dare not know the door when they are at the the door when they are at the double mass inside. The valets! I devil's mass inside. The valets! I know them all! They would duck me in the brook, or drag me into the hall to make sport for the Phili-stines. And I am not much of a Samson, your Honor. I could not pull the Chateau down upon their heads—I wish I could!"

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Master Pothier's fears did not appear ill-grounded to Philibert as a fresh burst of drunken uproar assailed his ears. "Wait my return," said he, "I will knock on the door myself." He tried it at last, and to his surprise found it unlatched; he pushed it open, no servitor appearing to admit him. Colonel Philibert went boldly in. A blaze of light almost dazzled his eyes. The Chateau most dazzled his eyes. The Chateau was lit up with lamps and candelabra in every part. The bright rays of the sun beat in vain for admittance upon the closed doors and