

must be prepared for hard work. The rivers are swift, calling for great skill with the canoe, but men may be had for this purpose. With regard to ammunition, it is cheaper to buy in Vancouver, where anything needed may be secured. In adopting this course, considerable difficulty with customs and transportation is prevented. Undoubtedly, the best fishing in the world is obtained in the Province. The Squamish river is one of the best places. I have seen 79 pounds of trout (Dolly Varden and brook) taken in an hour and a quarter. In five casts I have seen 17 pounds of trout taken."

It is a province abounding with such animals that is the grandest field for sport. The immense branching antlers and clean, blood-like head of the elk, the handsome skin of the sneaking panther, the scimitar-shaped claws of the formidable grizzly, the big-horned head of the mountain sheep,—these are attractive ornaments for a sportsman's home, and some of the most valuable trophies to be obtained anywhere. And when your holiday is finished, you return reluctantly home with strengthened muscles, brightened eyes, and rejuvenated vitality, with the keenest enjoyment of a hunting holiday spent in British Columbia.

The open seasons for game in British Columbia are as follows :

HUNTING.

BIG GAME.—Moose (bull), September 1st to December 31st. Females and calves under one year, protected.

Deer, September 1st to December 14th. Fawn under one year, protected.

Caribou, September 1st to December 31st. Females and calves, protected at all times.

Elk (wapiti), September 1st to December 31st. Females and calves under two years, protected.

Mountain goat and sheep, September 1st to December 14th. Mountain sheep.—Ewes and lambs protected.