
WINDERMERE DISTRICT

systems of irrigation on their two districts, which have been subdivided, the first being known as Wilmer district, comprising about 15,000 acres, of which between 4,000 and 5,000 acres have been under irrigation since 1913. The second is known as the Lake district, comprising about 8,000 acres, of which some 2,500 acres are irrigable lands. These systems cost the Company in the neighbourhood of a million dollars to instal. The water is procured from creeks and the distribution is by gravity ; it is of such a nature that the required quantity of water may be delivered to the highest known point on any of the lots. The proper use of the water secures the proper growth of the farm produce. The Lake district also contains a sub-division known as Invermere Heights, which surrounds the townsite of Invermere. The lots in Invermere Heights are divided into areas of from one and a half to five acres in extent.

TAXATION.—All taxes throughout the district are levied only and solely by the Provincial Government, and are spent for the laudable purposes of building roads, enforcing law and order, and for educational purposes. On all such sub-divided lands owned or sold by the Company the general tax assessment, at present, is one per cent. on a low valuation, while on lands within a school district there is a further very small tax for school purposes.

SETTLEMENT.—The people who have located within the Windermere District are almost entirely from Great Britain or from other parts of the British Empire, thus making the social conditions very congenial.
