

THE ESTATE COMMANDS the entrance to the Moyea Pass, in the Selkirk Mountains, through which the Crow's Nest Railway must pass to the Kootenay Lake, and it forms the centre of a rich mining and timber district, having within a radius of eighteen miles the following well-known Gold mines from which several millions in gold have been extracted in past years.

Wild Horse Creek, Bull River, Moyea River, Weaver Creek, Perry Creek, Nigger Creek, Palmers Bar, etc.

There are also new discoveries of leads of argentiferous Galena and of Copper, shewing immense bodies of ore which only await the completion of the railway to be worked.

These mines, together with the extensive mining camps on Kootenay Lake, afford a ready market for all the beef, pork, etc., etc., which can be grown in the valley.

In estimating the values of land by estates in the neighbourhood which have been sold during the past few years, it may be mentioned that three have been disposed of. The first consisted of 800 ACRES about fifteen miles from Cranbrook, and was sold by Mr. Fernie to Mr. Humphries for \$13,500. ANOTHER PROPERTY, twelve miles from Cranbrook, and consisting of 160 ACRES was sold two years ago to Mr. Fenwick for \$3,500.

FOUR YEARS ago \$21,000 was paid for 640 ACRES WHICH NOW FORMS PART OF THE CRANBROOK ESTATE.

AN AGREEMENT, which can be seen at the office of the Company, has been entered into with the CROW'S NEST AND KOOTENAY LAKE RAILWAY COMPANY to the effect that in consideration of a grant of 1,500 acres in alternate blocks with the Cranbrook and Fort Steele Estates and Townsite Company, (Limited Liability), on the bank of the navigable Kootenay River, THE CROW'S NEST AND KOOTENAY LAKE RAILWAY COMPANY agree: "That on the building of the railway as granted by their charter, the sectional station and workshops of said railway, together with the attendant town, shall be upon the Companies property on the site indicated on the plan."

It will be seen that the townsite has a very extensive water frontage. THE CROW'S NEST AND KOOTENAY LAKE RAILWAY COMPANY has obtained charters from the Provincial Government together with a Land Grant of 20,000 ACRES PER MILE of railway, and a ROYALTY OF FIVE PER CENT. ON ALL PRECIOUS METALS, (Placer mines excepted), which may be taken out of the land grant. The railway charters together with all information can be seen at the office of Messrs Bouchier, Croft & Mallette, Government Street, Victoria.

There are no promoters shares and the only charge upon the Company will be the expenses of bringing it out, about 10 per cent. on the \$135,000, and \$118,000 for the purchase of the properties.

The vendors themselves take a large number of shares in the Company.

It is proposed to let the General Stores, the Hotel and Government offices on the property and to do the same with the ranch and farm, also to sell all the stores, cattle, horses, lumber, machinery, etc., etc., and to pay a dividend out of the proceeds, which it is fully believed will amount to 5 per cent. interest on the capital of \$135,000 for some years independently of the sale of any Town lots. It is also proposed to sell a certain number of Town and acreage lots, and it is confidently expected that A RETURN OF OVER TWENTY TO THIRTY PER CENT. WILL BE OBTAINED THE FIRST YEAR.

THE TOWN of Cranbrook will be the CENTRE OF A RICH MINING, LUMBERING and AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT. It will also be ON A LINE OF RAILWAY and ON THE BANK OF A FINE, NAVIGABLE RIVER, which cuts the line of railway at right angle, thus OPENING UP A VAST EXTENT OF COUNTRY of which THE TOWN WILL BE THE CENTRE OF TRADE. It has a mineral spring in the near neighborhood, a most salubrious climate, exquisite scenery, while beautiful rides, drives and boating excursions lay at the choice of tourists, or of the residents of the town. With all these advantages it cannot fail to become of great importance in the near future.