Working Expenses.

On an average crop of 1,200 fbs. to the acre the annual expense, including everything, such as cultivation, depreciation of poles, picking, drying and baling may be estimated at 12 cents per fb., or in round figures \$150 an acre. If the owner had his own horses and put in his own work as well, a very large portion of this would not be incurred, but taking it as it stands it would represent \$1,500 on a garden of 10 acres.

Profit.

Again, to take the average crop of 1,200 fbs. and an average price of 25 cents per fb., we get \$300 per acre—\$3,000 for our 10 acres—leaving a net profit of \$1,500, which represents interest at about $42\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the capital outlay. It may be added that this estimate of weight per acre, and also of the price, have often been greatly exceeded, and it is certain that with constant attention and careful cultivation a very heavy crop of hops of a quality that would rank higher than those grown in Washington State can be raised in the District of Saanich, in the Island of Vancouver.

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