suitable land can be secured throughout the various parts of the district at prices ranging from \$30 to \$100 per acre. As a general rule it is better to commence by clearing sufficient land to put in strawberries and small fruits, so as to ensure an early revenue, and then gradually to clear and improve the remainder for orchard purposes. Clearing can, however, be done by contract or by day labor. It may be broadly stated that with a capital of \$2,000 to \$2,500, twenty acres of good land can be cleared and planted with fruit trees and strawberries and other small fruits, and that this amount of land is sufficient for an ordinary family, and should afford a good and sufficient income to live well upon.

Vegetables of all kinds, tomatoes, melons, etc., as well as timothy and clover, yield excellent crops.

The annual exhibitions of the Nelson Agricultural Society for the past four years have been highly attractive and have evidenced the success of fruit growing and gardening. At the last exhibition the cup, costing some \$600, appropriately made from silver mined, smelted and refined in Canada, donated by Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, was an object of great interest.

The Governor-General's recent purchase of a tract of land on Kootenay Lake evinces his interest in the fruit growing capabilities of the district.

The Fruit Growers' Association does important work in advising and assisting new comers.



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ON KOOTENAY LARE.

O the Tourist and the Traveller the climate and scenery of Nelson and its neighborhood offer particular

attractions. Everywhere throughout the district can be seen towering peaks, reaching far above the snowlevel, many awaiting the foot of the intrepid mountain climber, while glittering glaciers,



ON THE KOOTENAY RIVER.

torrent streams and waterfalls of surpassing charm,



with peaceful and fertile valleys on the shores of the many be autiful lakes and riversmake up a scenic whole that has well earned for

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