

probability is that the C.P.R. will lay four miles of track, and put another scow on Dog Lake, which will land the cars at Okanagan Falls. Two parties of C.P.R. officials passed over this route this summer, and although they do not give much information about their business, it is safe to say they are planning the extension of



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their line through the valley. The Crow's Nest line is built, and running as far as Midway, and construction work is being done towards the Falls. When it is completed the line will run to Princeton, to connect with the main line to Vancouver. At present connection is made from Penticton to the Falls, and on to Oroville daily by stage. The N.P.R.R. is also built in from the American side, close to the Falls, and is crossing over to Vancouver.

MARKETS.

At all the towns there is a fruit-growers' association, where the fruit is taken in and shipped to the wholesale dealers. The secretary attends to the sales and shipping. We sometimes have the question asked, "Where will we get a market for the fruit when all the fruit land is cultivated?" In reply, we would say that there is not more than 5 per cent. of the area of B.C. suitable for fruit growing, and there is not more than 2 per cent. of that near enough to transportation to be utilized; on the other hand we have all the mining and lumbering people of B.C., as well as the three provinces east of us, to supply with fruit, and as the great plains from the Rockies to Port Arthur, and from the boundary to the Yukon fills up with settlers, they all look to B.C. for their fruit. Some say fruit in Ontario brings a poor