

are very great. I have seen socks made by settlers from the hair which never wore out, but got so hard after a few years they usually threw them away; also blankets made from the hair by New Mexican Indians which held water, and were said to be old family heirlooms—anyway, they were as hard as a board.

My goats have been persistently shot by poachers from the other side, only four miles off, and that with eagles has kept them from increasing to any great extent.

This country is all suitable for sheep or goats, but it would be throwing money away to put any on most parts of the Mainland or Vancouver Island at present on account of the wolves and panthers. On the small outlying islands it would be a good enough venture. You hear people say the settlers should drive up their stock at night and put them in an enclosure. Any one who knows anything about the matter knows that is not practicable in the backwoods. Any bounty paid on a wolf or panther, even if it were \$50 a head, is clear profit to the whole country.

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