

MANGEL SEED GROWING

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Harvesting Mangel Seed—Experimental Farm, Ottawa.

POSSIBILITIES OF SEED RAISING.

Judging from results of experiments, there are large areas in the Dominion where soil and climatic conditions are suitable for profitable mangel seed growing. At the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, and also at several Branch Farms and Stations in Eastern Canada and British Columbia, quite satisfactory crops of mangel seed of excellent quality were harvested last year. On the whole, experience gained so far by the Experimental Farms' system, tends to show that wherever a satisfactory crop of mangel roots can be grown a satisfactory crop of mangel seed may also be raised.

ADVANTAGES OF SEED RAISING.

There are many reasons why the farmer who uses mangels for his stock should make it a point to grow his own seed.

By producing the seed on his own farm the grower makes himself independent of the uncertainty of the market, and will be sure of getting good seed and seed of the variety he desires.

In addition, home-grown seed, according to the experience of seed-growing farmers, produces larger and surer crops of mangels than seed obtained through the ordinary channels of commerce. Seed growing for home use therefore not only means saving money on the seed, but also increased yields of roots.

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