

The settler who desires spring-fed trout streams, beautiful lakes teeming with salmon and all varieties of trout in his vicinity, and his farm set in a park-like country of entrancing beauty, cannot get away from such conditions anywhere along the route of the Grand Trunk Pacific in British Columbia.

Nature provided perfectly for the content and prosperity of the settler in Central British Columbia along the route of the Grand Trunk Pacific. A rich black or chocolate loam from three to six feet and more deep proclaims the fertility of the soil. Splendid climatic conditions, with long summer days of over twenty hours' light in the growing season, maturing crops in record time, and the tempering breeze from the snowcapped distant mountains, insure comfort. The winters are much shorter than in the prairie provinces of Canada or the Northwestern States, and not nearly as cold.

The Skeena River section of the Grand Trunk Pacific route has much bench-land areas suited to dairying and fruit farming, a ready market for the products being found in Prince Rupert, Alaska, Yukon and Prairie Provinces of Western Canada. The Kitsumkalum and Copper River valleys are sufficiently far inland to escape the extremely moist conditions common to the entire North Pacific Coast, and have demonstrated already their ability to grow all the hardy and more delicate fruits in wonderful yields, size, quality and unrivaled flavor. Land which can now be pre-empted in these valleys practically free will be worth from \$50 to \$200 an acre within a comparatively short time, as attractive and unlimited markets are available for the products of the entire areas.

Of the products which British Columbia is eminently fitted to raise, the Province is forced to purchase the following from outside markets in the average year to meet the home demand:

Butter	\$1,179,511.00
Condensed Milk and Cream.....	165,000.00
Eggs	720,000.00
Cheese	333,342.00
Poultry	1,500,000.00
Meats	2,936,366.00
Fruits and products.....	800,000.00
Yearly value.....	\$7,634,219.00

Little anxiety need be felt that the home market will not absorb all such products grown in the Province for years to come, and that the competition will not be keen nor prices low. Aside from this there is an unlimited market outside the Province for any possible surplus; the settler located on the Grand Trunk Pacific having access under favored conditions to the domestic and world's markets.

There is no section of America where the man who will work will find it so easy to make a good living at the same time that he is preparing his lands as in the territory served by the Grand Trunk Pacific and its Coast Steamship lines in British Columbia. From the eastern border of the Province to the Queen Charlotte Islands great activity is taking place in timber manufacture, mining, fisheries and all branches of commercial life, and ample occupation in any of these branches of industry will be found near at hand, no matter where he settles in that territory.